

# **EXHIBIT A**

November 29, 2005

By Telefacsimile (213) 243-2539

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Re: Coalition for ICANN Transparency Inc. v. VeriSign, Inc. et al.

Dear Mr. LeVee:

This is to confirm our discussion today. As I told you, we have learned that ICANN's Mr. Kurt Pritz announced this afternoon at the ICANN meetings in Vancouver, British Columbia that the VeriSign .com Registry Agreement would not be on the ICANN Board of Directors meeting agenda for the end of this week. (That is the first indication that we have had on that, despite efforts our client has made over the past days to determine precisely this fact.) I called to ask whether this announcement meant that you and I could discuss a temporary hold on the litigation, and you told me that your client could offer no assurance about when it would schedule the Board's vote. As I understand it from our discussion, while the ICANN Board has no regular meeting scheduled for the remainder of this year, aside from the meeting this week, a meeting can be called anytime on one-week's notice. Instead of agreeing to assure us that ICANN would not act on the proposed VeriSign contract, your position was that the Board will decide this week on the timing of its final vote.

Since the Board can schedule a meeting to vote on the .com Registry Agreement as early as one week from now, we again request that you assure us that that will not occur.

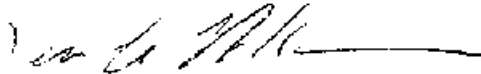
I note with interest that the papers you just filed in court seem to emphasize rather heavily the lack of any imminent action by ICANN. If you have changed your position since we

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spoke and are willing to agree to assure us and the Court that your client will not proceed without providing us with reasonable notice, we can discuss the possibility of withdrawing our application for the temporary restraining order and postponing the preliminary injunction phase of the litigation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesse W. Markham, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jesse W. Markham, Jr.