Resource Hijacking is an APNIC Policy Violation

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Summary

- APNIC is NOT the routing police
- The proposal is not a matter of routing!
- The proposal is a matter of respecting member's exclusive rights on the allocated resources
 - Other members aren't authorized to use those resources without consent (and policy compliance)
- Operational mistakes are excluded
- Only clearly intentional and continued cases are a policy violation
- RPKI & MANRS are good, but not sufficient



Problem Statement

- This proposal aims to clarify that resource hijacking is not accepted as normal practice within APNIC service region, primarily because it negates the core purpose of running a (Regional Internet) Registry.
- The proposal is not concerned with simple operational mistakes it is intended to address deliberate hijacking events.
- A "hijack" is defined as announcing a prefix to another network without the resource holder's consent, or the act of leasing or selling numbering resources which have exclusive rights of use by third parties (again, without their consent). Hijacking is not an acceptable behavior and there must be consequences for resource hijacking for those that have a service agreement (either directly or indirectly) with APNIC. This proposal aims to clarify that an intentional hijack is indeed a policy violation. 4

Should we self-regulate or do we prefer governments/regulators doing it?

Proposal Submission History

- Proposal officially submitted on July 31st (2019)
- Response from chairs on August 9th:

"Thank you very much for submitting the proposal on Resource Hijacking. This indeed a major problem for Internet Operations and increasing day by day.

But I am afraid that your proposed proposal is beyond the scope of Policy SIG Charter. So after discussions among the Chairs we are rejecting the proposal for APNIC 48 Policy SIG Meeting.

But if you want to bring your thoughts and suggestions on resource hijacking to the APNIC community you can try to present on the subject to any relevant sessions including Policy SIG.

Thank you very much for your continuous effort in policy development process."