Position Statements

3rd APNIC Meeting

Singapore, Jan '96

Overview

- Background
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Background

- In November, InterNIC instituted a charge on the registration of 3-letter top level domains.
- This generated a small amount of controversy
- This controversy resulted in discussions regarding the resource infrastructure of the Internet

NSF Meeting

- At the end of November, 1995, the US NSF sponsored a meeting to discuss these infrastructure issues
- At the meeting, there was significant discussion, but no resolution
- At the beginning of February, 1996, there will be another meeting sponsored by the CIX and ISOC

Domain Name Issues

- Currently, the InterNIC holds a monopoly on the allocation of domains in the 3 letter TLDs of .NET, .ORG, and .COM.
- APNIC has been asked for its position on the modification of the domain name hierarchy, delegation mechanisms, or any other aspect of domain name infrastructure

Address Allocation Issues

- Currently, there are 3 regional registries established by the IANA
- There has been discussion on the modification of how the address administration infrastructure is operated and maintained.
- What is APNIC’s position?

General Infrastructure Issues

- The current resource infrastructure relies in large part on the office of the IANA
  - » More specifically, the person of Jon Postel
- What will happen when Jon Postel retires?