GlobalSign Root Sale to Google: 2016

In August 2016, GlobalSign sold two of its roots (GS Root R2 and GS Root R4) to Google. GlobalSign EV Certificate issuance was changed, so all new GlobalSign EV Certificates are now issued from GlobalSign Root R3. GlobalSign Root R4 was never used by GlobalSign. There is no impact to any EV Certificates issued under Root R2 – Certificates will continue to be valid and trusted and were issued under the GlobalSign Certification Practice Statement (CPS).

Timeline of GlobalSign events related to the sale of GlobalSign Root R2 and R4 to Google:

- On 11 August 2016, GlobalSign sold and transferred the two roots to Google.
- On October 31, 2016, GlobalSign EV Certificate issuance was changed from the current CA under Root R2 to a new CA under Root R3. There is no impact to any EV Certificates issued under Root R2 by GlobalSign and they will continue to be valid and trusted until they expire. Under the root sale agreement, GlobalSign was permitted to continue using the EV Certificates under Root R2 through the end of 2016 after the transfer of the Roots to Google.
- GlobalSign Root R4 was never used, so there were no GlobalSign products that needed to be updated.

Timeline of Google events based on the Google CPS posted here https://pki.goog/:

- Prior to 11 August 2016, the Roots R2, R4, GTS Root R1, GTS Root R2, GTS Root R3 and GTS Root R4 were operated by GMO GlobalSign, Inc. according to GMO GlobalSign, Inc.'s Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement.
- Between 11 August 2016 and 8 December 2016, Google Inc. operated these Roots according to Google Inc.'s Certification Practice Statement.
- As of 9 December 2016, Google Trust Services LLC operates these Roots under Google Trust Services LLC's Certificate Policy and Certification Practice Statement.

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