Simplifying DNS Abuse Reporting

DNS Abuse Institute (DNSAI)

- Created and funded by PIR in service of their not-for-profit mission
- Abuse is complicated, global problem, requires coordination across actors
- Education, collaboration, innovation
- Identify areas of friction and complexity, and move those into the DNSAI





Community Basis for NetBeacon

- SSR2 Recommendation 13.1 Calls for the creation of "a central DNS abuse complaint portal that automatically directs all abuse reports to relevant parties." NetBeacon is directly responsive to this recommendation
- **SSAC SAC15** Calls for the creation of a "Centralized Abuse Reporting Facilitator." NetBeacon is directly responsive to this call
- **CCTRT Final Report, Recommendation 20** Focuses on improved abuse reporting. NetBeacon is consistent with this recommendation



NetBeacon is designed to address two problems

- **Reporting abuse is hard**: technical knowledge, no standards for evidence, no consistent implementation
- **Reports of abuse are brutal:** Duplicative, unevidenced, not your domains/ip/infrastructure, unactionable



A **free** and easy to use site to report abuse, that improves the quality of reports, and reduces barriers to action. It is a centralized abuse reporting tool that:

- · Accepts reports of phishing, malware, botnets, and spam
- Standardizes requirements and format
- Enriches reports
- Distributes automatically





Submit a New Phishing Abuse Report

For icann.org

| Definitions for fields in step 3: Date of Incident Provide the date you visited the web site. | |
|---|---|
| Company the company or institution being targeted by this web site Geographic Location Provide your location at the time of the incident. | |
| 3 Targeted Institution Provide the company or institution being targeted b | y this web site. |
| Provide the company or institution bein Company* | ng targeted by this web site. |
| CONTINUE (INCOMPLETE) BACK S | AVE |
| Email Address Provide the email address that sent the message directly and the sent the sent the message directly and the sent the sent the message directly and the sent the message directly and the sent the message directly and the sent the sen | ecting you to this site (if an email was received). |
| 5 Message Headers and Body Provide the email headers and message body (if an | email was received). |



Other Features

- API for report submission
- API for report consumption
- Embeddable forms



What NetBeacon Isn't

- Not an abuse management tool
- Does not make determinations
- Does not permanently store reports
- Does not provide access to customer/registrant information



To Dos

• Integrate hosting, CDNs, email service providers, and ccTLDs

• Other Harms

- Define report requirements
- Escalation paths
- Reporter Reputation
 - Successful reports
 - Reputational flags



FAQ

- Is it easy for end users?
 - Pretty easy, but more work on UX to come
- Will you publish data?
 - Potentially, but never in a way to discourage adoption
- Closure & Notifications
 - Still up to Registrar/Registry, room for work



Why DNSAI?

- Development of requirements reveals that the necessary processes move quickly beyond ICANN's remit
- Reporting abuse effectively requires working across Registrars, Registries, ccTLDs, hosts, email providers, and content distribution networks
- Most Registrars accept reports for abuse beyond contractual requirements, bifurcating abuse reporting creates confusion
- DNSAI is well supported, agile, and a respected member of the community

Supporting the Work



Clean DNS



ASK

- Visit <u>netbeacon.org</u>, create an account at <u>app.netbeacon.org</u>
- Email <u>graeme@dnsabuseinstitute.org</u> for more information
- Connections with organizations that disrupt DNS Abuse

