Clarification on NRO statement: "NRO Response to ITU Comments on the Management of Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses"

In the NRO response to the ITU Memorandum "ITU and Internet Governance" we said, "The ITU memorandum has proposed a new IPv6 address space distribution process, based solely on national authorities." We understand that some parties have expressed concern that we may have overstated this point and should clarify our position. While we acknowledge that the ITU proposal is not exclusive to national authorities, we still maintain that this does not undermine the issues we have raised in our response to the ITU memorandum. We will shortly post three items to the NRO website regarding this discussion. First, a revised response to the ITU memorandum reflecting the clarification mentioned above; this revised response document will be posted alongside the original NRO document and the original ITU Memorandum. Second, we will post a copy of the ITU response to the NRO statement. Third, as soon as it becomes available to us from the ITU, we will provide pointer links to our statements on the ITU website for the convenience of those who would prefer to view the dialogue on the ITU website.

We thank Houlin Zhao for the comments he has sent regarding the NRO statement "NRO Response to ITU Comments on the Management of Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses". The NRO has read these comments with interest and is looking forward to further discussion with the ITU on these important issues. We are also pleased to accept the invitation to provide tutorial sessions to ITU members. We welcome any further comments or questions so as to promote the open and constructive dialogue to which we are committed.

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