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Mr. Fadi Chehade
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**Re: Request for Extension to file Comments on
Proposal to Mitigate Name Collision Risks**

Dear Mr. Chehade:

We are writing to request that ICANN extend the current 21 day comment period related to the proposal to mitigate domain name collision issues stemming from the introduction of new gTLDs into the root. This short window of time, unfortunately, does not provide companies, including ISPs and infrastructure providers like Verizon, with enough time to investigate this important issue. We therefore respectfully request ICANN to grant at least an additional 60 or 90 days so that we and many other affected stakeholders can meaningfully participate in this comment filing.

Thank you in advance for your understanding. Please feel free to contact me with questions or to discuss this matter in further detail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah B. Deutsch". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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