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From: Louis Lee
To: Elise Gerich
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Dear Elise,

Members of the ASO Address Council have considered your question, and the result of the discussion is that yes, it is acceptable to form an ASN block from two noncontiguous ranges: one range of 16-bit AS numbers and the other range of 32-bit AS numbers.

Specifically, over a 3-week period, 8 of the 15 ASO AC members discussed the question along with the pros and cons of various ways to interpret the policy with the understanding of the likely way of implementing it in the current situation. Rough consensus is that there is no policy requirement to assign along the 1024 bit boundary. In assigning a range of 16-bit ASNs and the other range of 32-bit ASNs, one AC member even stated that "it is not just the acceptable implementation, but the correct implementation of the policy."

We will finalize our thoughts and close out the topic at our next ASO AC meeting. Please feel free to bring up any questions or concerns you may have during the meeting or at any time prior to it.

Best Regards,
Louie
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