SUL finalisation

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Dan Garry
Isn’t it great how global accounts let everyone use the same login across all Wikimedia wikis?
There are over 4.1 million accounts that are not globalised and clash with other accounts, so their login only works on a single wiki.
Oh. That sucks.

Well then, isn’t it great that everyone that has a globalised account can use the same login across all wikis?
There are over 110,000 local accounts that clash with a global account, preventing the global account holder from being truly global.
Oh. That *really* sucks.

Can’t we just flip a switch to fix this problem?
This entire project is an edge case.

Imagine how tricky the edge cases within that get.
The absence of truly globalised accounts complicates development of truly global features.
We’re going to fix it.

The SUL finalisation will make every account a global one.

Woohoo!
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Our three month mission (Q1 Goals)

- Get the finalisation switch ready to flip.
- Have a date for when the switch is flipped.
- Make us only have to flip the switch once.
- Have a communications plan in place so everyone affected knows what’s happening.
Thanks!