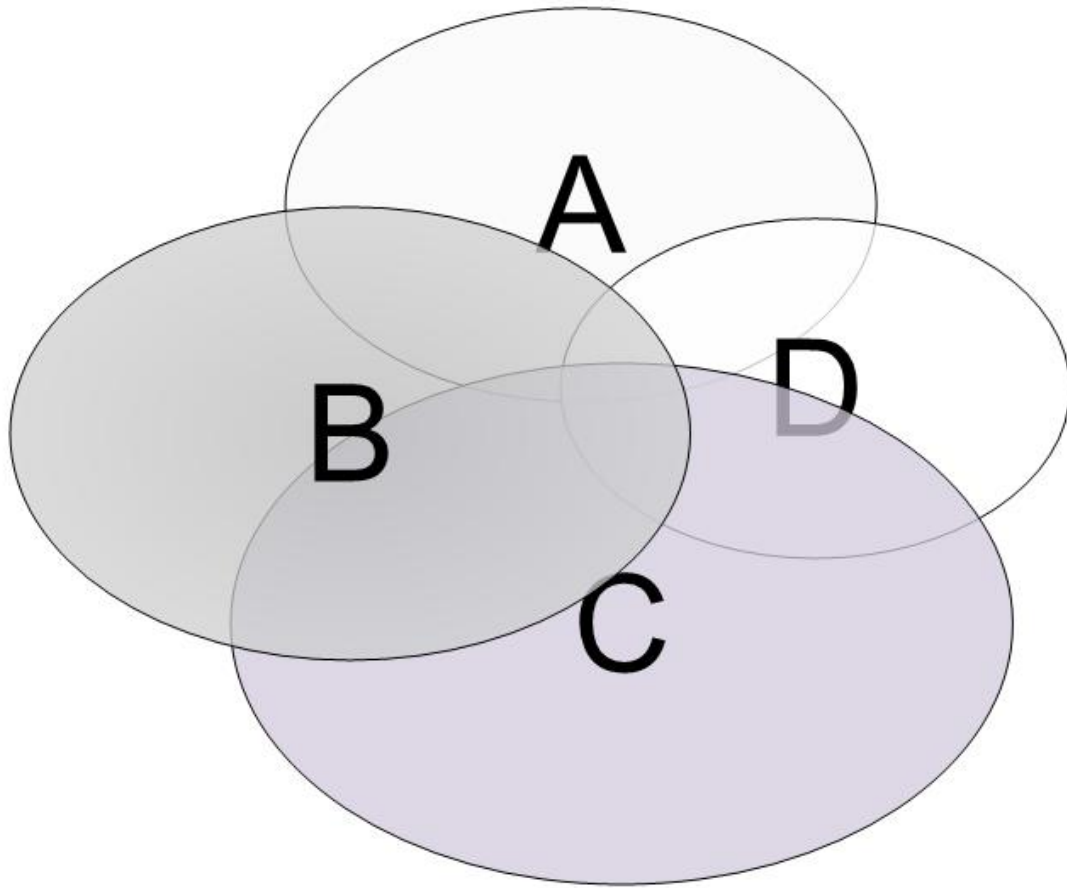


Follow-Up to the June 2010 KnujOn Internet Security Report:
Unresolved Issues & Unanswered Questions



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On June 21, 2010 KnujOn.com issued an Audit of the gTLD Registrars and a discussion of related security issues (http://www.knujon.com/knujon_audit0610.pdf). During the Brussels ICANN meeting we were repeatedly promised, by several ICANN staff members, a written response to the report and vigorous investigation of all the points presented. Five months later neither has occurred.

We have made a decision at this time not to restate the entire June, 2010 report or to list new information about violations documented since that time. Rather, we have sent a request to ICANN compliance to respond to 42 specific items from our June, 2010 report which would be the simplest to verify and handle. These items are:

(1) Six Registrars without apparent policy postings, a potential violation of RAA 3.7.5.6 and/or 3.7.5.5; **(2) Twenty Registrars** without an operational Web-based WHOIS, a potential violation of RAA 3.3.1; **(3) Eleven Registrars** without a posted contact address, a potential violation of 2009 RAA 3.16; And **(4) Five terminated Registrars** still claiming to be ICANN-Accredited.

