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CADNA Supports the Introduction of the Cybersecurity Act of 2009

WASHINGTON, April 3, 2009—The Coalition Against Domain Name Abuse (CADNA) enthusiastically welcomes the Cybersecurity Act of 2009 as introduced by Senator John D. (Jay) Rockefeller and Senator Olympia Snowe. “This bill signals the United States’ dedication to national security and to the safety and integrity of the Internet,” said Josh Bourne, President of CADNA.

This proposed legislation would create a Cybersecurity Advisory Panel, which would assess trends in cybersecurity, analyze the ongoing efforts of the United States to address cybersecurity, and report to and advise the President on national cybersecurity programs and strategy. The Cybersecurity Act of 2009 also mandates the development of a strategy for implementing a secure domain name addressing system.

“The Internet is constantly evolving, and bad actors are deft at finding new opportunities to exploit the space and its users—because of this, we need national and international policymakers to get involved in policing the space,” said Bourne. “CADNA supports initiatives such as the Cybersecurity Act of 2009, which make the Internet a safer place for the Internet community.”

CADNA is also pleased to see that the Cybersecurity Act of 2009 addresses the relationship between the United States Government (USG) and the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN). The Coalition applauds Senators Rockefeller and Snowe for recognizing the need to clarify the USG’s role in Internet regulation and looks forward to supporting their efforts on this legislation as well as any future Internet security initiatives.

The Coalition Against Domain Name Abuse (CADNA) is a 501(c)(6) nonprofit organization dedicated to ending the systemic domain name abuses that plague the Internet today. For more information, please visit www.cadna.org.