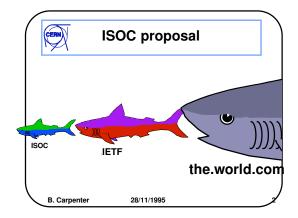


Who's problem is it anyway?

- · FNC say they own it
- · IANA knows they own it
- All CIX members think they know best
- · ISOC offers to steal it
- · ITU is tempted to annex it
- · IETF certainly has many opinions
- · ILTF has it under advisement
- user@sf7gdt.t6yre.foo.com.va.us is confused (did anyone register toys.R.us yet?)
- · do not kid yourself that the IETF can decide

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ISOC proposal

- ISOC determines TLD policies for nonnational TLDs. National TLDs are managed nationally.
- ISOC licenses Internet Name Providers (INPs)
- ISOC provides legal, financial, appeals cover
- IAB acting through IANA defines policy & licensing for ISOC, via open process (e.g. IETF process)
- · IANA implements
- A main goal is choice of INPs for users

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ISOC proposal (cont.)

- Each INP must adhere to IANA/IAB/ISOC policy
- INP license fees support IANA/IAB activity in this area only (including staff support)
- · INPs determine their own user fees
- · INPs and ISOC buy liability insurance
- ISOC runs DNS Arbitration Panel for disputes

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What are the alternatives?

- · do nothing. OK until NSF bails out of .com
- give it to the CIX Association
- give it to the ITU
- give it to some other organisation
- float the IANA as a Bahamas corporation?
- improve the present proposal and give it to the ISOC
- In any case the IETF should work on technical tools to support multiple registries and automated domain name allocation (IMHO)

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