On 12/21/15, 9:46 AM, wrote:

Re: enquiry about enforcement of increased safeguards

Dear Chairman Crocker:

I am President of the Songwriters Guild of America, Inc. (SGA). In reviewing the position taken by SGA and others in the joint letter of opposition filed with ICANN concerning the .Music process dated September 24, 2014, and subsequent related fillings, SGA has taken note of the supplemental filing on April 24, 2015 by ASCAP and BMI concerning their withdrawal from the opposition portion of that prior September 24, 2014 letter due to the promised implementation of Enhanced Safeguards for creators and copyright holders. Other groups have recently sent similar notifications.

In light of such developments, SGA wishes to respectfully inquire of ICANN whether such Enhanced Safeguards can and will be adopted in such a way as to require mandatory acceptance and enforcement as to community applicants in the current process.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this important question, the answer to which will permit SGA to evaluate the current situation from a more broadly informed perspective.

Sincerely,

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