Dear ccNSO Council,

Please find attached my most recent report on RZERC and an addendum.

Best regards,
Peter

The work of RZERC is made transparent by means of the website above and the publicly accessible mailing list archive at http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/rzerc/.

Since the previous report (2017-08-23), RZERC has conducted two teleconferences on 2017-09-25 and 2017-10-16. The approved minutes of the September meeting are available at https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.icann.org_uploads_iana-5Fwork-5Fsession-5Fasset_attachment_717_150817671755825-5FSeptember-5F2017-5FRZERC-5FMeeting-5FMinutes.pdf&d=DwICAg&c=FmY1u3PJp6wrcrwll3mSVzgfkbPSS6sJms7xcl4I5cM&r=GKmFfRII4Fu5R2rvaGzd2eqNVicqdIuGnamKqfKpp0hrH9ye_zt36pZ_ZlAuB8NR&m=JUBQx8XbFC_40TCAWl2h1m16b_wfSRVw2fOZePBLhGI&s=rYfHq4Ctp81yBL4eBaHmjr-snkntYwabFjtmyhySk7Q&e=.

The committee has published the "RZERC Operational Procedures" document at https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.icann.org_iana-5Frzerc-5Fdocs_255-2Drzerc-2Doperational-2Dprocedure-2Dv-2Dfinal&d=DwICAg&c=FmY1u3PJp6wrcrwll3mSVzgfkbPSS6sJms7xcl4I5cM&r=GKmFfRII4Fu5R2rvaGzd2eqNVicqdIuGnamKqfKpp0hrH9ye_zt36pZ_ZlAuB8NR&m=JUBQx8XbFC_40TCAWl2h1m16b_wfSRVw2fOZePBLhGI&s=eLsiZzgMaJ1-73-xWnnsv0IcP2OHyUxPTQ6IS5oaplE&e=.

This covers the description of the role of the chair (replacing an earlier separate RZERC document) and specifies the types of RZERC meetings (regular, executive, and public) as well as the committee decision making.

The committee has also started to discuss internally a longer list of potential topics around the root zone and root zone distribution. The purpose of this exercise is to gain committee members' perspectives of topics that fall or not fall within the scope of RZERC in a "temperature of the room" sense.

No items of concern (as per charter and mission) have been brought to the committee yet.

For the Abu Dhabi ICANN meeting, two RZERC meetings have been scheduled:
- 29 OCT 2017 09:00 "regular meeting" (closed, with transcripts and minutes made public afterwards)
- 01 NOV 2017 14:00 "public meeting" (open)

The RZERC report to the ccNSO on 31 OCT will address the procedures document and the discussion described above.

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PS (not part of the report)

While several committees might address a variety of aspects that touch upon the root zone and the DNS in general, a topic might also be considered to escape because of the committee's charter or mission. One reason might be that an issue is considered "operational" or "technical" and thus falls outside the scope of RZERC. Examples that have been discussed within the ccNSO are:
- the technical checks performed by the DNS (e.g., propagation in the TLD NS-RRSet)
- the technical checks performed by the RZM (e.g., KSK rollover)
- the crypto algorithm eligibility (DS records)

The RZERC charter contains a "current and future development" clause that also include looking into:

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