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Dr. Paul Twomey
President, ICANN

SUBJ: Cyber Conflict Studies Association Comments on ICANN Single Letter Domains

Dear Dr. Twomey,

The Cyber Conflict Studies Association (CCSA) is a U.S.-based non-profit organization focused on understanding and establishing dialogue regarding emerging issues of conflict in cyberspace, particularly the Internet. We understand the role ICANN has played in ensuring the unique identifier system for the Internet.   We are glad to see ICANN put issues of security and stability at the core of its strategic planning agenda and we would like to take a moment of your time to address the establishment of single letter domains.

The CCSA believes that the establishment of single letter domains will expand the opportunities for ICANN to use its resources to pursue greater security in and among the TLD and registrar communities. CCSA also believes that ICANN must continue its efforts to deal with inappropriate uses of domain names, combat growing risks from botnets, and foster a dialogue on security and stability across its broad stakeholder base.

The Cyber Conflict Studies Association appreciates the opportunity to provide input into the ICANN's strategic issues. We hope to be a more active participant in the dialogue in Internet security, stability and conflict resolution and continue to see ICANN as a future partner.

Sincerely,

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