Root Zone Evolution Review Committee (RZERC) Meeting Minutes
28 January 2020 | 19:00 - 20:00 UTC

Attendance
ICANN Board  Kaveh Ranjbar
PTI            Kim Davies
SSAC           Geoff Huston
IETF           Jim Reid
GNSO RySG      Howard Eland
Verisign (RZM) Duane Wessels

Staff          Danielle Rutherford

Apologies      Carlos Martinez (ASO), Brad Verd (RSSAC), Peter Koch (ccNSO)

Action Items from this Teleconference
- Staff to publish approved 6 November 2019 minutes on RZERC’s website.
- RZERC to discuss the signing of root-servers.net as potential work item on the mailing list to come to consensus about whether it should be a formal RZERC work item.
- Staff to distribute the results of the previous topic scoping exercise to the RZERC members.

Call to Order
Duane Wessels called the teleconference to order at 19:00 UTC.

Welcome to Geoff Huston
Duane Wessels welcomed Geoff Huston as the new SSAC appointee to the RZERC.

Roll Call
Danielle Rutherford conducted a roll call.

Agenda Review
There were no amendments to the agenda for this meeting.

Administration
Draft Minutes from 6 November
Duane called for a vote on the draft minutes from the previous teleconference. There were no objections to the minutes and the minutes were approved.
• ACTION ITEM: Staff to publish approved 6 November 2019 minutes on RZERC’s website.

Formally conclude RZERC discussion on if the RZERC will be responding to the current Public Comment on IANA’s Proposal for Future Root Zone KSK Rollovers
Duane formally reviewed the past discussions from 6 November 2019 and on the RZERC mailing list regarding whether or not the RZERC should comment on the ongoing Public Comment for IANA’s Proposal for Future Root Zone KSK Rollovers. The RZERC decided to not make a comment.

RZERC appointment terms
RZERC discussed the member appointment term lengths as determined by the appointing organizations. The RZERC debated whether there was any benefit to returning to the appointing organizations to align term start and end dates to the same dates to ease the logistics of the RZERC Chair selection process. RZERC members proposed amending the operational procedures to provide the flexibility needed in RZERC Chair term length with regard to membership term length as opposed to requesting appointing organizations to align their term calendars.

Ongoing Chair election proceeding
Duane reminded everyone of the ongoing Chair selection process. The nomination period opened on 17 January 2020 and closes on 11 February 2020.

Scheduling placeholder recurring meeting times
Duane proposed resuming a regular schedule of RZERC meetings in 2020 instead of meeting on an ad-hoc basis. Duane reminded RZERC members of an ongoing Doodle poll to select the time and day of the week for a monthly meeting.

Potential Work Items
Signing root-servers.net
The RZERC discussed the possibility of taking on this topic as a formal work item and providing input. Geoff Huston voiced support for taking this item on.

• ACTION ITEM: RZERC to discuss the signing of root-servers.net as potential work item on the mailing list to come to consensus about whether it should be a formal RZERC work item.

ZONE MD Internet Draft
The RZERC discussed the possibility of contributing to Duane’s developing internet draft on a message digest for zones, which would add a new record type to the root zone. Several members voiced agreement for RZERC taking on this topic. During this discussion, Jim Reid recalled a previous scoping exercise RZERC conducted on potential work topics that would fall in or out of scope for RZERC. The timing of RZERC taking on this work item is still to be determined.
• ACTION ITEM: Staff to distribute the results of the previous topic scoping exercise to the RZERC members.

**RSSAC updating its History of the RSS document**
The RZERC discussed a potential work item that stemmed from a discussion within the RSSAC. The RSSAC is updating its history of the root server system document, RSSAC023, and in those discussions determined there were some important historical events related to the contents of the root zone, which were out of scope for RSSAC023. The RSSAC proposed the history of the root zone topics as a possible work item for the RZERC. The RZERC determined this work was not within its scope and it would not be taking up this work item.

**Any Other Business**
*Next teleconference date*
Duane announced the next teleconference will take place on 18 February 2020 at 19:00 UTC.

**Adjournment**
The RZERC concluded the teleconference without objections at 19:41 UTC.