

## Statement

# auDA statement on proposed Change of Control

### 25 January 2021

auDA has been advised of proposed changes to the shareholding of the ultimate holding company of the .au Registry Operator, Afilias Australia Pty Ltd.

Under the Registry Licence Agreement between auDA and Afilias Australia Pty Ltd., any Change of Control of the Registry Operator requires the written consent of auDA.

auDA approved a Change of Control for the Donuts Inc. acquisition of Afilias Inc. in December 2020, informed by a formal due diligence process.

auDA will undertake a subsequent due diligence process to inform its decision regarding consent to the proposed changes.

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#### **About auDA:**

.au Domain Administration Limited (auDA) is a not-for-profit organisation that works with a range of stakeholders including industry, government and the Australian and International community to develop the rules for and administer the .au country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD). The .au ccTLD is a key to part of Australia's digital infrastructure, and auDA is endorsed by the Australian Government, and has an agreement with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), to ensure that the .au domain namespace is a secure, reliable and trusted Australian public asset for all Internet users.