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Seeking Community Input on DNS Abuse

Graeme Bunton
DNS Abuse Institute

Dear Graeme,

As you may be aware, the GNSO Council has formed a small team of interested Council members to consider what policy efforts, if any, the GNSO Council should consider undertaking to support the efforts already underway in the different parts of the community to tackle DNS abuse. The small team is aware of the DNS Abuse Institute's recent efforts in this area. Although the small team understands from the Institute's mission statement that its focus is on being as a resource to help the community identify and report DNS Abuse, establish best practices, fund research on DNS Abuse, and share data statements, the small team would be interested to know the following:

1. Does the Institute have any expectations with regards to possible next steps the GNSO Council could or should undertake in the context of policy development?
2. If yes, could you please provide further details on what specific problem policy development in particular would be expected to address as well as expected outcomes if policy development would be undertaken, taking into account the remit of ICANN and more specifically GNSO policy development in this context?

We would appreciate if you could provide your feedback by 21 March 2022. The small team is also reaching out to others in the ICANN community with similar questions that are intended to help inform the small team's deliberations and subsequent recommendations to the GNSO Council on whether or not further steps should be taken to initiate policy efforts on this topic. Note, this current exercise is to help determine what elements might be most appropriate specifically for policy making.

Best regards,
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Sebastien Ducos, GNSO Council vice-chair
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