
JULIA CHARVOLEN: Welcome everyone to this AFRALO meeting from October 2nd 2013 at 18:33 UTC. We have [?], Aziz Hilali, Philip Johnson, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Fatimata Seye Sylla, Pierre Dovonou, [? 0:00:28], Pierre Dandjinou, Hadja Ouattara, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, and Etienne Tshishimbi, on the French channel.

On the English channel, we have Pastor Peters and Philip Johnson. As members of staff, we have Nathalie Peregrine, Silvia Vivanco, Heidi Ullrich, Susie Johnson and myself, Julia Charvolen. Our interpreters for today are Fernanda and Camila. And Susie Johnson, I'm sorry.

So I would like to just remind you to please state your name before you speak for interpretation and transcription purposes. Thank you. Fatimata, you have the floor.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: This is Fatimata speaking. Thank you. We're going to start [CROSSTALK] ...forgotten to mute her phone.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: This is Tijani. Go on Fatimata.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: So welcome everyone, as I was saying. I'm sorry for not being on Adobe Connect, I'm going to try and connect, but I'm going to begin the

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meeting now anyway. For the first item on the agenda was the roll call. And then the second item is open policy issues. We have a number of issues, the first of which is the DNS risk management framework report.

The comment period ends of September 13th, and the reply period closes on October 5th. Then we have the composition and [?] of the delegation, and re-delegation user instructions and for the quality and procedure. So the comment period for that composition ends on September 13th and the reply period on October 21st. So then we have the composition on of these delegations and re-delegations user instructions, and further policy and procedures.

I think I'm repeating herself. One is the delegation and re-delegation of the gTLD and the others, the gTLD. That's right Fatimata, I'm sorry. So for the consultation of gTLD delegation and re-delegation, the comment period ends on October 1st, so that was yesterday, and the reply period ends on October 22nd.

Tijani do you have any comments to make?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

No Fatimata, I'm sorry. This is Tijani. It's hard to [?] cannot hear us and she speaks from time to time to see if we can hear her, to see whether or not we can understand her, but she is interrupting. Can we mute her?

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

Yes mute here, says Fatimata, because it's disturbing. So then next on the list is a draft on a report on the protection of IGNO, INGO identifiers

in all gTLDs. The comment period closes on October 11th, and the reply period ends on November... Last on the list, the last open policy issue, is a study on WHOIS privacy and proxy service abuse.

The comment period ends on October 22nd and the reply period closes on November 13th. Are there any questions or comments regarding these open policy issues? Does anyone have anything they would like to add?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Fatimata, this is Olivier speaking.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Yes. Go ahead Olivier. This is Fatimata.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you Fatimata, says Olivier. I think I can give some clarifications on the comment period. I'm sorry, because there is so much background noise I can't hear properly and I really don't understand. But with regards to the open policy issues, the ones that are still underway, the ALAC had some points to mention.

The first one is for the leaders [?] collaboration, and then we have the global stakeholder engagement guideline. ...going to hold a meeting on consultations with ICANN. We're working on our quarterly meetings, and we're trying to see which consultations have been made because we know that our calls are sometimes simultaneous with the working group.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, precisely says Tijani.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: So I'm not really going to issue a comment on that. And the second consultation...

PASTOR PETERS: Hello? Hello? This is Pastor Peters.

INTERPRETER: I'm sorry Mister Peters, but Olivier is trying to take his turn and I'm doing my best to hear him.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: ...trying to – with Evan Leibvoitch because he's drafting a first draft with our comments on the first version of the WHOIS privacy and proxy service, I think we have until the 20th. Then we have other issues that we're working on with regards to policy work.

And the discussion is policy versus implementation. So there have been changes to the current rules of the GNSO. And it is important that ALAC make its recommendations without changing the order of implementation of the policy. But it is still important that we make our comments on the process for the time being.

So we – they have opened a call for comments. And then we have the final report for the protection of IGO and INGO identifiers in all gTLDs, which is to say that non-governmental organizations with new domain names have had either additional domains through new domain names. This is quite controversial matter, and there is two years of discussions already gone by.

And now they have finally come to a draft final report. So I know that there is negative aspects and policy implications, so thank you for having allowed me to explain what it is that we're doing at ATLAC.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you Olivier, this is Fatimata, for this clarification. I didn't quite understand everything you said because he's in a taxi on his cell phone, as he said at the beginning, but thank you for participating. This is Fatimata speaking. If there is no other comments...

