Comment from the Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC) on the "Proposal to Transition the Stewardship of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Functions from the

U.S. Commerce Department's
National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to the
Global Multistakeholder Community"

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The Root Server System Advisory Committee, composed of the root server operators and others closely involved in the operations of the DNS root, has reviewed the ICG plan and observed the ICANN community process that has led to it. We note that it has incorporated the results of lengthy, public processes by the groups who rely upon the IANA functions, as assembled and reviewed by the ICG.

We have deliberately left the details to others, as the process has been focused on oversight and accountability, and our role is operational.

We do want to be on the record at this time as supporting the "Proposal to Transition the Stewardship of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Functions from the U.S. Commerce Department's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to the Global Multistakeholder Community" (https://www.ianacg.org/icg-files/documents/IANA-stewardship-transition-proposal-EN.pdf)

From our operational perspective, we believe the plan is workable and that it will be a positive step to replace US government oversight of the IANA functions with community oversight.

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