Lambda function URLs

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1 PURPOSE S.1

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- Lambda function URLs are a simple way to provide HTTPS endpoints for a Lambda function.
- The incoming HTTPS request is converted to the Lambda event object.
- The **return** object is converted to the HTTPS *response*.

2 EVENT OBJECT S.2

2 Event object

The event object contains the HTTP request info as a Python dictionary.

This has a particular defined structure when called from a Lambda function URL.

2 EVENT OBJECT S.3

2.1 Query string parameters

Query string parameters often supply input to web APIs:

https://api.name/function?name=Peadar&town=Dundalk

These can be accessed by name through

event['queryStringParameters']

3 RETURN OBJECT S.4

3 Return object

The return object must obey a specific structure. As a minimum, the Python dictionary must have:

```
{
    'statusCode': 200,
    'body': body_variable
}
```

Note:

- The statusCode normally is 200 indicating a successful request.
- The body is text returned to the browser.

3 RETURN OBJECT S.5

3.1 Body

The body must be as plain text.

Python dictionary structures should be converted using:

```
body = json.dumps(my_dict)
```

This can be confusing since the outer event and returned objects are converted from/to JSON transparently!