

YESIM NAZLAR:

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. Welcome to the ALAC monthly teleconference taking place on Tuesday, the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2020, at 08:00 UTC.

On the call today, from the ALAC members side, we have Abdulkarim Oloyede, Dave Kissondoyal, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Holly Raiche, Justine Chew, Maureen Hilyard, Bastiaan Goslings, Humberto Carrasco, Sylvia Herlein Leite, and Jonathan Zuck.

From our liaisons, we have Barrack Otieno, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, and Yrjo Lansipuro.

On the English channel, we have Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Vernatius Okwu Ezeama, , Jaewon Son, Priyatosh Jana, Hanan Khatib, Yeseul Kim, Amrita Choudhury, Ricardo Holmquist, Anne-Marie Joly-Bachollet, Satish Babu, Sebastien Bachollet, Vanda Scartezini, and Beran Dondoh Gillen.

On the Spanish channel, [inaudible]. [On the ALAC action], we have Sylvia Herlein Leite.

On the French channel, we have Gabriel Bombambo Boseko.

From the staff side, we have Heidi Ullrich, Gisella Gruber, Evin Erdogan, and myself, Yesim Nazlar, present on today's call. I'll also be doing call management for this call.

We have received apologies from Kaili Kan, Leon Sanchez, Judith Hellerstein, Adrian Schmidt, Marita Moll, and Alan Greenberg.

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As you know, we have Spanish and French interpretation provided on today's call. Our Spanish interpreters are Marina and David. Our French interpreters are Aurelie and Camila.

Just a kindly reminder before we start to please state your name before speaking, not only for the transcription but also for the interpretation services as well, please.

As I have mentioned earlier, we do have real-time transcription service provided on today's call. I'm just going to share the link with you hear on the Zoom chat. So please check the link [as well].

Now I would like to leave the floor back to you, Maureen. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you very much, Yesim. Well, welcome, everybody. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to you all. Thank you for being with. It's a pretty good showing tonight: 42 people. That's awesome. It's certainly a different meeting time than usual, which might tend to favor one particular time zone, I must admit, more than others, as is normally the case, of course. Someone always gets a better deal. But I hope that the rest of you are not inconvenienced too greatly, as we're all sharing the pain.

Tonight we've got—well, today—a pretty packed agenda, as we normally do for ALAC meetings. Of course, we'll be starting with a review of our action items from ICANN67. I'm going to get Gisella to do that very shortly. We'll then move on the policy section with Olivier,

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[Evin], and Jonathan. That will be followed by an update from [Alperon]—did I say [Alperon’s] name [inaudible]?—who will give us a status of our ALS and unaffiliated membership.

Then we’ll move on to the [inaudible] section of our agenda. First we’ll have the reports. Now, you know we don’t normally ask for anything on the reports unless there’s something that people want to actually report to the ALAC on. I’ve been having a look through these and just checking that logs are up to date, remembering that we’re not expecting long reports—merely updates on what is significant for At-Large. If there’s anything that we need to be informed about, this is the time to let us know.

Then we’ll go onto the real work, which is of course our ATLAS III and 2020 At-Large activities. The leads will give us a brief overview of what exciting things are happening in their section. From that discussion, we’ll look at what are the priorities and some dates for prioritizing for At-Large in 2020, of course taking into account our current situation and the upheaval in our lives that this event is causing across the world. Everyone is affected in some way.

Then we’ll move to a discussion about the At-Large communications strategy. Now, this has been out for a while. This is your final chance if there is anything that anybody wants to say about the comms strategy. It’s been on a Google Doc for people to comment. We’ll be putting together, from the comments have been made—I know Evin has been working hard on those— ... So that we can get something structured and [vote] because it is a 2020 strategy. So it’s something that we need

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to have in place so that our working groups have got something to use as a guide.

Then we'll move on to what still needs to be done in the At-Large implementation review plan. I have to say that, even now, this is a priority. Things must be completed by the end of May. I suspect that, for some of the items, there's not much more that needs to be done. But whatever. It would be really great if the dashboards were updated so that, when we're writing up the final report, we could easily see what has actually been added. It will make it a whole lot easier for us. So, for those who have responsibilities, I'd really like you to check on what your item requires before we get to it so that you've got something to tell us.

Then we'll have a little discussion about ICANN67 – some key takeaways from ICANN67. We can hear from anyone who'd like to raise a comment about our first experience at a virtual ICANN meeting. I'd like to reference some feedback that we received from the SO/AC chairs. That was presented to the Board and had some very positive comments about At-Large, which [gave me advice].

Then we'll have a look at if we've got any priorities for ICANN68 based on the feedback received – what sort of things we're going to take note of and prioritize for that.

Of course, the final item that we're preparing for, which is also a priority issue will be the 2020 At-Large elections, which we have to start working towards. Heidi will give us a rundown on that.

Then of course there's Any Other Business.

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From all the things that we've got, is there anyone that has anything they'd like to add to our agenda?

I see Sebastien has got his hand up. Sebastien?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Thank you, Maureen. First [inaudible], but the other was the list of the participants. Before you got the agenda, I raised my hand. I just want to be sure that we have all the participants in the French and Spanish channel because I guess, even if I'm not sure, Anne Marie is on the French channel and not on the English channel. Why I say that is not at all for her, but, if we need some statistics one day about the usage of each Spanish and French channel, it's better to have an accurate list of names. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Okay. Well noted. I'm sure Yesim has got that in hand. Thank you very much, Sebastien.

Is there anyone else who has any other comments before we start?

Cool. Thank you very much. Agenda adopted.

The first item is this really interesting action item section from ICANN67. If you'd like to click onto the action items in the agenda itself, you'll get to see what we're talking about.

Gisella?

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GISELLA GRUBER: Maureen, thank you. I hope everyone is doing well. We will run through the action items from ICANN67. We will go through the meeting. I'll just mention if there aren't any just to make sure that this covered everything. We have the AFRALO-AfrICANN meeting. The action item is noted. The At-Large leadership session. The Welcome to ICANN67 [talking points and] policy platform. We did have actually one action item from that with regards to the change in legal structure of PIR to a for-profit company. The CPWG should analyze the BCorp status proposal as a topic so that At-Large can comment on this aspect. This topic will be discussed with the CPWG. That was an action item for Evin. I'm not sure if it has been completed.

EVIN ERDOGDU: I'm sorry. Could you repeat that?

GISELLA GRUBER: Sorry, Evin. That was just on the action item with regards to the change in legal structure of PIR changing to a for-profit company. The CPWG should analyze the BCorp status proposal as a topic so that At-Large can comment on this aspect. This topic will be discussed within CPWG.

