



VIA EMAIL

August 12, 2015

Internet Corporation of Assigned Names & Numbers

Dr. Steve Crocker, Chair, ICANN Board of Directors
Mr. Fadi Chehade, President and CEO
Mr. Akram Atallah, President, Generic Names Division

Re: Comment Opposing DotMusic Limited's CPE Application for .MUSIC

On behalf of United TLD Holdco, Ltd., trading as Rightside Registry, let me express our support for Donuts' comment opposing DotMusic Limited's Community Priority Evaluation (CPE) application for .MUSIC.¹

As the registry operator for .BAND, .DANCE, .VIDEO, .STUDIO and other music and entertainment related new top level domain names that provide artists, musicians, and fans of music with new opportunities to express their passion and love for music and the arts, we believe it is preposterous for DotMusic Limited to claim that there exists a "music community" and pronounce that they represent such a community of members.

As Donuts' correctly observes, music is enjoyed by nearly every human being on earth. DotMusic Limited's attempt to control who can and cannot express their passion for music through a .MUSIC domain name is utterly contrary to what the nature of music is.

We ask that ICANN and the CPE panel take this opposition into account when evaluating DotMusic's application

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Statton Hammock".

Statton Hammock
Vice-President, Business & Legal Affairs
Rightside Group Ltd.

¹ <http://www.donuts.domains/images/pdfs/music-CPE-comment-Aug2015.pdf>