

SUBJECT: opt-in please

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<<How has Mozilla rolled out DoH so far?

Mozilla has deployed DoH to Firefox users in the United States, and as an opt-in feature for Firefox users in other regions. We are currently exploring how to expand deployment beyond the United States. Consistent with Mozilla's mission, in countries where we roll out this feature the user is given an explicit choice to accept or decline DoH, with a default-on orientation to protect user privacy and security.>>

opt-in as currently practiced by mozilla corp outside the US is respectful and uncontroversial. "default-on" can be written as "opt-out", and as practiced by mozilla corp inside the US is disrespectful and controversial.

i ask that mozilla corp please change their policy to opt-in, in all matters of corporate operations including the use of DoH by firefox or other apps. this request intends to preclude adding opt-out ("default-on") for DoH outside of the US.

when mozilla corp first adopted their opt-out ("default-on") behaviour for DoH, i objected privately, then publicly. it was with tremendous regret that i later removed all mozilla corp software from my family's computers, and have publicly recommended that others do likewise.

opt-out is unacceptable behaviour. there are no exceptions, but especially not for public benefit nonprofit companies like mozilla corp. as the founder and leader of internet systems corporation (BIND, F-Root) for its first 18 years of life, i long considered mozilla corp a fellow traveler. i preferred that condition and i will never cease to quest for its restoration.

thank you for giving me this opportunity to comment publicly on your DoH plans.

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