EVIN ERDOGDU: That was discussed, I think, last week or the week before on the CPWG. So I should make that as complete. Thank you.

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GISELLA GRUBER: Thank you very much. To Holly, thank you for that. We've actually have already sent [inaudible]. I will tick that as done.

The next session was the policy session on DNS abuse. The action item from there was: Add DNS abuse to ICANN Learn courses being developed for At-Large. Joanna commented that this was in progress. Can be incorporated in ICANN [inaudible] additional resources across the community with greater collaboration by the Capacity-Building Working Group.

This is in progress. I'm not sure if Joanna is on the call. I think she has commented on that. Otherwise, we will make that as completed.

The next action item for At-Large policy session on the tool for holistic contract compliance. We did have an action item for Jamie to follow up on some cases offline.

Jonathan, I don't know if you wish to comment on that one.

JONATHAN ZUCK: I'm trying to remember what those specific things were. I'm drawing a blank right now, so I apologize. I'll go back through the scenarios and remind myself what it was because I'm sure he's probably forgotten this action item as well. Thanks for the reminder. I'll try to go back and discover what it was that he had promised to do.

GISELLA GRUBER: Thank you very much, Jonathan. I'll just send you a short e-mail reminder for that one and then we can kick it off, hopefully.

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JONATHAN ZUCK: That'd be great.

GISELLA GRUBER: On the At-Large session—thank you, Jonathan—on DoH/DoT threats and challenges, we had one outstanding item which was that the At-Large community will continue to discuss DoT and DoH via technical and policy working groups, including the At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group that you know as the CPWG. I'm just waiting to see if Holly has any further information on that. Or I think that we can probably tick it off, as it is no doubt being discussed in the CPWG.

Not seeing any hands up or comments, we will go onto the next one: the joint meeting with the ICANN Board. There was an action item for Jonathan, Maureen, and Evin to finalize the ALAC response to ICANN Board's understanding of the ALAC advice on DNS abuse as an outcome of the ICANN67' virtual meeting.

Apologies if I'm not up to speed on that, but any comments on that one?

JONATHAN ZUCK: Sure. That's mostly done. We are just noodling one remaining question. Then we'll have that done and back to the Board.

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GISELLA GRUBER: Thank you very much, Jonathan. Then we have one action item from the joint ALAC and GAC meeting: The GAC/ALAC to continue discussions on [.pro] intercessionally and through e-mail [to assess] this ongoing action item. We will take that one.

We don't have any further outstanding action items. Thank you very much. Back to you, Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you very much, Gisella. It's really good to have the notes. I very much appreciated that.

Moving on then, let's go to our next item, which is of course the policy issues. Should we go to Olivier first?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Maureen. I would have thought Evin could take us through the presentation. Or is she not on the call?

MAUREEN HILYARD: I thought so, too, but I was told that you were the one who [inaudible]. But it's okay. We'll go to Evin now.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Thank you, Olivier and Maureen. I'll just do a brief overview and then of course Olivier can take it away from there. On the screen right now is a slide deck presenting what is basically on the agenda recently ratified by the ACLAC since the last ALAC monthly meeting. There were several

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statements that the ALAC issued—four, to be exact—and there are executive summaries posted on the agenda; those four being the initial report of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data team [Phase 2], and the second being the Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR-2) review team draft report and ALAC feedback to the PIR public comment proceeding with a note that this was not an ICANN public comment but the PIR held a public comment proceeding on the issue of ISO/PIR, and ALAC submitted eight responses to this public comment proceeding. The statement was also ratified by the ALAC. Finally, there's the draft FY '21-'25 operating and financial plan and draft FY '21 operating plan and budget.

There are currently two public comments for decision, first being the addendum to the initial report of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data team (Phase 2). This is closing on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May. The second is the guidelines for developing reference label generation rules (LGRs) for the second level, Version Two. This closes on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May.

Current statements. ALAC advice, comments, or correspondence that are ongoing with weekly work by the CPWG. The first two listed on the table are going to go to public comment today. The ALAC vote will be launched since the public comment close is today. Those are near completion. First is the draft proposal for NextGen at ICANN Program improvement, and the second is the Name Collision Analysis Project (NCAP) Study 1.

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The next that is being drafted is actually a really cool new collaboration between AFRALO and APRALO. This will be a joint AFRALO-APRALO statement rather than an ALAC statement, per se. That's going to be with regards to the public comment proceeding on the Middle East and Adjoining Countries (MEAC) strategy 2021-2025. There is a drafting team consisting of the chairs of those two RALOs as well as members of those two RALOs.

Next is the revised community travel support guidelines. This ALAC statement is being drafted, as well as the Phase 1 initial report of the review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs Policy Development Process. This one the CPWG will be commenting on this week, trying to get that draft in the works.

Just concluding the policy section, there are a couple additional items just to note on the agenda. I'll also share links in the chat. Please do read the post-ICANN67 policy report, which is detailing all the activity of the fantastic At-Large policy sessions for the virtual meeting this month and also an At-Large geo-names survey, which would be very useful for anyone on this call to take from the At-Large community so that the At-Large community can figure out consensus on this important topic of SubPro.

As noted in the AI section, probably this week we're hoping to have finalization of the ALAC responses to the ICANN Board understanding of the ALAC advice on DNS abuse, which is an outcome of the ICANN67 virtual meeting.

Thanks so much. I'll turn it over to Olivier.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Evin. In fact, I think that Jonathan Zuck is also online. He wasn't 100% sure. So, Jonathan, I'll also invite you to comment on this.

You've gone through the whole list very well indeed. One of the great things with ICANN is that millions and millions of people are stuck at home getting bored around the world. We've got plenty of stuff to focus on. It's always good. Time flies faster when you're busy.

The things that are currently being drafted: The community travel support guidelines and the Phase 1 initial report of the review of all rights protection mechanisms are, I guess, pretty important. The travel support guidelines is pretty much not groundbreaking, but the all rights protection mechanisms in all gTLDs is a very long process. It could have been part of the subsequent procedures because this is work that is needed before the next round of new gTLD application is launched. But it was such a huge topic that it was made a separate topic just focusing on this. We have two volunteers that are drafting things. They've been closely involved with the discussions. So no doubt we'll have some good draft to read through.

