



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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Dear Mr. Greg Aaron and associates:

Thank you for your letter of 14 November 2013 regarding registry reports for gTLDs, with respect to e-crime. We appreciate your comments, and we have posted your letter to the ICANN correspondence page at (<http://www.icann.org/en/news/correspondence/aaron-et-al-to-atallah-14nov13-en>).

We appreciate your concern and suggestion that registry reports be made broadly available and accessible, including by means conducive to automated analysis. To this end, as you've noted, ICANN requires registries to submit their monthly report data in Comma-Separated Values (CSV) form. The submitted CSV reports all utilize the same column structure and are saved and hosted by ICANN using location and naming conventions that are intended to help facilitate their automated retrieval and processing. That is, the URIs of transaction reports all take this form: <<http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/reports/coop/coop-transactions-aug13-en.csv>>. Replacing "coop" with the TLD (A-label in the case of an IDN TLD), "aug" with the first three letters of the name of the month in English, and "13" with the last two digits of the year will yield the monthly report of interest for any gTLD. The Registry Functions Activity Report will also be available in a similar manner. Users can program the download of those reports that are of their interest on an ongoing basis.

Although I appreciate that this approach might not be exactly what the APWG had in mind, we've tried to maintain these conventions consistently so consumers of the data can develop applications reliably. Nevertheless, if there exists a strong demand within the community for ICANN to make the data available in alternative formats, we'd be open to the possibility of an alternative approach. In the meantime, if we can be of assistance in helping you utilize the data as it is currently available, please let me know.

I thank you for the work the APWG does and for your input and your participation in ICANN's multi-stakeholder process.

Sincerely,

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