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Subject: Completion of SAC064 Recommendation 3A

ICANN org would like to inform SSAC that we have completed implementation of Recommendation 3A of SAC064:

Recommendation 3: In the context of mitigating name collisions, ICANN should consider the following steps to address search list processing behavior.

- a. Commission additional research studies to further understand the cause of invalid queries to the root zone and the significance of search list processing as a contributor to those queries.

Completion of this recommendation was pending on the completion of the NCAP Discussion Group's work and publication of its Study 2 report. This report was published on 5 April 2024 and sent to SSAC, which published its own analysis, SAC124, "SSAC Advice on Name Collision Analysis", on 1 May 2024. NCAP Study 2 considers causes of invalid queries to the root zone, including in the context of search list processing. ICANN org believes that the comprehensive analysis of name collisions in NCAP Study 2 satisfies SAC064 Recommendation 3A. If there are no concerns from SSAC, ICANN org will close this recommendation in the Action Request Register (ARR) process.