I just wanted to emphasize also the geo-names survey because it's just there as a little line. One would think, "Oh, yeah. Geo-names survey. Whatever." Well, it's actually quite fun to do. If you haven't completed it yet, it's just a multiple choice question thing where you're given scenarios about geographic names and how they should be handled in the next round of new gTLDs. Names like .paris and .nyc were handed

out in the previous round, but then .amazon was also handed out in the previous round (or granted in the previous round). Of course, that was quite controversial. So there is likely to be a number of scenarios in the next round that will be controversial. Having a clear policy for this is important [since] the ALAC is interested in your view on that. Thanks for this. It's a little bit like playing a game. Quite interesting. Anyway, that's the thing. Filling the survey is like playing a game, not the new gTLD process, obviously.

That's pretty much it from me. I just wanted to recognize and thank the people that have held the pen and come to the Consolidated Policy Working Group calls every week. It's amazing to see the amount of work that takes place and the discussions that take place with such a varied team of penholders and participants and contributors. I don't think that, in the At-Large history, we've had that many people involved in policy and that deep a discussion every week on each of the public consultations that are taking place.

To those people who say we're looking at too many public consultation, well, we might be doing a lot of work on many public consultations, but it's very difficult for our community to choose what are the important points and what are the less important points. What we're trying to do as a group is focus specifically on end user impacts and basically not move forward on those public consultations that had very little or no end user impact. But, as with everything, there's often an angle which has an end user impact. So it's deemed hard to say, "No, we're not going to comment on that."

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I'm happy to answer questions. Jonathan might have a few words to add, I'm sure.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Sure. Thanks for the pitch for then survey, Olivier. The reason for the survey is that we had a face-to-face meeting about geo-names and it was just all over the place. A little bit like the Myers-Briggs test that we took as part of ATLAS, the purpose of the survey is to trick you into being honest about what your positions are because the Myers-Briggs test, if we were all completely self-aware, would only need to be four questions. Instead, it's 80. This is a similar situation. There's really only two questions, which are, what criteria do we want for reserving names, and what we do want the decision process to look like for permitting exceptions to those reservations? It's literally only two questions that need answering, but the problem is that people don't even know what their position is. Some will say that it's just a government thing—it's an issue of sovereignty—and others will say that it's a free speech thing and anybody should be able to do it. Others will say that it's communities and governments and things like that in terms of who should be making a difference. Obviously, there's an entire list of possibilities, an entire continuum of possibilities, in terms of which names we think should be reserved. That could be as little as zero and as high as 11 million. So it's sussing out, through the use of scenarios, where people really standing to see if we [can find] some kind of a common ground in the At-Large in order to actually take a position, which is more than the GAC has managed to do, for example, because it is a complicated topic, even though it really only is two questions.

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On to Olivier's other point, it seems like we have a recurring conversation about what should take place on the CPWG calls. I guess I would love to just resolve that issue. Probably this group would be the one—or maybe it's just Maureen—to simply resolve what the boundaries are for CPWG and what the process should be to pass things on, etc., because I feel like it's something where we're continuously debating something that I thought we had resolved. I just want to make a decision once and for all and just not have that conversation anymore, if we could possibly do that. Tijani is very focused on us only discussing things in the CPWG that are what would otherwise be GNSO policy/DNS policy because we've previously had some committees for other things, such as the budget etc.

I raised this because the travel support guidelines to me feel like the thing that's least interesting from the standpoint of an individual end user in At-Large. And it almost feels as though Judith's work should be presented to this group more so than it should be to the CPWG. So that's one of the things that would have fallen outside of my sense of the purpose of that group. But I'd be interested in other people's impressions there, and I'd be interested in getting a final ruling, whether it's a vote of this group or just an authoritarian ruling on Maureen's part—I'm happy with either—just so it's not something that we have to discuss every time we have a call. Thanks.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Holly?

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HOLLY RAICHE: I would support Jonathan on that. I think it's a two-stage process. A lot of things actually come before this group just because there are so many of us here. It's a good first place to actually make some decisions.

But once we've said, "Look, it really isn't policy. It belongs somewhere else," then it should go somewhere else. I too actually wonder why we would be discussing travel guidelines here. That seems not to be policy. At least I don't think it is. If we're going to have that discussion, let's first discuss why that's policy.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Holly, to clarify, by "here," you mean the CWPG?

HOLLY RAICHE: Well, yes, I mean—

JONATHAN ZUCK: Because here is the ALAC, which is maybe we would discuss travel support guidelines.

HOLLY RAICHE: I'm so used to sitting up at night, talking to the CPWG.

JONATHAN ZUCK: I understand. This is not that.

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HOLLY RAICHE: All right. Okay. I think ALAC actually is the best place for this to be a traffic [warden]. This is where it goes. Stuff does go to the CPWG where probably it shouldn't. To me, the role of the CPWG is to say, "Thanks very much, but it probably should go somewhere else."

And I agree with that view. I wasn't sure why we were discussing travel guidelines in the CPWG. I'm not saying to never raise an issue with the CPWG, but it ought to be up to Olivier and Jonathan to say, "Sorry. That goes somewhere else." Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you for that discussion. Definitely it's something that we—

YESIM NAZLAR: Maureen, I'm sorry for interrupting. I'm hearing your voice a bit faint. Would you speak closer to the microphone?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. I just—

YESIM NAZLAR: Yes, it's better now.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Thank you. I've got it in my mouth now. It's a good time to be having this discussion. Without creating more groups, which is something that I don't want to do, we will definitely find some place for

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it. Not here. The sorts of discussions that we have around that kind of issue is just too unwieldy for something like the ALAC meeting, which is really a little bit more focused. And it's definitely something we will look at.

Olivier?

OLIVER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Maureen. Moving on, regarding policy, no policy work would be complete without mentioning the subsequent procedures process. Oh, no, I mentioned it just a moment ago, but I'm going to mention it again because I'd like to advertise to you a wiki page—yes, we now have advertising breaks—called At-Large Workspace SubPro Update. That's one that Justine Chew has been putting together, helped also by a small team of people, to take us through the process that will lead eventually to a submission by the ALAC to a statement via public comments or direct advice to the ICANN Board at some point, hopefully maybe in August or September. The calendar isn't completely clear.