PASTOR PETERS: Can I ask a question?

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: ...with regards... We can move on to item number three. Fatimata....

PASTOR PETERS: Can I ask a question?

PIERRE DANDJINOU: This is Pierre speaking.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Yes Pierre, go ahead, Mister Dandjinou, says Fatimata.

PIERRE DANDJINOU: Okay, this is Pierre Dandjinou speaking. In fact, for this item I'm trying to organize our managers, that is to say Yaovi, who is going to work from Kenya on this and I've wanted to get acquainted with all these different issues and comments that you had to make.

It's up to you to see to what extent that you want to participate here because it's your call after all. But we are trying to follow the work you make.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Okay. Thank you Pierre, says Fatimata. It's a good initiative on your part, and I would encourage participation. I think Pastor Peters had a question? Mister Peters you have the floor.

PASTOR PETERS: A quick one. [?] was a possibility on this conference [?]

SILVIA VIVANCO: Hello, Pastor Peters, can you repeat your question please?

PASTOR PETERS: [?] conference call [?]

SILVIA VIVANCO: Sorry, we cannot understand you. Can you repeat?

PASTOR PETERS: [?] a member of [?] a fellow of ICANN was supposed to be on this conference call. She was only for the dial up yesterday, so [?] on this – on the list of [?] I don't know why.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. Our call management people are informing me that we didn't have a dial out request from that person, but we can sort out those details with you via email please. If you could send us an email with this concern, we can address it. Thank you.

PASTOR PETERS: Thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you very much Silvia. This is Fatimata. For this practical answer. So without any further ado, we're going to move on to item number three on our agenda. So the first sub item is recent and upcoming activities of ALAC. In that [GT] is not here, we're going to give the floor to Tijani. Tijani Ben Jemaa, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Fatimata. This is Tijani. In the first place, I would like to say that I'm glad we have a second person who has become ICANN staff, other than Yaovi. This is the second time we meet, but going back to ALAC's recent and upcoming activities. One of the highlights in the participation [?]....

Is the appointment of member of the Board because Sebastain and his term ends in 2014, and I'm not saying that we should replace him, but we should hold a new election, and I don't know who would win for that. The election is going to start very soon, there is a call for candidates for the committees.

The first committees [CROSSTALK]... for the evaluation of candidates [CROSSTALK] ...so we're going to start this call for candidates and we're going to work with the committee so that we can start working on the process.

The second highlight [?] which also of interest to ALAC, is the summit, that is our 2014 summit. We're expected to hold it in London in June of next year. So the committee for the organization of the summit has prepared a dinner. And the committee on virtual capacity building had asked us to ask that survey that they had prepared, the information on the funding and on the ALS because to prepare the ALSs for that summit, we had decided to organize training sessions for the ALAC so that they can participate actively and effectively at the summit.

There is a part that deals with capacity building and that was finally approved. I was charged with the job of preparing the schedule, which has been practically approved. And now the language services

department has it for translation, after that it's going to be sent off. May I remind you the great importance of a summit to ALAC and to At Large in general.

And ALAC is willing to do everything it takes so that it is a real success, a real hit. That is one of the main activities of ALAC then. There is other activities which are not as important. What I should say at that point is that there we prepare for the Buenos Aries meeting. So we are at the point [of stage] of preparation.

I would like to remind you of what Olivier has said, that she said Sally and David Olive had prepared a program on the organization of ICANN meetings. And after the last meeting, we still don't know where that will correspond with the format that we've had so far, whether the format is going to change for the Buenos Aries meeting after they prepared.

So I think this will also be discussed, but still for ALAC and for At-Large we are there. We have expressed our needs and our concerns, and that is a part of the general schedule. And so I would just like to say that we're almost ready for the Buenos Aries meeting. There is, of course, many other details to be – the point, but the general documents are ready, or at least perhaps draft versions of that. Those are the main highlights of ALAC's recent and upcoming activities.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

This is Fatimata speaking. Thank you very much Tijani for this activities. I would like to commend all ALAC members working on this activities

because they are doing a great job. Are there any questions for Tijani at this point? Any comments? Any additional comments?

The second sub item on item number three is recent and upcoming activities of AFRALO members. Everyone has the right to take the floor here. You will see that we've only allotted three minutes for this section because you're all supposed to have published this on the Wiki page. We should think of the solution...

