Compression Dictionary Transport

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-httpbis-compression-dictionary/

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Overview

- Set up Dictionary (response header)
  - Use-As-Dictionary: match="/blah", match-dest=("document","iframe"), id="bob"
- Trigger fetch of stand-alone dictionary
  - <link rel=dictionary href="...">
- Browser advertise available dictionary (request headers)
  - Available-Dictionary: :hash:
  - Dictionary-ID: "bob"
  - Accept-Encoding: br-d, zstd-d
- Use Dictionary (response headers)
  - Content-Dictionary: :hash:
  - Content-Encoding: br-d

Chrome 123

New Trial "CompressionDictionaryTransportV2"

IETF Draft 03:

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WHATWG integration

HTML (Dictionary Fetch):

https://github.com/whatwg/html/issues/10162

Fetch (CORS):

https://github.com/whatwg/fetch/issues/1739

Changes

- "Content-Dictionary: <hash>" Response header

- "Dictionary hashes now sf-binary (:base64:)

- "ttl" removed

- "match" ⇨ URLPattern

- Added "match-dest" list

- Added "id", sent in "Dictionary-ID" request header

Open Issues

- [2637](#) - Split into two documents?
  - Split Use-As-Dictionary off?

- [2638](#) - Match should not allow full URLs

- [2640](#) - Reconcile ZSDCH

Questions

- Deployability friction moving to base64 hashes?

- Any benefit to "match" being a list?

Discuss…