If you look at the little diagram that you see—just scroll down, a little bit, Yesim, or whoever is in charge of the screen. There you go. That's the diagram. Yeah, this thing. You can see the forecasting, which is great—great plan—between now and the end of June 2020, which is just the amount of time that you're all going to be confined around the world. That's the time when there'll be cooperation and review of various different parts—components parts—of the Applicant Guidebook that will be used in this round, and therefore all of the different

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components parts, which you can see listed further down on the same page: DNS abuse mitigation, geographic names, consumer trust recommendation. These are all topics that have a very strong end user component. It sounds like a lot of different topics, but in fact it's just a subset of all the topics that are being addressed by this subsequent procedures policy development process. It's just the ones that are very end-user-focused. It's going to be impossible over the summer, when the public consultation comes out, for everyone to read the whole thing from A to Z. So it's great to see a set of preparative works that we're seeing here—bit-sized chunks of work—that should – I was going to say “tantalize your taste buds, but there's nothing to eat in this—certainly get your brain to work a little bit and think, “Ooh, how do I stand about that?” because it's only by having an informed community—not only informed, but having all the different components parts—that we know where we actually stand as a community and not just as one, two, three, or four individuals.

Alongside this, every week, the Consolidated Policy Working Group will have a specific amount of time that it will focus on one topic. But there are some topics that are much larger than other topics, and these will mandate single-issue calls that will be running in addition to the Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG) calls: the usual suspects (the ones like compliance and things that we feel very strongly about and that, in some cases, we've had difficulty coming to terms with or least focusing on a single response).

So that's where we are. That's the plan. There should be an announcement very soon. I know Justine is working really hard to put something together to take us through this. In each case, we'll have

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experts that will be able to help us out with what are the facts and where do we hand here and then plenty of time in our community to be able to discuss each one of those issues so that, by the time that public consultation comes, we will hopefully have a full set of recommendations from the ready and we will not be missing the boat on this.

Not only will we have that, but we might have also at the same time a full set of recommendations that are supported by other parts of the ICANN community because we've shared it with them and we've made consolidated work with them to bring ourselves together.

That's it. Thank you. The link, by the way ... I'll put the link in the chat. There we are. The link for the SubPro updates is there. Thanks very much.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks, Olivier. It's really good to mention this—

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Olivier.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Oh, sorry. I was just going to say that this is another area where the At-Large is showing some leadership in terms of how this information is presented and evaluated by a group. So there's other groups that are asking to try and copy that methodology. So I think it's another area where the At-Large is shining in the ICANN community.

MAUREEN HILYARD: You took the words out of my mouth, Jonathan. That was exactly what I was going to say. And many thanks to Justine. I think that we've got something that [inaudible] that can actually be ... that we can showcase for others. [inaudible]. Somebody needs to mute.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Sorry. I need to mute. My mistake.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thanks, Olivier. So is that all from policy? Can we move on now?  
  
Oh, Sebastien has got his hand up.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you very much. Great presentation and great work. I'm just wondering where—maybe it's not here ... We need to give you feedback on what is happening in the groups where you have ALAC sending representatives. Here I am thinking about three groups—at least one on auction proceeds, one on SSR-2, and the one on ATRT3—because it's not, obviously, today in the CPWG. I just want you to not forget what your representatives are doing in those groups. I am sure they are doing a very good job, but maybe we need a place to have some feedback and some discussion on what is happening in those groups. Thank you.

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MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Sebastien. Yes, actually, we've probably been a little bit remiss that we haven't incorporated that into our sessions. Perhaps, if it's being discussed during the CPWG, it will be [pared] back, but it depends on priorities. So, yes, we'll put it on the agenda anyway. If anyone has got anything to add to it, they can do so at that time. Thank you.

Does anyone have anything to—we've got just a few minutes—say about ATRT3 or auction proceeds? I know that I missed the last Auction Proceeds meeting—and it was the last one—going over the last bits of the report before it's finalized. Anything? Just a couple sentences for each of those that might need to be [said]?

Going .... Going ... gone. Okay, moving on, then we go to ... I understand that Alp is not here with us. Evin, who is keeping her eyes open with matchsticks because it's so early in the morning is going to do the honors to give us a review of the membership. Thank you, Evin.

EVIN ERDOGDU:

Thanks, Maureen. This is Evin speaking with matchsticks. For the ALS snapshot for this month for ALAC/ALS activity, you'll note in the application status table that the top three lines say zero, but that is not indicative of all the work that's going on behind the scenes. To explain that, as you all know, there was a virtual ICANN meeting this month, as well as quite a little bit of disruption around the world regarding coronavirus. But a lot of activity has been going on between staff, the applicants, the application themselves, the GSE team, and RALO for processing the due diligence as well as various feedback and questions

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of these applicants. We had received quite a few from the AFRALO region. So there were some updates. The GSE had provided some feedback recently on three applications. Those are moving forward to AFRALO for feedback in time for their next AFRALO monthly call. The applicants have been notified of that. There's also a LACRALO application that's being processed. We're getting some more information from the community on that applicant. So there are, in total, eight of those currently in that stage. Then there's one application that staff is conducting due diligence for. We're waiting for applicant feedback on some questions, which is taking a little time. But hopefully we'll be hearing from them soon. Then there are six currently that are on hold.

So lots of great activity. Probably, for the next ALAC monthly, we'll have some that are under vote or already certified. So good news on that front.

It's a shame—I guess I can move to the individual snapshot—that Alp is not on the call because there was a great chart that we created here. Maybe Heidi would like to jump in. There's a great snapshot of the number of individual members and observers over time by RALO. So definitely check that out. It's a really good representation of how that's been increasing.

There were three recently accepted members: two from NARALO and one from NARALO. So we just hit the total number of 130 individual members and 20 observers.

With that, I will turn it back over to Maureen. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Evin. I just noticed that Vanda had something she wanted to raise. If she doesn't mind, we'll just do that a little bit later.

"[inaudible]" Yes. Thank you, Cheryl. Noted.

If we can move on now to the post-ATLAS III and 2020 At-Large activities, for the leads who are here, is Eduardo here to give us the snapshot of where we're at with their issues and perhaps some prioritization if required? Is Eduardo here?

Nope.

YESIM NAZLAR: Maureen, I'm not seeing Eduardo on the call. By the way, I just wanted to double-check. Did we miss Agenda Item 6 or did I get confused.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, sorry. Of course. Because I spoke about it before.

YESIM NAZLAR: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [Definitely you skipped, yeah].

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MAUREEN HILYARD: Yeah. About reports. Anyone have anything to report on their reports? Seeing as I have already spoken about it, I just wanted to go straight into it? Anyone? Liaisons? Working Groups? RALO Chairs? Anyone doing anything exciting?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: I've put mine in chat.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, sorry, Cheryl. I haven't got my thing [scrolled] up. Okay.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Maureen, thank you for being my one other visitor to the site. I always appreciate when someone goes into the [inaudible] liaison [inaudible]. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Is that a comment? Just a comment? Thank you.

