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## ASCII TEXT FILE OF HOSTNAMES

The online ASCII text file of official hostnames as defined in RFCs 606 and 608 is now available at OFFICE-1 (Hostaddr. 43 decimal) with pathname <NETINFO>HOSTS.TXT. Currently the file includes hostname, host address, and host status. We hope to be adding additional attributes soon. This file will be maintained by the NIC, and all hosts are encouraged to use these hostnames in their monitors. Changes or additions will be added on a weekly basis. Each network host will be responsible for accessing this file via FTP for new information.

Presently no nicknames are included in this file. However, if any site wants to register one official nickname, it may do so. Nicknames will be added to the <NETINFO>HOSTS.TXT file as they are received, and systems with name-to-address translation are encouraged, but not required, to use them.

Although hostname changes and nicknames are perfectly valid in principle, as a practical consideration we would like to ask hosts to chose their official hostnames carefully, so that changes and nicknames can be kept to a minimum.

If you have changes, additions, corrections, or comments please direct them to:

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If any host wishes to maintain a secondary copy of this database (See RFCs 623 and 625) please let us know.

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