We had decided to publish all of those activities, and there are many members who still don't share their activities. I think Olivier cannot really take the time to wait for every ALS to say what they have done and what they haven't done. So unfortunately, we won't really take the time to do this. Now does anyone have important complaint or then for the next meeting where we should try to be more effective.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: I'm raising my hand says Tijani.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Yes, Tijani, go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you Fatimata. This is Tijani speaking. I have accessed the Wiki on many occasions. There are certain activities, but I think we don't really get an idea of what the activities AFRALO as could be. May I remind you that [?] the new CEO of ICANN gives certain importance to ALAC. He considers them to be the heart of ICANN.

So he wishes that every time he goes to a region, he will be able to enter into contact with the local ALSs and see what there [?] are. So rather than waiting for him to come up to us, I think we should work towards telling him what we're up to.

But it's very important. We should show the world that we are a part of a sector of internet users who are active locally, and how try to foster the internet, and to promote it. So we need to make our voices heard, make Africa's voice heard within ICANN. So to my mind, it's very important that by next meeting we have an item in the agenda to see what has happened, and what can be done to improve the situation if it doesn't improve. Thank you Fatimata.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

Thank you Tijani. This is Fatimata. So for next meeting we will include an item on the agenda to deal with this issue. There is someone who wants to speak I think? We cannot hear properly, oh Victor. Yes go ahead Victor.

VICTOR NDONNANG:

Good evening Fatimata. This is Victor speaking. I just wanted to say that I support what Tijani just said, and there is great need to clarify the responsibilities but also the needs of our organization and the benefits of any organization who is accredited with At Large. I think that is the question which has many times come up, and the internet society [?] level, the At Large community.

And members to really not know for sure what it is that they are getting out of it, so maybe we should add that to the agenda of our next meeting, which is then to somehow define the responsibilities and also the benefits of the At Large structures.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

Thank you Victor. This is Fatimata speaking. So frankly you agree with us. If no one opposes I'm going to take it as accepted by everyone and we're going to move on to item number four. If you have any new suggestions, please express them now, otherwise I will take it that you agree with the suggestions that Tijani and Victor just made, and we will go on.

So we will add an item on the agenda regarding ALS activities. Item number four is items for information. And so first in the list, we have the preparation of the internet governance forum in Bali. We already announced that AFRALO had organized a workshop and it was accepted. And there is a panel organized, currently organized, so as to do some presentation on that item. And I'm going to give the floor to Tijani who is going to explain the IGF which is going to take place in Bali from the 21 to 25 of October.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Fatimata. Tijani speaking. As you know, the IGF is going to take place in Bali in Indonesia. And AFRALO presented the possibility to organize a workshop. It was accepted, so we've prepared all the workshop [?] and the proposal was, the whole proposal with all the information on the workshop, and it was accepted as it was. I just

received an email from the IGF organization telling me that our workshop was considered as a capacity building workshop.

So we are going to create a session on that issue, and I'm going to be among the panelists of this session. So they are going to promote capacity building and we are going to participate to those activities of capacity building, which are going to be organized in Bali. And I remind you that it is the core IGF workshop that we organized, and they were all very good [?] made reserve was – were very good.

And I hope it will be the same for this workshop. AFRALO is the first organization, the first entity of the ICANN community to organize a workshop in the IGF. Now other people organize it too. But sometime ago, we were the only ones to make it. We tried to find some others to travel there and organize the workshop last year.

And this year, ICANN is organizing and standing this workshop because ICANN realize the importance of the participation of the community to the IGF, the active participation, not just the participation, but the idea is to and participate. So last year and this year, we have coordinated participation of ICANN. We are all participating together with the ICANN coordination. Well, I'm finished Fatimata.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

Fatimata speaking. Thank you very much Tijani. And congratulations for your work. Are there any questions about the IGF in Bali, taking place in Bali? Yes, Victor is wanting to make a comment. Victor you have the floor. Yes, you have the floor Victor.

VICTOR NDONNANG: Okay. Thank you Tijani. I just wanted to remind everybody that those who want to be a model driver, I'm sorry the driver, for the IGF, the driver or represent their communities, can go to Bali. So I wanted to tell everybody from At Large to try to register, to participate in the IGF to – there is a call for candidates.

So I wanted to tell you that it's a good way to participate distantly, or remotely, to those activities.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Yes Victor is right. And I wanted to add something. Tijani speaking. Those who [?] can have some training with the IGF secretariat. So if you need, or if you want, to have this training, just ask, just try to contact them. Thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Fatimata speaking again. Thank you very much both of you. AFRALO and the ALS of AFRALO will, I hope will contact them, contact the IGF. Okay, thank you very much. The other item is the community region outreach pilot project. And here it is an outreach program. And it's a pilot project. So it's going to be made to promote the community mobilization among each region and each ALS.