Actually, I quite like finding out for myself what's going on. I do appreciate, for example, that Andrey sent the SSAC documents out. That's really cool. I do appreciate too that RALO Chairs do give reports at the ALT Plus meetings, but there may be situations where there is something that they may wish to bring to the attention of the total ALAC group, which is a little bit wider than ALT Plus. So this is an opportunity if you want to do so.

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[inaudible]. I think that there are no hands up. Now we will go on to Item 7, which I can so legitimately now—

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sorry. I'm a little bit late, Maureen. I'm sorry to interrupt you. It's just to say we have a new Vice- ... I don't know if the title is Vice-Chair, but a new [person] in charge of [ester subject union of Russia] country at the Global Stakeholder Engagement Team. That is something that is [supposed] to take care of some countries in EURALO and some countries in AFRALO. I want you to know about that because it's the latest change in the GSE team. Thank you. Sorry for doing that late.

MAUREEN HILYARD: That's all right because I do remember that there were reports given at the ALT Plus meeting that [inaudible], and that was one of them, of course.

No one else?

All right. Moving on. Eduardo is not here, but a few of us who are here attended Eduardo's last meeting on developing a report that is being created from the feedback that came from the ATLAS participants. A very interesting and, I think, very informative bit of work has been produced there. I know that Eduardo is having to do quite a bit of heavy lifting himself, so it would be really good if we could get more people helping him with that work.

Cheryl, did you have anything to add to that? Because we were contributing quite a bit to that particular meeting.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Sure. [Just a real] thank you. I appreciate that Eduardo has done the last lot of editing, but I think we should fairly recognize the amount of input that some of the small team has put in. Nadira and Daniel and others have certainly made—and D[ev] and others—a number of comments and some extremely important contributions to the data analysis. [Alp] has been of great use. So I don't want the ALAC to think that it has been a one-man wonder here. It has been a collaborative effort, and we do still have a little bit of work to do. But I think it's looking in pretty good shape. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Noted and very much appreciated to have had all the comments that have come in. I guess it's the fact that we're at a stage now where it's pulling everything together. I just think that a little bit more effort might actually make that happen a little bit quicker than we were going through it the other day. So probably a little bit more work is basically all it needs because there's a lot of good stuff in there. I think, when everybody sees the report, they're going to see what value that that can give to the various groups that we've already got established. There's actually going to be some grassroots recommendations coming through. The recommendations are coming from the ATLAS participants themselves [as to] how they think we can enhance the work that we're doing within At-Large. So Eduardo can tell us about that next time.

Moving on, did I see Joanna's name in the list? Yesim?

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YESIM NAZLAR: No, Maureen. Unfortunately we have been trying to reach out to her but couldn't get her on the line. And she's not on Zoom either.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Is Daniel here?

YESIM NAZLAR: No, he's not.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Hmm. Okay. Well, that's probably not the best indication for our leads of the key areas of which At-Large is very much involved in, although a summary has actually been put there anyway to give you an idea of what has been done as a summary that basically [Joanna gave] in the ATL Plus meeting. It would be repetitious, but, at the same time, this is a different group, and different ears are here to hear what is actually happening.

In the capacity-building section, there is a lot of work that's actually being done by the subgroups. I know that there's a team working on the ICANN Learn activities. [Dev] is doing a whole heap of work on the onboarding slide deck, as well as other activities associated with it. Hadia has a small team that she's working with, too, on webinars. I know they've already started organizing content and dates for those, so that's something we're going to have to look at in the priority activities.

Of course, Daniel has been very much occupied with getting the RALOs strategic plans in—that's something that's going to be quite

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important—with special emphasis on ensuring that GSE have some involved in the development of those strategic plans as well. So he did spend a lot of time on ... I'm asking his team about how they might be able to deal with outreach in a virtual context. So everyone has got their thinking caps on about that one.

Then I'm here for communications—

HEIDI ULLRICH: Maureen?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Hi, Maureen. We have two hands up. We have Barrack and we have Sebastien.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Sorry. I keep moving down, looking for people, and then I forget to go back. Barrack?

YESIM NAZLAR: Barrack, if you're speaking, we can't hear anything. We're just hearing noise from your microphone.

Sorry. I'll mute you're line—oh. Barrack?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yesim, while you're dealing with that one, can we have Sebastien and then Barrack?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you very much, Maureen. Just to be sure that the work done by Dev and other people about the At-Large onboarding slide deck ... [There are] some inputs—I may have to take that as an action item— with our individual association because I know that they are doing the same kind of work. Therefore, I would like to be sure that we don't duplicate the work.

Can you add an action item where I will and staff will help me to coordinate those two groups, please? Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Heidi, can you put that down as an action item, please?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Gisella is doing that.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you.

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MAUREEN HILYARD: Have we got Barrack back?

YESIM NAZLAR: Sorry, Maureen. As his audio is not working, I've just asked [Frederico] to actually dial out to Barrack to see if we can get that—

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. That's good. Well, just let me know when he gets back.

I just wanted to add that—I think it was in the Capacity-Building Group that Joanna talked—one of the things that she also raised was the development of an academic group. That is something that is being specifically led at the moment by EURALO. I think that they're setting up an establishment group there. I think that that's going to be something that we can explore, first of all, as a small group. Then we can expand across the other RALOs as is appropriate. It's not a priority at the moment because there's quite a lot we've got to be doing anyway. So we'll get onto that. But it is something that was discussed that I forgot to mention before.

Are we back with Barrack just yet?

YESIM NAZLAR: Yes. He is on the phone.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Can I comment on that?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. We'll have Barrack and then we'll get back to Sebastien.

BARRACK OTIENO: Thank you. Hello?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Loud and clear.

BARRACK OTIENO: Okay. Thank you very much. Apologies. My connection has been a bit unstable. I just had some two quick updates from the ccNSO. That is that the Chair has called for a meeting with all the working group chairs to consider the possibility of another remote meeting for ICANN68 and the possible actions the different working group chairs would need to take following the decision that was taken in the previous meeting where most of the main sessions were cancelled, and focus just remained on the ccNSO Council meeting.

[While at that], I'd also just like to report that the focus of the meeting was basically to elect the leadership of the ccNSO. Katrina was reelected as Chair, with Pablo from .pr (the Puerto Rico ccTLD) and Alejandra from .gt coming in as Vice-Chair. Byron Holland did not express interest in continuing as a vice-chair.