All of these issues are directly related to the Internet user/consumer experience. Allowing conditions to endure without challenge erodes trust. The domain consumer needs to know that the service they used is truly an ICANN-Accredited Registrar who follows abides by their contract and the Internet user needs to know the infrastructure is legitimate when abuses occur. Registrars themselves should be concerned that some of their competitors are not being held to the same standards.

We have respectfully submitted this to ICANN compliance.

-Garth Bruen, CEO KnujOn.com, LLC
December 8, 2010

1. Registrars with apparent or obvious Contact Address on their website

"3.16 Registrar shall provide on its web site its accurate contact details including a valid email and mailing address (<http://www.icann.org/en/registrars/ra-agreement-21may09-en.htm>)."

Active Registrar, Inc. (activeregistrar.com)
COMPANA LLC (budgetnames.com)
Directi Internet Solutions Pvt. (publicdomainregistry.com)
EVERYONES INTERNET LTD. (resellone.net)
NICCO LTD. (nicco.com)
RESELLER SERVICES INC. (ResellServ.com)
UK2 GROUP LTD. (uk2group.com)
VOLUSION, INC. (volusion.com)
YNOT DOMAINS CORP (myorderbox.com)

ONLINENIC INC. (onlinenic.com): KnujOn was promised by ICANN compliance staff that OnLineNIC would be held to the conditions of their contract but have been allowed to sign on to the new 2009 RAA and have still not posted their contact address on their website.

DOTALLIANCE INC (dotalliance.com): Recently claimed to be a reseller and not a Registrar. ICANN staff confirmed they are a Registrar and are in non-compliance with the RAA.

2. Registrars without Apparent Functioning Web-Based WHOIS

"3.3.1 At its expense, Registrar shall provide an interactive web page and a port 43 Whois service providing free public query-based access to up-to-date (i.e., updated at least daily) data concerning all active Registered Names sponsored by Registrar for each TLD in which it is accredited."

EnetRegistry, Inc. (enetregistry.net): Website does not resolve

New Great Domains, Inc.(newgreatdomains.com): No content

VocalSpace LLC (DesktopDomainer.com): "Login Screen" Only

Premium Registrations Sweden AB (premiumregistrations.com): Login screen only

Alfena, LLC (alfena.com): Links to Domaintools.com – a paid WHOIS service

The Planet Internet Services, Inc. (theplanet.com): Website now redirects to SoftLayer. We could not find any documentation at ICANN indicating there was a transfer or purchase of the accreditation.

The following Registrars have a "Domain Look-up" service which only reveals whether or not the domain is available, this is not a WHOIS service:

Add2Net Inc. (lunarpages.com)
Bottle Domains, Inc. (bottledomains.com.au)
Digitrad France (digitrad.com)
DomainSpa LLC (domainspa.com)
NetRegistry Pty Ltd. (netregistry.com)
Nominalia Internet S.L. (nominalia.com)
Sedo.com LLC (sedo.com)

We could not locate the web-based WHOIS engine for these Registrars

Porting Access B.V. (portingxs.com)
VentureDomains, Inc. (upc360.com)
Verelink, Inc. (verelink.com)
Hosting.com, Inc. (Hosting.com)
Zog Media, Inc. (zognames.com)

Domainz Limited (domainz.com): Returns: "Your request could not be completed", see below

Registry Record from InterNIC:

Whois Server Version 2.0

Domain names in the .com and .net domains can now be registered with many different competing registrars. Go to <http://www.internic.net> for detailed information.

Domain Name: PARTNERSMCD.COM
Registrar: DOMAINZ LIMITED
Whois Server: whois.domainz.com
Referral URL: <http://www.domainz.com>
Name Server: DNS.POOL.COM
Name Server: DNS2.POOL.COM
Status: ok
Updated Date: 24-oct-2010
Creation Date: 23-oct-2008
Expiration Date: 23-oct-2011

>>> Last update of whois database: Tue, 07 Dec 2010 20:12:26 UTC <<<

Domainz Web WHOIS Results:

[home](#) > [help](#) > [sitemap](#)

D@MAINZ

a Melbourne IT company

[DOMAIN NAMES](#) | [WEB HOSTING](#) | [WEBSITE DESIGN](#) | [EMAIL SERVICES](#) | [ONLINE MARKETING](#) | [SHAREPOINT](#) | [HELP](#) | [DOMAIN TOOLS](#)

Who is search

Whois Result for partnersmcd.com @


Your request could not be completed

Find the owner of a Domain Name

WWW.