But the project is a test currently, and I'm going to give the floor to Tijani, so he's going to tell us about this pilot project. There is also a Wiki with all the information, so everyone can participate. There is the link on Adobe Connect to this pilot project for community regional

outreach. Tijani you have the floor. Please, can you be shorter in your comments?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Okay. Tijani speaking. Thank you Fatimata. Yes. This pilot project is the result of an ICANN [?] that additional need or request for budget from the community for funding for the community were not satisfied, and they realized that those requests were about outreach. So for the first time, I can say that ICANN listened to the community and created this pilot project.

This project will work with the five RALOs and the five constituencies of the GNSO who are not contracting parties. So if a project for us [?] process, will be a very good thing, and it's a pilot project. So if the result is okay, it will be reorganized next year. The process of this project is very well made, very well [detained], and I will also say strict. So we need to organize [?] ..in a very strict way. Respecting the At Large and ICANN strategies, to be respected, to be accepted.

So we need to do that during the fiscal year of 2014. So before July 14th and the process will take six weeks or at the most eight weeks. This project is about [?] or outreach and we need to organize with our outreach project, that will be funded by ICANN. The Wiki as you already said in the chat, is of course [?]. We are all [?] so if you go to this Wiki page, you are going to see the program, or the details of this project.

And we need to reflect on the way we are going to begin this process. We need some ideas, some good ideas, to implement them in this project.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you Tijani. Fatimata speaking. [?] ..please can you check the Wiki, and if you have some comment to make, please do them through the Wiki, do some [?] ...please you have to participate, as AFRALO you have to participate to this pilot project. So if there are no questions... Aziz has a question. Aziz you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you Fatimata. Aziz speaking. I'd like to add something about what Tijani just said, this pilot project which was accepted by ICANN thanks to AFRALO's work at the level of the meetings of AFRALO in Africa. We wanted to support... We wanted ICANN to support us to implement outreach programs, and I see that it is implementing – they are implementing these older projects, outreach projects. And I'm very satisfied about that.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Fatimata speaking. Thank you very much Aziz. And now, we are going to address the third item, that is to say, the item about working group on the second At Large summit. And we are happy to say that we have two new members of AFRALO that are working with us in this item.

So I know that Tijani already spoke about that, but now I'm going to give the floor to Pastor Peters, who is going to speak to us about the activities of the second At Large summit. Pastor Peters, you have the floor.

PASTOR PETERS: Hello? Hello?

UNIDENTIFIED: Hello Pastor Peters. Go ahead please.

PASTOR PETERS: The part so far on the At Large summit, the summit is about [?] to participating, we have not had any meetings in the last conference call, so I mean I don't really have much to say on that because unless there is a conference call by [?] I cannot particular report any activities. So from the last conference call until now, there has not been any call, conference call for that community that I'm serving.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you very much Pastor Peters. This is Fatimata speaking. Thank you. Tijani do you have something else to tell us about the At Large summit? There is no new – if you don't have anything to add we can move on. Aziz? Aziz is asking for the floor. Okay Aziz, you have the floor. No? Yes, Aziz is asking for the floor. Aziz you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay. Aziz speaking. I just wanted to repeat what we already said about the At Large summit. I think all ALS have received from the ICANN staff asking them to update the information about their ALS, their ALS data. It's very important for to have that information, if they either have changed the chair of the organization has changed, we need to know it.

If there are some new even, we need to know it. So I ask all those who are participating to this call to send their updated – the data on the ALSs to the ICANN staff please.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you Aziz. This is Fatimata speaking again. You're right, it's very important. We already asked that and we need to update all that information, yes it's true. Tijani do you have some more information about the At Large summit?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Yes thank you Fatimata. Tijani speaking. As I said at the beginning of the call, and as Aziz said, the At Large summit committee, organization committee already prepared a draft [?] project to know which were the interests of the ALS or the things they wanted to address during the summit. So this survey has been prepared [?] the capacity building committee asked us to add the part in this survey about training.

So they will be able to know what the ALS wanted to have in the training area, so as to have the summit that interests everybody. So there was a conference call on that issue, and afterwards I was charged to summarize this survey [?] ALS, they can talk about the summit and the last call about the training.