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Finally, the [inaudible] country-code development process on retirement started its work. The policy development process that was looking into the first processes of retirement is just in the process of completing its work. I'm going to share some of the report or some of the work that has been achieved so far. Currently, Steven and Eberhard Lisse, the Chairs of the first retirement process, are continuing with their [third] effort and [inaudible] again on the wiki as well. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Awesome. Thank you very much, Barrack. Interesting to hear about Byron, who's been either the chair or vice-chair for a long time and has done a brilliant job. So that's changing—leadership. That's the way it goes.

Sebastien?

SEBASTEIN BACHOLLET:

Thank you very much, Maureen. It's just to give a few feedback on the discussion we had yesterday at EURALO about the specific groups, who [I'm taking out of my mind], [for research] and so on. We have suggested—I don't know if we've decided—to ask each ALS from EURALO if they have people from academics and if we can set up a group with them. We think that it could be the first step to be done in each and every RALO to how we can gather those people before going outside and finding more, just to see what is our inside people to do think about these items and see how we can help them—ICANN and At-Large—on the topics which could be of interest for both sides. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Awesome. I think it's great that EURALO is actually taking it up to do a bit of trialing and see what works so that we have best practiced filtering through to the rest of the RALOs. Thank you very much.

You two gentlemen still got other things to talk about? Your hands are up still.

Okay. Just going on to my section, one of the first things that I wanted to mention, as I have in the recommendations for the ALAC column, was, when we had our SO/AC chairs meeting the other day, one of the things that Goran Marby announced was that, from his point of view, he felt that there would not be any more face-to-face meetings before September, although it has been several days since we had that meeting and I hadn't heard an official announcement. I contacted him and asked him if we could have something official because we wanted to start our ICANN68 prep knowing what was in the air for ICANN. He has actually given us permission to use this as a guide. In the discussion that we had, I think most people in our group felt that this was probably an appropriate timeframe and it could be extended further depending on what the situation is at the time. We don't what's going to happen, so everything is pretty much a question mark. But what probably isn't a question mark is that ICANN68 will be virtual. So at least we've got that as a heads up for our own planning, which is what I wanted to get from him.

In the current status are the sorts of thing that we've been discussing communication-wise within ICANN. I had a session with the Board Chair

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very much focusing on the situation and the impact on volunteers in the work that we're doing, taking note of the fact that their home circumstances will be very, very different from what they would normally be and that we can expect a little bit of attrition in some of our working groups because there are other priorities for some of our workers. That was very much taken on board. I think the same comments were made to Goran when we had the SO/AC meeting with him as well.

So, for me, the priorities are going to be the ARIWG tasks, of course—getting those finished—and getting some final feedback on the communications strategy so that we can sign that off and pass that around. All the other groups have seen it. No doubt you've all seen it in some context somewhere. Any comments would be gratefully received.

Sebastien, do you have something else to say?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Yeah, [inaudible] but to add to your points about the next meeting. We had a EURALO call yesterday and we had a chance to have Leon with us. I asked him about the next meeting. What he told is that they have a meeting today of the Board to have a briefing of the situation, but he's not expecting a final decision today. But who knows? He thinks that the final decision will be taken within one week. That's the report from what Leon said. At the EURALO level, we think that it's time to be prepared for ICANN68 online and not physical. That's the best way to go because we are sure that nothing will be really ready for us to travel and for ICANN to receive us in Malaysia at the end of June. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you very much. You were lucky to get Leon. I did speak with him as well. He was the one who actually indicated that no decision had been made as of yet. So I thought I better get the advice of Goran himself, who made the announcement, as to whether I could make it public within this call. In light of the fact that we do want to move ahead to make sure that the preparations that we make for ICANN68 are a little bit less stressed than they were for ICANN67 and that we can be a little bit better organized—not that we weren't organized. It really did show. I think we just don't want too much pressure people as we're moving through the situation that we're in.

[inaudible]. Having gone through that, we're looking at the priorities of these activities. I think that what we're looking at is that anything that has got a date on it is really a priority, so that means that there is a deadline date for those.

Now, I thought I – ugh. I don't think I saved it. There are, for example, looking down at capacity-building, not any dates there, but I do know that Hadia's webinar team are already getting dates organized for that. So they become a priority once a date is actually given.

One of things is, I guess if we're looking at things—I've mentioned it before—the ARIWG activities. Then later on we've got the elections coming out. That's got a starting date, so we've got to make sure that we get going on that. Of course, for us, it's critical that we get that report done for the Board on the final report on the implementation thing.

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Are there any questions? This will be updated. The deadline dates will be updated. We do need to look at those. I'll probably be shoulder tapping people to make sure that they are helping us to get things up to date so that we can ensure that things that we want to do are actually being done.

Next on our agenda, seeing as we've gone through that, is the communications strategy. I've already mentioned that 100 times. You can click onto that and write a comment. If there's anything [burning, we can] incorporate that because I really want to get that formalized and accepted: the 2020 version for At-Large communications strategy. I want that to be endorsed so that our working groups have actually got something that's a guide to developing their own communications strategies and the actual implementation of those strategies for their particular groups because everyone is going to be doing something a little bit differently.

Any questions on that?

The link is there. Heidi has already put that in there.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Maureen?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, Heidi?

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HEIDI ULLRICH:

Thank you. I just wanted to comment that we have issued some information or comments from our communications staff which we will be incorporating into this Google Doc that I put into the chat. So just a heads up there: there will be some additional comments being put into it.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Awesome. I think that one of the important things is that the strategy has been based on what has been given to us from the communications team. We want it to actually fit in with what is becoming what we hope is a standardized communications process within ICANN. So that's one of the reasons why I very much appreciate that they're actually feeding back into the strategy as well. Thank you.

I see—oh, that's Ricardo having to go. Bye.

Again, the At-Large review implementation development. The plan that—hang on. Have we got that? Oh. Can we go onto 10 now? Because we're actually running out of time. All right. Now, if we have a look at—as soon as it comes through—the implementation plan document and then ... Remember seeing this before? For each of those eight items, there's a dashboard. On that dashboard we'll actually have what we had said that we were going to do for each of those items. It is really important that we said we were going to do we actually are going to do because we have to report on those to the Board to say that we completed everything we said we were going to do.

I hate to have to rub it in, but it is important that ... I'll be shoulder tapping people if there are things that are missing, but I would rather

that you would, if you're a lead, be getting into this dashboard and you're actually filling in the sections that have been completed since your last progress report, which was probably reported in the December report. So please, please look at that. So that's it. That's all I'm going to say: Get it done.

