

Motion to update Definitions in the Rules of Procedure

Whereas the current Definitions of the Rules of Procedure are incomplete

And Whereas the Definitions are incompatible with ICANN by-laws and ALAC rules and procedures

Resolved

That the following clauses be included to update the Definitions of the Rules of Procedure:

“Caribbean” means all countries in the Caribbean Region bounded by the Caribbean Sea, being not predominately Spanish-speaking and forming part of the Caribbean Community;

“Latin America” means all countries belonging to the Latin American Region, being predominately Spanish-speaking and historically having long uninterrupted Spanish rule.

“Region” or “LAC” means Latin America and the Caribbean

These Rules of Procedure neither supersede nor abrogate any of the By-laws, Rules or Procedures of the Internet Corporation of Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) or the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC).

The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular; the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter genders; the word “person” includes bodies corporate, companies, partnerships, syndicates, trusts and any association of persons; and the word “individual” means a natural person having residence and citizenship in Latin America and/or the Caribbean.

Proposal to ensure diversity and representation of LACRALO Representatives

Whereas there are geographic, historical and cultural differences existing within the region

And whereas ICANN enshrines principles of representation and diversity

Resolved

That officers be elected to ensure that such diversity is represented by the Caribbean and Latin America each holding an equal stake in LACRALO. This will be accomplished by each alternative ALAC member being from Latin America and the other from the Caribbean and the President and Secretariat positions also following such rotation.

This proposal will seek the following-

1) Motion to amend Principle 4, 6 and 8 of the OP

i) Principle 4 which states-

“4. The governing body of the LacRALO will be a General Assembly composed of two (2) representatives of each accredited ALSs, freely appointed or removed by each ALS, which shall inform the Secretary of the appointments made.

Said individuals shall also act as official contacts of the ALS vis-à-vis the LACRALO for the duration of their appointment. The General Assembly shall, to the extent possible, operate by consensus.

If a consensus cannot be reached, each ALS accredited in the General Assembly shall be entitled to one vote and those votes shall decide by simple majority any matter put to vote. In the event of a tie vote, the person chairing the meeting shall have the casting vote.

The General Assembly shall elect a President, whose term shall be for one year, with the possibility of reelection. The process of election of the President of the Assembly shall take into account the level of participation, leadership, commitment, and knowledge of the work of the Assembly. In the event of a tie in the course of deliberations, the President shall cast the deciding vote.

His duties will consist of, among other things, establish a link between the discussions in ALAC and the contributions made by the region, represent the region in the ALAC face-to-face meetings and chair the debates of the Assembly held through discussion lists, teleconferences and face-to-face meetings.”

Be replaced by the following-

“4. The governing body of LACRALO will be a General Assembly composed of two (2) representatives of each accredited ALSs, freely appointed or removed by each ALS, which shall inform the Secretary of the appointments made.

Said individuals shall also act as official contacts of the ALS vis-à-vis the LACRALO for the duration of their appointment. The General Assembly shall, to the extent possible, operate by consensus.

If a consensus cannot be reached, each ALS accredited in the General Assembly shall be entitled to one vote and those votes shall decide by simple majority any matter put to vote. In the event of a tie vote, the person chairing the meeting shall have the casting vote.

The General Assembly shall alternately elect a President from Latin America and the Caribbean, whose term

shall be for one year, with the possibility of reelection. The process of election of the President of the Assembly shall take into account the level of participation, leadership, commitment, and knowledge of the work of the Assembly. In the event of a tie in the course of deliberations, the President shall cast the deciding vote. His duties will consist of, among other things, establish a link between the discussions in ALAC and the contributions made by the region, represent the region in the ALAC face-to-face meetings and chair the debates of the Assembly held through discussion lists, teleconferences and face-to-face meetings.”

ii) Principle 6 which states-

“6. The LACRALO shall be assisted by a Secretariat; the duties of said Secretariat may be performed by an ALS member appointed by the General Assembly.”

Be replaced by the following-

“6. The LACRALO shall be assisted by a Secretariat; the duties of said Secretariat may be performed by an ALS member alternately appointed from the Caribbean and Latin America by the General Assembly.”

iii) Principle 8 which states-

“8. The LACRALO shall elect two (2) individual to serve as representatives before the At Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) on the terms specified in the ICANN By-Laws. Only those ALSs that have been accredited prior to the election shall be entitled to vote in the election.

Each accredited ALS shall be entitled to one vote. The selected representatives shall be members of various ALSs, have their main places of residence in countries of the region, and their nationalities must be distinct. The representatives shall be responsible for the duties stipulated by the ICANN By-Laws...”

Be replaced by the following-

“8. The LACRALO shall elect two (2) individuals, one (1) from Latin America and one (1) from the Caribbean to serve as representatives before the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) on the terms specified in the ICANN By-Laws. Only those ALSes that have been accredited prior to the election shall be entitled to vote in the election.

Each accredited ALS shall be entitled to one vote. The selected representatives shall both be:

- a) members of LACRALO with one (1) being from Latin America and one (1) being from the Caribbean,
- b) have their main places of residence in countries of the region, and
- c) distinct nationalities.

The representatives shall be responsible for the duties stipulated in the ICANN By-Laws and the ALAC rules and procedures.”

II) **Motion** to amend Rule 2 of RoP

Rule 2 which states-

“Rule 2 - Election of Officers

2.1 The Assembly shall elect a Chairperson, at least two (2) Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur by simple majority of accredited ALS present and voting. These offices shall be automatically vacated upon the adjournment of each General Assembly, unless the Assembly shall decide otherwise. The Chair and Vice-Chair of a meeting may be re-elected to serve in those positions by a later Assembly.”

Be replaced by the following-

“Rule 2 - Election of Officers

The Assembly shall elect a Chairperson, at least two (2) Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur by simple majority of accredited ALS present and voting. These elections shall be representative of the Region’s diversity and such officers shall be automatically vacated upon the adjournment of each General Assembly, unless the Assembly shall decide otherwise. The Chair and Vice-Chair of a meeting may be re-elected to serve in those positions by a later Assembly.”

III) **Motion** to amend Rule 3 of the RoP

Rule 3 which states-

“Rule 3 - Qualification Criteria for Officers

All officers must be official representatives of accredited At Large Structures.”

Be replaced by the following-

“Rule 3 - Qualification Criteria for Officers

All officers must be official representatives of accredited At Large Structures equitably demonstrating diversity and representing the Region.”

Motion to allow Individual participation in LACRALO

WHEREAS individuals who are natural persons that now wish to fully participate in LACRALO business are barred from so doing because they are not representing an accredited organisation or connected to an At Large Structure in their country;

WHEREAS LACRALO, ALAC and ICANN encourage end user participation;

And WHEREAS LACRALO and ICANN policy development are the poorer for lack of access to their knowledge, experience, enthusiasm and varied expertise

RESOLVED

That LACRALO accepts the inclusion of individuals who are natural persons as full members and allow their full and emancipated participation in all relevant LACRALO activities pursuant to development of policy advice to the ALAC

That for voting purposes, all such individuals shall be assigned a vote with an aggregate weight no greater than 50% of the value of the existing Country Coefficient

That wherever in the LACRALO Rules of Procedure and Operating Principles a reference is made to an "At-Large Structure" or "ALS" that individuals also be included as having similar rights of process and audience.