(Hong Kong Office)

ADMINISTRATIVE PANEL DECISION

Case No. HK-2001389

Complainant:深圳市世纪云芯科技有限公司Respondent:Bitmaintech PTE Ltd

Disputed Domain Name(s):
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1. The Parties and Contested Domain Name

The Complainant is 深圳市世纪云芯科技有限公司 of 深圳市宝安区沙井街道衙边社区岗头工业区 B1 栋综合楼 1 层 5 层, represented by Han Kun Law Offices, of 9/F, Office Tower C1, Oriental Plaza, 1 East Chang An Ave., Beijing, PRC.

The Respondent is Bitmaintech PTE Ltd, of 26 Eng Hoon Street, Singapore, represented by Anthony Siu & Co, Solicitors and Notaries, of Units 11-02-2, 11th Floor, No. 9 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong SAR, PRC.

The domain name at issue is <btc.com>, registered by Respondent with GoDaddy.com, LLC, of 14455 N. Hayden Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, United States of America.

2. Procedural History

The Complaint was filed with the Hong Kong office of the Asian Domain Name Dispute Resolution Centre (the "Centre") in Chinese on August 17, 2020. On August 18, 2020 the Centre transmitted to the Registrar a request for registrar verification in connection with the disputed domain name. On August 19, 2020, the Registrar transmitted to the Centre its verification response disclosing registrant information for the disputed domain name which differed from the named Respondent information in the Complaint. The Centre sent an email communication to the Complainant on August 24, 2020, providing the registrant information disclosed and by the Registrar, and inviting the Complainant to submit an amended Complaint. The Complainant filed an amended Complaint on August 29, 2020.

The Centre has verified that the Complaint satisfies the formal requirements of the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (the "Policy"), the Rules for Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (the "Rules") and the Centre's Supplemental Rules.

In accordance with the Rules, the Centre formally notified the Respondent of the Complaint and the proceeding commenced on September 3, 2020. In accordance with the Rules, the due date for the Response was September 23, 2020.

No Response was received by the Centre within the deadline specified under the Rules.

The Centre appointed Sebastian Hughes as the Panelist in this matter on September 25, 2020. The Panel finds that it was properly constituted and has acted impartially in reaching its conclusion.

On September 25, 2020, the Center received an email communication from the Respondent in Chinese.

On September 29, 2020, the Center received an email communication from 北京比特大陆科 技有限公司 in Chinese, which company claimed to be the controlling shareholder of the Complainant.

On September 29, 2020 and on October 5, 2020, the Center received email communications from the Complainant attaching an application to withdrawal the Complaint, in English and Chinese.

On September 30, 2020, the Centre received an email in reply from the Respondent in English and Chinese.

On October 5, 2020, the Center received a further email communication from 北京比特大陆 科技有限公司, attaching a written statement in English and Chinese.

On October 5, 2020, the Panel received a written communication directly from the Respondent's representative law firm, which communication was copied to the Center, the Complainant and 北京比特大陆科技有限公司.

On October 8, 2020, the Center sent an email communication to the Parties, to notify them that (1) pursuant to Article 8 of the Rules, no Party or anyone acting on its behalf shall have any unilateral communication with the Panel; (2) all communications between a Party and the Panel shall be made to the Center; and (3) it is in the Panel's sole discretion to request further statements or documents from either of the Parties, and the Panel shall determine the admissibility, relevance, materiality and weight of the evidence, in accordance with the Rules.

On October 7, 2020, October 9, 2020 and October 11, 2020, the Center received further email communications from the Complainant's representative law firm.

On October 12, 2020, the Center received a further email communication from the Complainant's representative law firm in English, applying to withdrawal the Complaint.

3. Decision

Rule 17(b) of the Rules provides as follows:

- 17. Settlement or Other Grounds for Termination ...
- (b) If, before the Panel's decision is made, it becomes unnecessary or impossible to continue the administrative proceeding for any reason, the Panel shall terminate the administrative proceeding, unless a Party raises justifiable grounds for objection within a period of time to be determined by the Panel.

In light of the Complainant's unopposed application to withdrawal the Complaint, and in light of the fact the Respondent did not file a Response within the deadline specified under the Rules, the Panel considers it is appropriate to make an order for termination of the proceeding, without prejudice.

For all the foregoing reasons, the Panel orders that the proceeding be terminated forthwith.

Sebastian Hughes Sole Panelist

Dated: October 15, 2020