Moving on to—I don't see any hands up; great—the feedback from ICANN67, I was going to give people an opportunity, if they wanted to, if they wanted to comment on ICANN67.

I just noticed that Justine said, “And this was going to be 120 minutes? [It was]?” but I asked for this to be a 90-minute one because it's going to be midnight by the time it finishes anyway for me. And I think we should be able to get it done in 90.

The SO and AC chairs were very complimentary about the work has being one by At-Large. I think it's really a credit to everyone who actually worked very, very hard on their activities that we actually decided on, which were mainly the ... The plenaries were given a big, big [kudos] because they felt that that was one of the few times that they actually ever had plenaries that were interactive. There were good speakers and good dialoging going on between the speakers but also in interacting with the participants.

You've all got those comments. We can use some of those comments. They were actually not just related to At-Large. They were related to the comments that were being made across the feedback from the five chairs.

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Is there anyone who wants to make a comment at all themselves about, for example, even now, looking at what we're going to do for ICANN68? Sorry about that. [I had to have] a drink of water. So any comments?

Sebastien? Sebastien, we're having a good conversation here.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Thank you very much. If there are other people who want to talk, then I will be short. I think it was a great experiment. Now we will have to do a second one. I guess we have to take on board some of the difficulty we face—when I say “we,” it's globally—[inaudible] of people don't have a stable connection and how they can participate and the fact that we need to hear from all the participants. That's very difficult in a virtual meeting. If [inaudible] extend to the next meeting, the first I would like is for us really us to think how we get prepared for those meeting. The advantage to do something during the meeting is not so much to do things that we can do as At-Large in other times of the year but it's the opportunity to have participants from all the other constituencies when we have an important topic.

You succeed in having, in fact, an At-Large meeting as a high-interest topic for the overall organization. That was good. That's what we need to keep for the next meeting.

I would like to ask you for your support for one thing. Language is very important. I guess we will not get much more than French, Spanish, and maybe Chinese because we will be [in Asia]. But I am not sure that we'll be able to do.

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I would like to suggest one thing: that we set or, or ICANN sets up, a meeting with the six virtual rooms in each and every language without any interpretation. It will be a time where languages could be used, and we don't need to have technicalities. People, in addition, will leave that to what they want to do. We can set up two hours for each language. We can set up a topic for each or a topic for all. That's something to be open. I would like that we take advantage of our diversity in the next meeting. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Good suggestion. We'll put that down. Thank you, Heidi. Jonathan?

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thanks, Maureen. I agree with Sebastien that one of the challenges is to have a very interactive meeting (virtual) in some measure, because we were the standouts and we had hundreds of participants in our meetings. It's difficult to understand what we wanted that to look like. In other words, is there a way to designate participants versus observers or something like that so that we're really focused on hearing from certain folks that are in attendance there, or are we trying to poll the large room? Are we trying to poll them more often to try to keep them engaged them and things? Because it's a difficult thing to engage a large group in an active way. In a passive way, I think we were successful.

On of the things that has been discussed and Sebastien has suggested in the past is trying to push out webinars prior to the meetings so that the discussions presuppose that people have done their homework, which is a perpetual problem, I think, with these meetings: a lot of people wait

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until their on a call or in a meeting to really focus on things. I think that's some of the challenges. I did some experiments with the [silly] poll and things like that because there's a lot of science around quizzing people to keep them engaged and to reinforce messages and things like that. But there's more work to be done to just keep then meetings as interactive as possible.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Jonathan. I think that, by starting now, it gives us time to look at what strategies worked to actually get that engagement and how can we build on that and do things differently. I can take on board that it depends on ... There's a shorter timeframe for this meeting. I'm not quite sure whether they're going to have four days as they would normally do or if they're going to expand it. I'm not quite sure.

I hope everyone has filled in the survey. The survey is important. It's actually giving them something to work on to get the feedback from everybody as to how they might ... They're looking at timing. They're looking at the length of the meeting. There's lots of things. So get your views in there, please.

Abdulkarim?

ABDULKARIM OLOYEDE:

Thank you very much, Maureen. I just wanted to say that, yes, it's great that we have this wonderful feedback from ICANN67, but I do want us to this beyond the ordinary. I would want to suggest that we also need to have the community feedback, especially with the India At-Large

community, so that a lot of us will be able to give feedback on what we think went well and what we think didn't really well with ICANN67 because the new reality that we have now is that we're going to have more virtual meetings. One of the thing where I think ICANN67 was successful was because a lot of us had already planned to take time off from our work time. That was one of the positives. That's why I don't want us to look too much beyond those figures: it might not even be the reality.

I would suggest that, as the community of At-Large, we need to come out and have [a] strong opinion on the new reality we have and also to express some of the challenges we think a lot of us will be facing with the new reality because we need to understand that, yes, we're going to start having more virtual meetings. At least we're going to have one or two more virtual meetings this year. And we need to be able to express ourselves as a community, not as individuals [inaudible] ICANN. And I believe we need to do [the other comments]. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Exactly. I think that you've raised some really good points and the sorts of things that need to be done. I think that we'll be forming the ICANN68 planning committee [virtually]. If AFRALOS could get, from their communities, feedback about what would be appropriate inputs from their perspective into the next meeting, it would be really good to bring them to that meeting so we're all on the same page as to how we develop our sessions for the next meeting.

Holly?

HOLLY RAICHE: I'd like to actually take a little bit of exception to Sebastien. One of what I found was a strength of ICANN67 was that there wasn't six screens, so we all had to actually listen to each other. There were fewer places to go, so more people actually wound up being in together. In fact, if we're ever going to break down silos, which is what we should be doing, this was a good way to do it. Why would we resurrect silos when in fact talking together is one of the things that we should be doing? Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Holly. Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Maureen. Sebastien, you know how much I am engaged for the diversity, and especially for the language diversity, but I am not sure of the [inaudible] because we are creating new silos. We will have silos by language. What is the interest in having these six rooms with six discussing among them? I think the [inaudible] of ICANN is to be global, to be for everyone. So we will not [inaudible] people by language. I think there is no way better than having the maximum of interpretation. In case we cannot have all the languages, it is, of course, a problem because it is virtual. But I don't think that [creating] six rooms for the six languages will solve the problem, in my point of view.