TERMS OF USE OF DOMAINZ WHOIS

Autica Domain Services Inc. (autica.com): Only thin WHOIS, see below:

HOMEABOUT AUTICAOUR GUARANTEESDATACENTER TOURCONTACT

OUR PLANS:whois lookup

RESELLER PLANS

VPS PLANS

DEDICATED PLANS

Search the WHOIS database to find out the registration information for

[Querying whois.verisign-grs.com]
[whois.verisign-grs.com]

Whois Server Version 2.0

Domain names in the .com and .net domains can now be registered with many different competing registrars. Go to <http://www.internic.net> for detailed information.

Domain Name: RAPETV.COM
Registrar: AUTICA DOMAIN SERVICES, INC.
Whois Server: whois.autica.com
Referral URL: <http://www.autica.com>
Name Server: NS1.SEDOPARKING.COM
Name Server: NS2.SEDOPARKING.COM
Status: ok
Updated Date: 23-oct-2010
Creation Date: 23-oct-2010
Expiration Date: 23-oct-2011

>>> Last update of whois database: Wed, 08 Dec 2010 16:03:31 UTC <<<

3. Registrars Not Displaying Fees and Deletion Policies

“3.7.5.5 If Registrar operates a website for domain name registration or renewal, details of Registrar’s deletion and auto-renewal policies must be clearly displayed on the website.”

“3.7.5.6 If Registrar operates a website for domain registration or renewal, it should state, both at the time of registration and in a clear place on its website, any fee charged for the recovery of a domain name during the Redemption Grace Period.”

1 More Name, LLC (1morename.myorderbox.com): Site Loads password-protected control panel

Domain Services Rotterdam BV (tellus.com): Only reseller information available

Premium Registrations Sweden AB (premiumregistrations.com): Policies not posted, “member login”

UltraRPM, Inc.(metapredict.com): No conspicuous terms link

VentureDomains, Inc. (upc360.com): Policies not posted

Ynot Domains Corp. (ynotdomains.myorderbox.com): Site Loads password-protected control panel

4. Terminated Registrars Still Selling gTLD Domains and/or Claiming Accreditation

Hu Yi Global Information Resources Holding Company (8hy.hk) was terminated by ICANN June 10, 2009 (<http://www.icann.org/correspondence/burnette-to-ho-10jun09.pdf>) still claims ICANN accreditation, displays ICANN Registrar icon, and sells gTLDs.



AfterGen, Inc. dba JumpingDot (jumpingdot.com) was terminated by ICANN June 10, 2009 (<http://www.icann.org/correspondence/burnette-to-bourov-10jun09.pdf>) but is still claiming ICANN accreditation. We could not determine if they actually sell gTLDs.



Naugus Limited LLC (naugus.com) – Issued letter of non-renewal October 9, 2009 (<http://www.icann.org/correspondence/burnette-to-goodwin-09oct09-en.pdf>). Still claims to be a Registrar under the name “DomainWar.net” which also claims ICANN accreditation.

Naugus.com

We now manage all domains registered under the DomainWar.net registrar and are in the process of having it renamed to reflect our ownership.

We are working on our customer access portal and hope to have it live soon.

If you need assistance with a domain name we manage, please email your account rep directly or contact customer support at: support (at) naugus (dot) com

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Www.domainwar.net, Inc

About Us

You have reached the www.domainwar.net, we are an ICANN Accredited. Our registrar specializes in acquiring domains for Club Drop customers, you can manage your domains in your control panel at eNom.com.

Lead Networks Domains Pvt. Ltd. (leadnetworks.com) was issued a letter of Non-Renewal (<http://www.icann.org/correspondence/burnette-to-malik-14jul09-en.pdf>) on July 14, 2009.



Broadspire Inc. (broadspire.com) has not been listed in the directory for some time and while there is no termination document there is a note on an ICANN page that Broadspire is “NO LONGER ACCREDITED”¹. However, this company still sells gTLD and claims ICANN accreditation.

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