Subject: Legal Notice of New Temporary Specification - gTLD Registration Data

Dear Registrar,

Please take notice that ICANN has published a new Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. This Temporary Specification establishes temporary requirements to allow ICANN and gTLD registry operators and accredited registrars to continue to comply with existing ICANN contractual requirements and community-developed policies in light of the European Union’s General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

This Temporary Specification was adopted by resolution of the ICANN Board of Directors (ICANN Board) on 17 May 2018, pursuant to the procedures in ICANN’s agreements with Registry Operators and Registrars for establishing Temporary Policies. Registry Operators and Registrars are required to comply with and implement all specifications or policies established by the Board on a temporary basis, if adopted by the Board by a vote of at least two-thirds of its members, so long as the Board reasonably determines that such modifications or amendments are justified and that immediate temporary establishment of a specification or policy on the subject is necessary to maintain the stability or security of Registry Services, Registrar Services, or the DNS. An advisory statement containing a detailed explanation of the ICANN Board’s reasons for adopting this Temporary Specification.

The Temporary Specification includes new or modified requirements that apply to all gTLD Registry Operators and ICANN-accredited Registrars. This Temporary Specification is effective as of 25 May 2018 and may be reaffirmed for successive 90-day periods by the ICANN Board for a total period not to exceed one year from the effective date.

For more about activities that have led to the development of this Temporary Specification, see ICANN’s Data Protection & Privacy page: https://www.icann.org/dataprotectionprivacy

Questions about this Temporary Specification may be directed to globalsupport@icann.org

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