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Subject: SAC096: SSAC Comment on the CCWG-Accountability-WS2 Draft Framework of Interpretation for Human Rights

On 05 May 2017, the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) opened a public comment forum to obtain input on the Cross Community Working Group (CCWG)-Accountability Work Stream 2 draft Framework of Interpretation for Human Rights.¹

Per its Charter,² the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) focuses on matters relating to the security and integrity of the Internet's naming and address allocation systems. This includes operational matters (e.g., pertaining to the correct and reliable operation of the root zone publication system), administrative matters (e.g., pertaining to address allocation and Internet number assignment), and registration matters (e.g., pertaining to registry and registrar services). The SSAC engages in threat assessment and risk analysis of the Internet naming and address allocation services to assess where the principal threats to stability and security lie, and advises the ICANN community accordingly. The SSAC has no authority to regulate, enforce, or adjudicate.

The SSAC wishes to thank the Human Rights Sub-Group for its enormous effort over a significant period of time and for this excellent report. The SSAC provided previous input to the Human Rights Sub-Group in SAC092: SSAC Input to the Cross Community Working Group on Accountability Work Stream 2, Human Rights³ and thanks the CCWG for this opportunity to provide further input.

Since there are no associated security and stability aspects, the SSAC is pleased to offer its support for the draft Framework of Interpretation for Human Rights. The SSAC notes that, as a Chartering Organization of the CCWG-Accountability, formal SSAC approval of the final version of the Framework of Interpretation for Human Rights will be required in due course.

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¹ See <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/foi-hr-2017-05-05-en>

² See <https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac/charter>

³ See <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/sac-092-en.pdf>