

**Business Executives  
for National Security**

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Dear Selection Committee:

In response to your 30 June 2016 call for volunteers for the Second Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the DNS (SSR2) Review Team, please consider my candidacy. I would regard it as an honor and privilege to support this important and timely review effort.

Since the National Telecommunications and Information Administration announced in March 2014 its intent to transition Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) to the multistakeholder community, Business Executives for National Security (BENS) members have taken a significant interest in the process and progress to that end. Throughout, members' principal consideration has been—and remains—ensuring a secure, stable, and sustainable outcome. But beyond the transition itself and attendant enhancements in ICANN accountability, members' are increasingly interested in broader issues in Internet governance. I have worked closely with members throughout this time, and as a result, can bring a unique and informed perspective to SSR2.

I have significant experience and expertise in security and cybersecurity policy issues. Of the desired skills and experience articulated in the announcement, my strengths include: understanding malware and abuse vectors and mitigations; risk assessment and management; corporate data security and/or business systems; and incident response. Beyond that, I am conversant in the technical terms and concepts necessary to contribute meaningfully the team. Further, I have access to a considerable network of experts who can provide information or assistance should SSR2 require additional views.

With respect to procedure, I have years of experience working in large, diverse groups with varied interests and points of view. Under these conditions, I will work closely with teammates and help identify areas of consensus.

Please note that I have no affiliation with SOs or ACs and wish to be considered as an independent expert. Many thanks in advance for your consideration.

Very Respectfully,

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