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To Whom It May Concern:

- I am not convinced that ICANN as proposed will be able to handle the task of managing Internet names. The more opinions from factions believing themselves to be "owners" of a process, the less sensible the decisions. Based on abundant evidence from our own internal politics, foolish attempts to satisfy all parties will unavoidably yield complex, unresponsive, and failure-prone processes.
- I strongly believe that so-called "countries that have strained relations with the US" have no place whatsoever in any control of Internet services. The internet is a strategic national resource for many countries, not just the US. I am nationalist enough to believe that the strategic interests of my own country are and must remain paramount. Limit participation! Keep ownership!
- I stand proudly beside members of the US congress who are wary of surrendering power to the international community. They are right! No part of the internet should ever be allowed to become an international bargaining chip in which the US has only one tiny voice amidst a huge international babble of conflicting interests and (possibly dubious, if not actually Machiavellian) motives.
- Members of congress whose views allow them to speak in opposition to the US continuing to maintain control of IANA are wrong. It may be true that internet naming could be funded through international cooperation. Possibly it should be; that said, such funding should not entitle a chair at the table, so to speak. As a taxpayer, I am delighted to find that at least one tiny fragment of my taxes actually supports such a critical national interest.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of these views.

I track, I remember, and I vote!

-- G Louis Roberts