ccNSO Council Call
12 August 2008

Attendees

Bart Boswinkel
Lesley Cowley
Chris Disspain
Keith Drazek
Ondrej Filip
Patrick Hosein
Erick Iriarte
Slobodan Markovic
Oscar Moreno
Paulos Nyirenda
Patricio Poblete
Oscar Robles
Gabriella Schittek
Dotty Sparks de Blanc
Peter Van Roste

Apologies

Nashwa Abdelbaki
Mohamed El Bashir
Olivier Guillard
Hiro Hotta
Young-Eum Lee

1) Approval of Minutes and Actions from 16th June 2008 and 25th June 2008

The Chair opened the meeting and asked for comments on the minutes from the 16th and 25th June 2008. No comments were noted.

Gabriella Schittek then ran through the action points from the two last council calls. She explained that action 31-03 ("The Secretariat to draft a resolution for a change to the ccNSO/GAC Working Group structure in time for the next Council call.") had not been fulfilled due to lack of information and referred to her email sent prior to the call.

2) Solution for Administrative Workshop Cairo

The Chair explained that there had been some confusion on who should run a possible administrative workshop. In order to sort out what the best way forward would be, the Participation Working Group was asked to sort out the issue. The Chair therefore asked Lesley to start working on the issue relatively soon.

3) ICANN's Announcement on DNSSEC

The Chair said the item had been put on the agenda more just to make the councillors aware of ICANN's announcement on Domain Name System Vulnerability and the tools released in order to find out whether servers are recursive. He opened the floor for comments.

Patricio Poblete said that he was confused by the heading of the agenda item, as the main issue in the announcement was not dealing with DNSSEC, but with vulnerability.

Bart Boswinkel explained that a few weeks before the actual vulnerability became public, a DNSSEC notification was posted, where the vulnerability was mentioned, saying that an implementation of DNSSEC would help solving the problem. Therefore, the two items were linked.

The Chair agreed that although the items were linked, they should not be merged.

Patricio asked whether ICANN has made any progress on making recursive servers non-recursive.

Bart replied he did not know, but suggested to invite Kim Davies to join the following Council call to speak on the issue as well as at the Cairo meeting.

Action 32-01
Bart Boswinkel to ask Kim Davies to join the nect Council call to speak on vulnerability

Action 32-02
Bart Boswinkel to ask Kim Davies to join the ccNSO meeting in Cairo to speak on vulnerability.

The Chair also thought that it would be helpful to have a briefing paper on what the current status of DNSSEC in the root is.

Action 32-03
The ccNSO Secretariat to write a briefing paper on the current status of DNSSEC in the root

Keith Dazek suggested that in addition to receiving an update from Kim Davies, some technical experts from various registries and groups should be invited as well to give updates to the membership.

Action 32-04
Keith Drazek to cooperate with the ccNSO Secretariat in finding speakers on Vulnerability for the Cairo meeting.

Action 32-05
The ccNSO Secretariat to come up with a draft programme on Vulnerabiliy for Cairo within the next days.

4) Appointment of an Official ccNSO Liaison to the GNSO Council

The Chair said that he thought it would be sensible to have a liaison to the gNSO, in the same way the ccNSO has to the ALAC. The challenge is that as the two meetings take place on the same time, the liaison would not be able to attend the ccNSO meetings. The ccNSO would therefore need to ask for volunteers amongst its members.

Bart Boswinkel pointed out that basing on the ccNSO guidelines, the first step is to formalise the observership by a writing a letter. The second step would then be a call for volunteers amongst the membership. The council then appoints the liaison for one year.

Action 32-06
The ccNSO Secretariat to draft a letter, according to the bylaws, for the establishment of a gNSO observership.

5) ccNSO/GNSO Council Meeting in Cairo

The Chair asked the Councillors for their input on whether they think the ccNSO/gNSO council meetings, which had occured in the past two meetings, should continue.

There was general support for this.

The Chair pointed out that the meetings should preferrably take place on a Monday, if possible.

Action 32-07
The ccNSO Secretariat to contact the gNSO Secretariat in order to find out whether Monday is possible for future ccNSO/gNSO Council meetings.

6) Reconstitution of ccNSO-GAC Working Group

The Chair reminded the group that it was agreed in Paris that the GAC Working Group was to be reconstituted. The GAC Chair, Janis Karklins, is working on finding GAC members interested in joining the group. One of the issues that need to be discussed is whether the number of people on the group should be increased, from currently five from each side. Historically, it has been proved that it is hard to get all five members together at one time, which has stalled the work. The Chair suggested to first talk to the GAC Chair to find out what the GAC feels about increasing the numbers. Once this has been done, a Working Group will be set up to work on an agenda so that a meaningful dialogue can be held with the GAC in Cairo.

