

From: [Kelsey, John M. \(Fed\)](#)
To: [Alperin-Sheriff, Jacob \(Fed\)](#)
Subject: Re: Are We Waiting Until Monday to Post the Round 2 Candidates?
Date: Monday, January 28, 2019 8:54:08 AM

I agree we need to make the announcement ASAP. We've already delayed long enough.

--John

From: "Alperin-Sheriff, Jacob (Fed)" <jacob.alperin-sheriff@nist.gov>
Date: Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 17:20
To: "Kerman, Sara J. (Fed)" <sara.kerman@nist.gov>, Dustin Moody
(b) (6), "Chen, Lily (Fed)" <lily.chen@nist.gov>
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Subject: Re: Are We Waiting Until Monday to Post the Round 2 Candidates?

Let me give some more explanation about why it's absolutely not okay to wait on releasing the 2nd round candidates on the forum past the close of business tomorrow. With due appreciation for what Lily and Dustin said, we've already "done it right" for the candidates themselves. We CANNOT wait any longer if we still want to have the 2nd workshop colocated with CRYPTO in August 2019 as planned.

1. People will need the heads-up/motivation to finish their tweaks.
2. People who might want to submit need a smaller target list.
3. People will have questions we need to answer and there is a very very real chance of the government shutting down in another 3 weeks for an indefinite period of time.

Frankly I think we should release the whole report tomorrow too and then do WERB retroactively given the extenuating circumstances and the tight deadline we have, but the candidate names at the minimum are an absolute must.

From: "Kerman, Sara J. (Fed)" <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Date: Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 5:14 PM
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Dustin,
FYI - The report still needs to be approved by Lily, Matt and Donna before going to ITL for review – and then finally going to WERB.

Sara

From: Alperin-Sheriff, Jacob (Fed)
Sent: Sunday, January 27, 2019 9:47 AM
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If he insists on WERBing the report, I strongly strongly strongly suggest we release the list of Round 2 candidates with a brief note that the full report will be out soon blah blah government bureaucracy blah blah shutdown blah blah BUILD THE WALL AND CRIME WILL FALL

Daniel has no legs to stand on after not showing up on Wednesday for the protest that was totally fully crucial in ending this horrible shutdown.

From: Dustin Moody (b) (6)
Date: Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 7:58 PM
To: "Alperin-Sheriff, Jacob (Fed)" <jacob.alperin-sheriff@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: Are We Waiting Until Monday to Post the Round 2 Candidates?

We will meet as soon as possible. We do want to announce as quickly as we can, but Andy really wanted the report werb'd. I'm not sure of the status. We should check if anything changed during the last month. I know Daniel apon now says he wants lima in.

Don't worry - it will be as soon as possible. I want no delay also. But we have to make sure we do it right also.

On Sat, Jan 26, 2019, 7:54 PM Alperin-Sheriff, Jacob (Fed) <jacob.alperin-sheriff@nist.gov> wrote:

(I will vehemently object to not doing it by the close of the day on Monday)

—Jacob Alperin-Sheriff