Second point. I took the survey, by the way, Maureen—the survey of ICANN68. I am sorry that, last time, when I proposed—I think I am not

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the only one who proposed that—not to speak to the number of days so that we have fewer meetings per day and not to speak to the time zone of Cancun because it may create a lot of problems. We may have a flexible time. When we have more days and flexible time, we will have more people participating at the meeting. Unfortunately, the GNSO said, no, we have to stick to the date because our people made that arrangement for this period, not more and not less. So I am sorry for that, but I think this is the best way for the future, if we have to have virtual meetings, to make more people participating in these virtual meetings. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you very much, Tijani. I do like the discussion. People are allowed to make a suggestion, and others people can give their views. I think the consensus view, of course, which we will use to actually move on, is what we eventually do.

Humberto?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

Thank you, Maureen.

MARINA:

This is the interpreter. We cannot hear Humberto.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Okay.

YESIM NAZLAR: Sorry, Marina. Adigo just updated that Humberto has just dropped. We'll be redialing. So if you can bear with us, please.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. While you're dialing, we'll have Sebastien and then you can get back to us. Thank you. Sebastien?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you very much. Thank you, Holly and Tijani, for your feedback. Maybe we are not living on the same planet. What I am suggesting is not creating siloes. It's giving the opportunity to more people to participate in their own language, at least for six of the languages of the world, and to discuss together, not within silos. It could be given back to the other places. If you think it's a silo, therefore I request you to [counsel] any meetings from RALOs in an ICANN meeting and even any meeting from each SO and AC, as it creates silos. Really, just think of people. We want them to have them participate. To have them participate and better participate, it's not enough to just have interpretation and to have the English [inaudible] but it's to allow other languages. The reason to do that in a virtual world I am sure will enhance the participation and the engagement of people to talk together. Please don't consider that as new siloes. It's breaking the siloes and allowing more participation. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Sebastien. Humberto is back.

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HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Thank you so much. Let me check if you can hear me.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Let me be very brief and lead your and ICANN's attention to the fact that a huge economic crisis is coming. In Chile, we are really noticing that the rest of the world is. That will have a serious impact worldwide. Lots of people are jobless. Unemployment. Many of them are ICANN participants. I think I will be one of the fortunate ones because I will keep my job, but I'm certain that my workload will increase because many people who work on a daily basis who do not have employment will be terminated in universities. We will have to take their job, their work. As a result of that, ICANN participants will not have money to afford Internet connections in the next few months. Here we're talking about increasing participation. On the other hand, we have people who will not be able to connect because they will not be able to pay for that as the stipends are not being paid. Perhaps some sort of grant or something could be afforded to ensure ICANN participants' connectivity. That is my first suggestion.

The second is to perhaps issue a certificate of ICANN meetings attendance. That's all. Thank you.

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MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you very much, Humberto. You raised some very interesting challenges and supported thereby by Abdulkarim and others. They are thing that we will take back to the Board, just highlighting those challenges. They're very much a reality.

We've been through that. We're actually a little over time already. I did not want to go more past the 90 minutes, but, first of all, before we go to the very last item, I know Vanda has something she wanted to raise about the NomCom review. Vanda, can you do that now?

VANDA SCARTEZINI: Yeah. Can you listen to me well?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can hear you.

VANDA SCARTEZINI: Hello?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can hear you, Vanda.

VANDA SCARTEZINI: Okay. It's because I have the other in Spanish in my years. I would just like to remind us that we are certainly going quite active in [well], working with issues and recommendations. In the last week, we had a

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very good discussion about requiring each number for AC and SO participants in the NomCom.

So it's quite important, in my view, to have a more overall view from ALAC—what they think, what they like to see as members participants. I believe I could send an e-mail to the list and maybe have anyone that wants to send their opinion. It would be interesting to have more opinions, not just from the participants from the group, because it's quite important to hear from others what they think [inaudible] the number of participants on NomCom among all the ACs and SOs. It's just that. I believe that it's quite important.

From the ccPDP, we just had the first meeting. So nothing to add.

Thank you. If you agree, I will send this e-mail asking for suggestions. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Vanda. We've got Tijani's hand up first. Quickly.

Oh. Is that an old hand, Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yeah.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Humberto?

Humberto, is that an old hand or a new hand?

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Old hand. Okay. Cheryl?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Great. Thank you. I wanted to follow on from Vanda. I appreciate Vanda's offer there, but I'm a little cautious. I think the NomCom Review Implementation Working Group needs to just solidify a few options a little bit further. But what Vanda has offered fits perfectly with the already planned implementation of outreach and engagement with the ACs and the SOs on this and several other important matters.

So, if I may, Vanda, can I suggest ... We need to really describe and background and frame for our community and the ALAC very, very specifically what we're all on about in this rebalancing exercise and what some of the options are. So can we put this on a to-do list and not action it right now but get ahead of the game and get on to it at the earliest possible opportunity, especially once we can help Vanda with some specific background materials and information that everyone can bring themselves up to speed with? Because what we're not wanting to do and what we're not interested in is opening up for any form of re-litigation what the recommendations are. We have a recommendation here. We need to find a way of implementing it. And we're interested in everything from very conservative to totally out-of-the-box thinking. I think that's what Vanda was trying to tease out. I just think we need to maybe work on getting the background in just right before we launch into a discourse. Maybe it could even be a piece of agenda at a future meeting. Thanks.

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VANDA SCARTEZINI: [Thank you,] Cheryl. We need some very clear proposals. But, in the end, this will be good to have what was the real opinion of our ALAC members to see if we are all aligned on this. Thank you. We will [get back to you]. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you very much. Yes, get back to us on that.

Okay, really over time. But one final item is, of course, we've got the ALAC and RALO elections coming up very, very shortly. If you click on to the link, you will actually see that actual starting time is the 27<sup>th</sup> of April. That's when there's an announcement of a call for nominations. The whole idea is for you to go through the schedule and go through anything that's related to your major and make sure that the information is correct so that, when we actually start the process, we don't have any questions or queries about the actual process itself and for the elections and how the RALOs might do their elections, etc., etc. So please check through this page. You're all leaders within your organizations. So it's really important that we get any feedback. It goes to Heidi and Gisella. Let them know if there's anything that needs to be changed. They're pretty onto it. They've done it enough times. We do need to get some feedback on that if there is anything.

I think we've been through everything on the agenda. There was nothing else that was Any Other Business, although it's 15 minutes later than I thought. Thank you all very much for coming. I know that it's a horrible time for some people, but it's normally a horrible time for APRALO, let me assure you. So this is one of the better times for us.

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We've had a really good number of people here as well, which has been really heartening to get that support for the work that we're doing together.

Thank you very much. Have a good morning, afternoon, or evening, wherever you are. Thank you.

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