

ICANN targets May 22 to resume name expansion

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(AP) -- The organization behind a major expansion of Internet address suffixes hopes to resume taking proposals on May 22 following a [technical glitch](#) that shut down its computer system for weeks.

Last month, the [Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers](#) abruptly shut down a system for letting companies and organizations propose new suffixes, after it discovered a [software glitch](#) that exposed some private data. The data in some cases offered clues about which companies were proposing what suffixes, which was supposed to be confidential. ICANN says it has no evidence that anyone intentionally viewed the data.

If it can accept proposals again, the application window will run until May 30.

Up to 1,000 [domain name suffixes](#) - the ".com" part of an Internet address - could be added each year.

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