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ICANN Final Determination

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

On 01 August 2019, FCA US LLC. notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .dodge Registry Agreement entered into on 30 July 2015. 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 FCA US LLC. to assess whether to transition operation of the .dodge top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 10 September 2019, ICANN org made a preliminary determination that operation of the .dodge TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

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

On 10 October 2019, 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 .dodge Registry Agreement by 28 January 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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