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Subject: SSAC2020-12: Formation of Work Party on Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling

To: Paul Hoffman, ICANN Office of the CTO

The SSAC would like to thank the ICANN Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) for their recent publication, OCTO-15: Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling.<sup>1</sup> The SSAC recognizes that OCTO is requesting public feedback on OCTO-15 and other issues related to a root zone early warning system. However, the SSAC wishes to explore this issue in more depth than the public comment period will permit, and so will not be able to meet the deadline set forth in the ICANN public comment proceeding.<sup>2</sup>

Instead, the SSAC is forming a work party to fully consider OCTO-15 and related issues, including, but not limited to the recommendations provided in SAC046 and SAC100, and hopes to issue a report on the subject in early 2021. The purpose of this Correspondence is to inform OCTO, the ICANN Board and the Community that the SSAC is in the process of forming a work party to investigate these issues.

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<sup>1</sup> See OCTO-15: Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling, <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/octo-015-01oct20-en.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> See Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling, <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/recommendations-early-warning-root-scaling-2020-10-05-en>