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Mr. Akram Atallah
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Re: Amendment to .BANK Registry-Registrar Agreement

Dear Mr. Atallah,

fTLD Registry Services, LLC (fTLD) is submitting the attached proposed amendments to its .BANK Registry-Registrar Agreement (RRA) consistent with ICANN's Procedure for Consideration of Proposed Amendments to gTLD Registry-Registrar Agreements. The amended .BANK RRA will bring it in line with the .INSURANCE RRA that is now available to all ICANN-accredited Registrars and has been executed by several fTLD registrars that support .BANK. fTLD's long-term goal is to have one RRA for any TLD it operates.

The purposes of the proposed amendments are outlined below in Exhibit A.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Craig S. Schwartz'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Craig Schwartz
Managing Director

Exhibit A – Summary of Material Changes from current .BANK RRA

Section/Title	Change(s) (in brief)	Purpose
Section 2.4 Changes to System.	Registry Operator to provide 30 calendar days' notice prior to implementation of materials changes to the Registry System, except for changes to EPP that retain a 90 calendar days' notice.	Imposes obligation on Registrars to timely implement material changes to either the Verisign or Symantec systems.
Section 3.2 Registrar Responsibility for Customer Support.	Registrar agrees to establish a .BANK branded webpage, which will be included on Registry Operator's approved registrar list on its website.	Ensures clear policies and requirements are made available to Registrant. Registry Operator will not display any Registrar provided URL until they have been provided credentials to access the production Registry System. This will ensure only those Registrars who are fTLD-approved and ready to support .BANK are posted on fTLD's website.
Section 3.5 Data Submission Requirements.	Registrar must submit complete and accurate data for each Registered Name Holder when they submit a pending create request. Temporary/alias data is not acceptable.	Reiterates fTLD will reject non-compliant registrations.
Section 3.13. Registrant Compliance. & Section 3.14. Compliance Actions.	New sections. 3.13. Requires Registrars to notify fTLD if they are aware of any third party violating our Policies or Requirements, and Registrars shall not contribute to such violations. 3.14. Requires Registrar to take all necessary actions to perform their obligations under the Agreement.	Additional compliance obligations of Registrar; aligns with best practices of other registries.
Section 3.20. Bulk Verification Services.	Registrar to submit multiple domain name requests for a single Registrant on a given day in one order.	Saves time in the verification process for Registrants, Symantec and fTLD.
Section 3.21. Registration Term.	Registrations must be made for the full term for which the Registered Name Holder has paid.	Protects Registrants so they get what they paid for.
Section 3.22. Premium Registration Pricing Notification.	Registrars must clearly and conspicuously disclose that non-standard domains have non-uniform registration and renewal pricing.	Reiterates ICANN requirement for transparent disclosure re: premium pricing.
Section 4.1.1.	Adds a second exception when Registry Operator will refund the Registration Fees to the Registrar.	Clarifies the circumstances where Registrars receive refunds.
Exhibit B Registration Fees	Added: Number 4: Premium Domain-Name Initial Registration Fee, 5: Premium Domain-Name Renewal Fee, and 6: Premium Domain-Name Transfer.	Establishes Initial Registration Fee of \$2,500 per year for a Premium Domain Name and \$2,500 fee for renewal (per year). Also, there is a per domain transfer fee, from one Registrar to another, of

		\$2,500 for Premium Domain Name registrations.
Exhibit B Registration Fees	<p>Modified the Registrant-Verification Fee to the Registration-Verification Fee and increased the Fee from \$100 to \$125 to cover costs associated with fTLD-rejected or auto-deleted registrations.</p> <p>Added Number 8: Non-Compliant Bulk Verification Request Fee of \$125 to cover costs associated with processing multiple orders with Symantec for the same registrant on a given day.</p>	<p>Aligns Verification Fee to cover fTLD real costs.</p> <p>Number 8 adds a fee for Registrar failure to submit bulk domain requests per Section 3.20.</p>