

Comments on ATRT2 Review Report

By Internet Society of China

Internet Society of China (ISC) appreciates ATRT2's efforts and the suggestions raised in the Review Report. As Internet has played an increasingly important role in global economic society, to ensure a secure, stable, and unified global Internet becomes the basic need of the Internet communities. On this regard, the ICANN's transparency and accountability should be the highly priority of all the Internet affairs. Thus, ISC would like to make some comments as following:

1. About the implementation of suggestions

ICANN is trying best to improve its transparency and accountability that some progress was achieved after two rounds of review. However, ISC noticed the implementation process moved very slowly in some parts of the review suggestion and did not take any effects. Thus, ISC hopes the ATRT2 could raise stricter requirement to ICANN, who is proposed to assign specific department and chair person responsible for each suggestion. To be accountable, they should report the progress to

the ICANN meeting and ICANN communities.

2. About Internet resource management

ISC suggested the Internet resource management be put into the review process of ATRT2, which could be founded in the questionnaire in June 2003 (<http://forum.icann.org/lists/comments-atrt2-02apr13/msg00026.html>). Unfortunately, it was not accepted by ATRT2.

ISC reiterates our great concern on Internet resource management, especially on the issue of root server. As we all knew that root server is one of the important infrastructures for Internet. However, there is not any root server deployed in China, who is of more than 600 million Internet users, the largest Internet population in the world. The lack of root server will bring huge potential risks to their secure use of Internet. ISC hopes ICANN could make further consideration from the perspectives of Internet user and regions when deploying the root server in the future, for example, deploying one in China. At the same time, the issue of root server shall also be stressed in transparency and accountability review as well as its improvement and suggestions.

3. About language

In recent years, ICANN has made great efforts on language

support to its work and documents translation, enabling more engagement and participation from multi-stakeholders with various languages background. However, ISC found that only a small number of documents had Chinese version, as well as very few meeting with Chinese interpretation service. With the growth of new gTLD, there must be more engagement came from Chinese communities. To promote their active participation, ISC calls for more Chinese translation services on documents and meetings be offered by ICANN.