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Software Families Survey Protocol

***Qn.1:** Kindly restate the name of your variant we identified in the e-mail

***Qn.2:** At the time when it was decided that the variant be maintained as an independent project, how many contributors that were originally in the mainline concentrated their efforts on the variant?

i Choose one of the following answers

- ☐ 1 developer
- ☐ 2 - 5 developers
- ☐ 6 - 10 developers
- ☐ More than 10 developers

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***Qn.3:** Are the variant and mainline owned by common contributors?

i Choose one of the following answers

- ☐ Yes, they are owned by common contributors
- ☐ No, they are not owned by common contributors

***Qn.4:** What was the motivation of creating the variant of the mainline project?

Please select the answers that that apply. (1 - Not applicable, 5 - Very applicable)

	1	2	3	4	5
Technical The variant was introduced to tar-	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Technical. The variant was introduced to target specific needs or user segments that are not accommodated by the mainline project

Governance disputes. The variant was created because some of the contributors felt that their feedback was not heard or maintainers were accepting patches too slowly in the mainline project.

Legal reasons. The mainline or variant wanted to change its license or change its laws (e.g., regarding encryption) requiring technical changes.

Personal reasons. There were interpersonal disputes and irreconcilable differences of a non-technical nature that led to a rift between various parties.

***Qn.5:** Kindly provide details to clarify your selected answer(s) in Qn.4 above.

***Qn.6:** Do the variant and mainline still discuss the main directions of the project, the new features, etc.?

i Choose one of the following answers

- ☐ Yes, we still collaborate.
- ☐ No, we no longer collaborate.

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***Qn.7:** How often do the maintainers of the variant integrate the following types of changes from the mainline?

Select all that apply. (1 - Never, 5 - Very often)

	1	2	3	4	5
New features	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bug fixes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Security fixes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Documentation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

***Qn.8:** How often do the maintainers of the variant integrate the following types of changes into the mainline?

Select all that apply. (1 - Never, 5 - Very often)

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	1	2	3	4	5
New features	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bug fixes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Security features	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Documentation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

***Qn.9.** How often do the maintainers of the variant employ the following techniques to integrate changes between the mainline and variant?

Select all that apply. (1 - Never, 5 - Very often)

	1	2	3	4	5
Cherry-picking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pull Requests	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
git pull	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Qn.10. If "Others" in Qn.9 above was one of your selected answer, kindly write the details here.

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