Re: ICANN OCTO RPKI Technical Analysis White Paper

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Dear Goran and Maarten,

I write on behalf of the NRO regarding a recent White Paper from OCTO, “Resource Public Key Infrastructure (RPKI) Technical Analysis”.

The NRO feels strongly that this publication breaches the prior commitment by ICANN to consult the NRO when undertaking work that falls into our sphere of responsibility. While there was a small amount of consultation with individuals during the development of this paper, that process does not meet our expectation of consultation at an organizational level.

We regret that you did not invite us to collaborate in its development, and further did not at least invite the NRO to formally to review and respond prior publication. Note that the NRO has received more than 950 emails this year from ICANN staff and ICANN SO/AC leaders about different issues, most of them not germane to the RIRs – yet ICANN failed to engage us formally in this activity that is central to our mission. I hope you can understand the impossibility for us to explain to our community further lack of coordination with ICANN, particularly given the amount of resources we dedicate to keep track of so many topics.

We have always sought to maintain a long-term, supportive relationship with ICANN, but doing so requires a similar interest on ICANN’s part which we feel is lacking at this time.

Thank you

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