



Addressing the global Internet

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Dear Chris, Chuck and Cheryl,

Thank you for your letter of 25 March 2010, providing comments on the establishment of a DNS-CERT. I appreciate the engagement of the community on this issue and I agree that the formation of a DNS-CERT constitutes a major undertaking for ICANN. As you know, the requirement to do so was identified in the ICANN 2010-2013 Strategic Plan approved by the Board.

Substantial comment has been received in response to the strategic initiatives paper and DNS-CERT business case which was posted for public comment in February, to ensure we began to engage the community with the DNS-CERT concept as quickly as possible. A number of issues have been raised through that process which need to be addressed, including your suggestion of the formation of a working group, and we recognize the requirement for the maximum amount of community input in order to mature an effective implementation approach.

In developing the DNS-CERT business case, we have had significant input including with all stakeholders groups named in your letter. As you know, the public comment deadline was extended until 14 April and we are continuing to gather perspectives. A workshop was held on 6-7 April, including participants from the types of organizations identified in your letter, which focused on defining operational requirements and collaborative approaches for a potential DNS-CERT. The findings from the workshop will be published along with the full list of consultations, what we've heard and our analysis of comments by end of April. We further plan to publish a Concept of Operations and updated resource analysis in early May addressing the questions you've raised as basis for continued community consultation.

Thank you again for ensuring that the ccNSO, GNSO and ALAC are engaged on these important issues.

Warmly,



Rod Beckstrom