Action 32-08
The ccNSO Secretariat to contact Donna Austin (ICANN Staff liaison to GAC) to find out what the GAC wants in respect to the number of liaisons

The Chair then added that during the last meetings a fair amount of liaison has been going on with the GAC regarding IDNs. ccNSO representatives were invited to join their meetings in order to contribute to the discussions. The general feeling was that this was ueseful.

7) IANA Software Testing

The Chair reminded the Council that during the council meeting in Paris, Olivier Guillard had commented that the IANA software testing had been stopped. Following that, the Council had tasked the Chair to write a letter to IANA saying the ccNSO was not happy about the situation. The Chair explained he had not fulfilled the action, as he had subsequently spoken to both Olivier and Kim Davies in Paris and it seemed that some misunderstanding may have occured on the subject. He had then asked Olivier and Kim to discuss the issue and said he would like Olivier to report back to the council on the matter during the next call.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc asked what the impression was, basing on the discussions with Kim Davies.

The Chair said that he would much rather have Olivier explaining the situation and suggested he would ask Olivier to send a note to the Council on the matter prior to the next Council call.

Action 32-09
The Chair to ask Olivier Guillard to send out an explanatory note on the IANA Software testing to the Council prior to the next council call.

8) Working Group Update:

IANA Working Group

As the Working Group Chair was not present, no update could be given.

GAC Working Group

Nothing to report.

Joint ccNSO/GAC IDN Working Group

The working group has been shut down and the email list has been archived.

Action 32-10
The Secretariat to amdend the Working Group list, so that it does not include the joint ccNSO/GAC IDN Working Group any longer.

Participation Working Group

Lesley Cowley reported that the participation survey report has gone to the smaller task group for comments. The main group will then also have a look at it. The group will then come up with recommendations by around the end of September.

Processes Working Group

Dotty Sparks de Blanc reminded the group that all proposals were accepted.

Bart Boswinkel added that the group still needs to deal with how to structure input to ICANN's Strategic and Operational Processes. He suggested to put that on the agenda for the Cairo meeting. Before that, the group would have another conference call on the matter. He also offered to write a first draft.

Action 32-11
Bart Boswinkel to write a first draft on how to deliver input into ICANN's Strategic and Operational Processes.

Tech Working Group
The Chair reported there had been another successful Tech meeting in Paris. He also said he would try to get the Working Group Chair, Eberhard Lisse, to conduct a small survey on how the group is doing, what can be improved, topics to be covered etc. in time for Cairo.

9) Next Steps Anti-Phishing

Gabriella Schittek explained that according to the phishing survey results there was a general desire from the community that the ccNSO should take action on Anti-phishing issues. She therefore asked the council for suggestions on next steps on the matter.

The Chair suggested to put together another anti-phishing session in Cairo, asking people involved, such as Rod Rasmussen (Anti-Phishing Working Group) to come and speak on the issue.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc asked what the ccNSO actually is able to do.

The Chair said that this could be discussed in Cairo as well.

Action 32-12
The ccNSO Secretariat to come up with a suggestion on what shape the discussions on anti-phishing shall have in Cairo.

10) Domain Name Front Running

Gabriella Schittek said the council would have to decide whether to take any action on domain name front running. She referred to her briefing paper and explained that it derived from an action from the previous council meeting. She reminded that the whole issue had started with a question from an ICANN Board member on what the ccNSO's position is on the subject.

Lesley Cowley suggested to have a session in Cairo where ccTLDs could report on their situation in respect of front running.

The Chair said he would also follow up with the Steve Crocker and Dave Piscitello and ask for an update on the SSAC position.

Action 32-13
The Chair to send a note to Steve Crocker and Dave Piscitello to ask for the SSAC position on domain name front running.

11) AOB

Bart Boswinkel said that ICANN's Fallover Working Group, which includes five ccTLDs, will publish its final report in October and suggested putting the subject on the Cairo agenda. He also suggested to ask Patrick Jones to come and report and Roelof Meijer to chair the session, as he was actively participating in the work of the group.

Action 32-14
Bart Boswinkel to contact Patrick Jones and Roelof Meijer in order to set up a Fallover session during the Cairo meeting.

The group was then reminded that the next ccNSO Council call will take place on the 16th September 2008.

The Chair then closed the meeting.