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I do not feel that a 2LD of .bank.nz is necessary.

The premise that this is for added security is not only misguided, but outright false.

The people who are caught out by fraudulent emails will not look at the domain names on links, thus still leaving them vulnerable to these scams. The false sense of security that this 2LD will instill in people will not only bring disrepute to the banking industry, but to Domainz and whomever is chosen as the registrar controlling the moderation.

I do not believe that Domainz is the right organisation to control this as they are not part of the banking industry. Requiring an appropriate organisation, however, will make the process unwieldy, and possibly unmanageable as in the end, the process still has to pass through Domainz's (or any other registrar's) hands.

There are no significant benefits to the banking industry changing to .bank.nz domain names, and the cost will no doubt be subsidised by increasing the fees of banking customers.

This absolutely will not increase security, nor protect people from scams. Anyone who believes it will does not understand the Internet, and severely underestimates the gullibility of the end users.

I strongly oppose the .bank.nz submission.