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Subject:    SAC082: SSAC Response to the Request for Advice Relating to the 2012
            New Generic Top Level Domain (gTLD) Round

To:         Avri Doria, Jeff Neuman, and Stephen Coates, Working Group Co-Chairs
            Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group on New gTLD
            Subsequent Procedures

On 13 May 2016, the Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group on New gTLD
Subsequent Procedures requested input from the Supporting Organizations, Advisory
Committees, Stakeholder Groups, and Constituencies seeking assistance in building a
catalog of existing Advice or Statements for Working Group consideration during its
deliberations.

The SSAC thanks the Working Group for this opportunity to provide input.  Per its
Charter,[1] the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) focuses on matters
relating to the security and integrity of the Internet's naming and address allocation
systems. This includes operational matters (e.g., pertaining to the correct and reliable
operation of the root zone publication system), administrative matters (e.g., pertaining to
address allocation and Internet number assignment), and registration matters (e.g.,
pertaining to registry and registrar services). The SSAC engages in threat assessment and
risk analysis of the Internet naming and address allocation services to assess where the
principal threats to stability and security lie, and advises the ICANN community
accordingly. The SSAC has no authority to regulate, enforce, or adjudicate.

Several SSAC reports and advisories consider topics or issues related to new TLDs, such
as SAC045, SAC062, and SAC066 in relation to domain collision issues. You can review
a list of our publications here as an indexed list and also by category.[2] The SSAC is
looking forward to reviewing Working Group documents as the work progresses and also
is prepared to answer specific questions as needed for the Working Group's deliberations.


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[1] See https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac/charter.

[2] See https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac/documents and https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac/documents-by-category.