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AFRINIC Case Update

Background Information



- In 2020, AFRINIC initiated audits of its members and found that one member's resources were not being used for their original purpose
- After seeking clarification on their status, AFRINIC informed the member that they would begin the process to reclaim the resources
- This member then began litigation against AFRINIC, and a court order froze AFRINIC's bank accounts on 23 July 2021

Developments Since



- A subsequent court order on 15 October 2021 upheld AFRINIC's objection to its assets being frozen, allowing them access to their bank accounts
- Litigation continues
 - AFRINIC lists the cases on its website for transparency:
<https://www.afrinic.net/court-cases>
- AFRINIC 34 took place from 15-18 November
 - <https://meeting.afrinic.net/afrinic-34/>

Joint RIR Stability Fund



- We are committed to supporting the **Joint Internet Number Registry** system, of which AFRINIC is an integral part.
- The Joint RIR Stability Fund is a mechanism through which assistance can be provided
- The RIPE NCC Executive Board has authorised me to act on behalf of the RIPE NCC if AFRINIC submits a request to access this fund:
 - AFRINIC has not made a request so far

Further Reading



- More details published on RIPE Labs:
https://labs.ripe.net/author/hans_petter_holen/supporting-the-internet-number-registry-system/



Questions



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