I have send the reserved of my work to the ICANN staff. They send it to translation, and we are going to post it on the Wiki. So now we need to have a good ALS and this ALS needs to participate to this survey. So it's

very [?]. The ALS who are not participating to the summit, to the survey, are not going to go to London. It's very important to participate in this survey.

And we need to update the information of our ALS so as to be able to participate to this survey.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you. Fatimata speaking. Thank you Tijani. Aziz is asking for the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, Aziz speaking. Yes, very quickly. Aziz is speaking. It's very important. We are not asking just an update of the contact information on the ALS, and information on the last activities of the ALS. It's very important to show us because it's a good thing for each ALS to tell us about what they do and to make everybody in ICANN know about what they are organizing in their ALS.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Okay. Fatimata speaking. Preparation of the AFRALO African joint meeting in Buenos Aries is the next item on the agenda. As you know, we always organize an AFRALO African meeting during the general meetings. And we wanted to organize these meetings. Last time we had this meeting in Durban, and we are waiting for the assessment of the meeting.

And we need to send the scorecard. Now we need to work together on a team and we need to organize a draft committee for the draft and statement, as we normally do. And if [?] here, we'd like to know... Yes I'm here. We'd like to know if he has some program or schedule, something scheduled for this meeting so we know what the African community is going to do.

PIERRE:

No. Pierre speaking. No Fatimata, I hope you can hear me. The first thing I think the AFRALO and African meeting has been organized, and taking into account. So I think the schedule is going to be assigned in a few days. And we have – we wanted to work on the African strategy. And we wanted to report that the fact that the two sessions took place at the same time.

So we are going to work from one to two PM, and AFRALO Africa is going to take place another day. So this is the information that I have.

AZIZ HILALI:

Pierre, this is Aziz speaking. Pierre, are you still here? You said... Yes. Aziz speaking. You said – the sound is very, very bad. Yes it's very bad.

PIERRE:

I said that the two sessions are going to take place, the African AFRALO meeting is going to take place on Wednesday from two to three PM. Yes, yes, that is... No, from one to two PM, and for an hour, on Wednesday from one to two PM. This is the meeting, the AFRALO

African meeting, no? Okay. It should – we have to organize those two meetings in the same room.

Yes. Hello?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Hello. Tijani speaking. Pierre, yes, you have the floor.

PIERRE: Yes, yes, I just wanted to confirm that the two sessions are going to take place in two different times.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. We understood. Fatimata are you still there? I think Fatimata is off, so I'm going to lead the discussion now. And say what Fatimata wanted was to know if you will have something to present to us during this AFRALO African meeting, so we can take it into account in our schedule. The schedule that meeting. Okay.

PIERRE: Pierre speaking. I think that this session about African strategy will be just to do some briefing and we are going to speak about partnership also, partnership around the project.

And what I'd like us to think about is this – the participation and the commitment with all of us with the African strategy. So the second session will be an AFRALO African joint meeting and I think we can

... speak about those commitment, the commitment of the ALSs, and the role they have to play, and the role of AFRALO as well.

It's no use to repeat... I'm not... It's no use to repeat this kind of statement, but we can work on an issue. We can work on a problem on a specific problem, for example we need some more commitment from everybody. So this is a very – this is a problem we have, and we can have a project with some [?] schedule, but we can't have conferences for everything.

So what is – in which way can we work together to – this is the kind of question we are going to ask, or we are going to address.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Okay. Thank you very much Pierre. This is Tijani speaking. Are there any comments?

AZIZ HILALI:

Yes. Aziz speaking. I'd like to ask Pierre, I hope you can hear me well. Pierre, I wanted to ask you if you have something that you want to be addressed during the next AFRALO African joint meeting. If there is a special thing that you want us to address.

PIERRE:

Okay. Pierre is answering. Well, about the commitment? Yes, the commitment of the community, that should be one. And the African strategy, that is the other thing that I would like to address. And the research for certain [?]. We can try to understand the kind of

partnership we can have at the African level, because we are working on [?] ...but at the African level we don't have a lot of possibilities when we speak about partnership. So we need to work on that issue too.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Tijani speaking. Thank you very much Pierre. Fatimata you are back, so I give you the floor. And Silvia wants to have the floor.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Fatimata speaking. Thank you Tijani.

SILVIA VIVANCO: If I can speak. This is Silvia Vivanco from staff. I just wanted to mention that we are – yes. Can I speak now? Okay. So I just wanted to mention that we are in the process of finalizing the agenda for submission for translation services.

