

## INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE REPORT

To the management of the Agence Nationale de Certification Électronique (“ANCE” or “TunTrust”):

### Scope

We have been engaged, in a reasonable assurance engagement, to report on TunTrust management’s [statement](#), that for its Certification Authority (CA) operations at Tunis, Tunisia, throughout the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 30 September 2024 for its CAs as enumerated in [Attachment B](#), TunTrust has:

- disclosed its SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices in its:
  - [TunTrust PKI CP/CPS v5.4, released on 2 September 2024](#)
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including its commitment to provide SSL certificates in conformity with the CA/Browser Forum Requirements on TunTrust website, and provided such services in accordance with its disclosed practices;

- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that:
  - the integrity of keys and SSL certificates it manages is established and protected throughout their lifecycles; and
  - SSL subscriber information is properly authenticated (for the registration activities performed by TunTrust);

in accordance with the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline v2.8](#).

These WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - SSL Baseline do not include principles and criteria that address the Network and Certificate System Security Requirements as set forth by the CA/Browser Forum Baseline Requirements for the Issuance and Management of Publicly-Trusted TLS Server Certificates require the CA to operate controls to adhere to the Network and Certificate System Security Requirements. The WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities - Network Security address this requirement and are reported on under separate cover.

### Certification authority’s responsibilities

TunTrust’s management is responsible for its statement, including the fairness of its presentation, and the provision of its described services in accordance with the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline v2.8.

### Our independence and quality management

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants, which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality, and professional behaviour.

The firm applies International Standard on Quality Management (ISQM) 1, *Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements* and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards, and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

### Practitioner’s responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management’s statement based on our procedures. We conducted our procedures in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000, *Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information*, issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. This standard requires that we plan and perform our procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether, in all material respects, management’s statement is fairly stated, and, accordingly, included:

1. obtaining an understanding of TunTrust's SSL certificate lifecycle management business practices, including its relevant controls over the issuance and revocation of SSL certificates;
2. selectively testing transactions executed in accordance with disclosed SSL certificate lifecycle management practices;
3. testing and evaluating the operating effectiveness of the controls; and
4. performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at TunTrust and their effect on assessments of control risk for subscribers and relying parties are dependent on their interaction with the controls, and other factors present at individual subscriber and relying party locations. We have performed no procedures to evaluate the effectiveness of controls at individual subscriber and relying party locations.

#### **Inherent limitations**

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention of controls. For example, because of their nature, controls may not prevent, or detect unauthorised access to systems and information, or failure to comply with internal and external policies or requirements. Also, the projection to the future of any conclusions based on our findings is subject to the risk that controls may become ineffective.

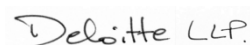
#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, throughout the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 30 September 2024, TunTrust management's statement, as referred to above, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in accordance with the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline v2.8.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of TunTrust's services beyond those covered by the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline v2.8, nor the suitability of any of TunTrust's services for any customer's intended purpose.

#### **Use of the WebTrust seal**

TunTrust's use of the WebTrust for Certification Authorities – SSL Baseline seal constitutes a symbolic representation of the contents of this report, and it is not intended, nor should it be construed, to update this report or provide any additional assurance.



Deloitte LLP  
Chartered Professional Accountants  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
13 December 2024



**ATTACHMENT B**

**LIST OF OV SSL CAs IN-SCOPE**

<b>Root CA</b>
1. TunTrust Root CA
<b>OV SSL Issuing CA</b>
2. TunTrust Services CA

## CA IDENTIFYING INFORMATION FOR IN-SCOPE OV SSL CAs

CA #	Cert #	Subject	Issuer	Serial Number	Key Algorithm	Key Size	Digest Algorithm	Not Before	Not After	Extended Key Usage	EKU [RFC5280]	Subject Key Identifier	SHA256 Fingerprint
1	1	C=TN, O=Agence Nationale de Certification Electronique, CN=TunTrust Root CA	C=TN, O=Agence Nationale de Certification Electronique, CN=TunTrust Root CA	1302D5E2404C92 468616675DB4BB BBB26B3EFC13	rsaEncryption	4096 bits	sha256WithRSA Encryption	26 April 2019 08:57:56	26 April 2044 08:57:56			069A9B1F537DF1 F5A4C8D3863EA1 7359B4F74421	2E44102AB58CB854 19451C8E19D9ACF3 662CAFBC614B6A53 960A30F7D0E2EB41
2	1	C=TN, O=Agence Nationale de Certification Electronique, CN=TunTrust Services CA	C=TN, O=Agence Nationale de Certification Electronique, CN=TunTrust Root CA	601A7C2F6093B7 A673DA5F8C9C88 5F37A75897C0	rsaEncryption	4096 bits	sha256WithRSA Encryption	26 April 2019 10:23:31	26 April 2039 10:23:31	TLS Web Client Authentication, TLS Web Server Authentication	id-kp-clientAuth, id-kp-serverAuth	9F2517CE6F90AB 612FC147A9E02F 99135DFA2339	063627355C941A1C 93FC515CBAEF2F173 D4A646DDEB139CB8 C75C102222994F

## TUNTRUST MANAGEMENT'S STATEMENT

The Agence Nationale de Certification Électronique ("ANCE" or "TunTrust") operates the Certification Authority (CA) services as enumerated in [Attachment B](#), and provides SSL CA services.

The management of TunTrust is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its SSL CA operations, including its SSL CA business practices disclosure on its website <https://www.tuntrust.tn/repository>, SSL key lifecycle management controls, and SSL certificate lifecycle management controls. These controls contain monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies identified.

There are inherent limitations in any controls, including the possibility of human error, and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective controls can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to TunTrust's Certification Authority operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

TunTrust management has assessed its disclosures of its certificate practices and controls over its SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in providing its SSL Certification Authority (CA) services at Tunis, Tunisia, throughout the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 30 September 2024, TunTrust has:

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TunTrust – Agence Nationale de Certification Électronique  
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