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Hi everyone,

Just heard about your changes to the domain name policies. This is absolutely ridiculous. Everyone in the last 2 years that has registered a domain name is not eligible for the .au domain? This means that hundreds of Aussie startup businesses are going to suffer greatly. Not only do they have to pay more money, they aren't able to have the domains that their business is registered to. Many of our Aussie startups are e-commerce or purely web-based which will hurt them financially, and in the long term. Over the last 2 years, we've had some HUGE Aussie companies do big raises, and most recently Canva became the first Aussie startup to be valued at \$1billion.

The changes you are proposing will hinder many new companies coming through the system and will bring the startup community to a halt.

I urge you to strongly consider your review. I don't believe anything such as this is necessary.

Cheers,
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