So I would appreciate it if you can send us the AFRALO African theme, and a very basic draft agenda so we can send it for translation services as soon as possible. That's all. Thank you very much. I will note that as an action item actually. Thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Fatimata speaking. Okay thank you Silvia. As soon as possible, you need it, when is it? What is the deadline of the agenda – the part of the agenda that you need from us? What is the deadline?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. Actually we had a deadline originally planned by the end of this month – of September, but if you can get it within the next week, that would be perfect.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Okay. Fatimata says that she's going to try. Okay. Now, today we are on 2nd of October. So, we are going to try to propose the theme and to send you an email on Friday. And those who are participating to this phone call please, can you commit yourself to sending an email with that theme? Yes, okay.

So please send me your email with the theme that you are proposing, and we are going to post this email to the ICANN staff during the weekend. We need to analyze with the community what we really want to do. It's very difficult to come to a consensus. If we want to be really, to work in a democracy, it's – we need to reach a consensus. So, we will send you something next week Silvia.

PASTOR PETERS: Hello, hello? Can I just ask something. Pastor Peters. Hello? Pastor Peters. Hello?

UNIDENTIFIED: Okay. I'm sorry, but I'm going to leave. I want to thank you for...

PASTOR PETERS: Hello? Pastor Peters.

PIERRE: ...today. Pastor Peters, can you wait a minute please? So I'm confirming that we are – the two session will take place. Pierre speaking. They want – there will be two sessions, don't worry about

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you very much Pierre. Okay. We are almost finished, I think we need 10 or 15 minutes more to finish our call, conference call. Okay. Bye-bye Pierre. Okay. We are going to make an item for information, it was sent on the list and now all the AFRALO...

PASTOR PETERS: Pastor Peters.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: We have now the election of a new ALAC representative of AFRALO. Pastor Peter is asking for the floor. Okay, you have the floor.

PASTOR PETERS: Hello? I was going to suggest that after this conference call, the secretariat who also send out an email to all the ALSs that did not participate in this conference call asking for them to also submit suggestions for the team so that everybody will be informed. And then we will receive as much people as possible. So that would not restrict the [?] – or I just take a part in this conference call. Thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Aziz is asking for the floor. Thank you Pastor Peters, it's a good idea. We spoke about the person who are participating to this telephone call, and you're right. Now I give the floor to Aziz. Aziz you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you. Yes, I just wanted to tell Peter that it's something we do automatically at the ALS level and at the African community, because if we are choosing anything, we ask the opinion to all of the ICANN and the African community. Okay, so there is no problem. Now I was reminding all of the community present today, that we have a new representative of AFRALO that is in the ALAC group.

UNIDENTIFIED: This is [?], I think – Aziz are you still with us? We have a new AFRALO secretary who is still on Adobe Connect, this is Philip Johnson. So maybe he would like to take the floor. In any event, we would like to congratulate him and we celebrate this event for AFRALO to continue to grow.

Of course, we try to keep very high standards, so we will try and do that. [?] If you can hear me, you have the floor now. Can you not hear me? Okay then, congratulations and Mister Johnson will have the floor.

PHILIP JOHNSON: Yes, hello, this is Philip Johnson. I would like to thank all of [?] ...for my candidacy as secretary for AFRALO. And I see that this is a very important challenge. I've been following the teleconference for today,

particularly today, and I know that there are a lot of challenges we have as members of AFRALO.

And I'll agree with the suggestion on the regional outreach, but we also we should also look at the national outreach. It is very good that our stakeholders in our respective community understand what is happening at ICANN. Many of them – many countries or [?] institutions or community represent unless they understand what the [web] of ICANN.

And it's our responsibility. And I thank all of you that supported me. I'm ready to work for AFRALO, and I would definitely make my contributions to the best of my ability. I count on all of you, it is not a huge thing but it is a challenge, and I know working on some time, I would get to understand all of these activities within AFRALO, and I will be able to make a meaningful contribution. Thank you all.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

Thank you very much Philip. This is Fatimata speaking. We would like to thank you. I have to accelerate now, we have to sit up. We have another item which is the accreditation of a new ALS Internet Society Chapter of Nigeria. We have an ALS who has just been accredited and I think this will further energize AFRALO because we have new participants.

And of course there is documents on ISOC Nigeria. And they, as well, can access the documents on the AFRALO so that they can better understand who we are, what we stand for, and which are the ALSs that are represented here, and also about ALAC. