



Date: 18 June 2020

ICANN Final Determination

Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .symantec

On 12 March 2020, Symantec Corporation notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .symantec Registry Agreement entered into on 04 December 2014. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org consulted with Symantec Corporation to assess whether to transition operation of the .symantec top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 30 April 2020, ICANN org made a preliminary determination that operation of the .symantec TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

1. .symantec qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
2. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

On 30 May 2020, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, no comments were received. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, ICANN org will proceed to terminate the .symantec Registry Agreement by 08 September 2020.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

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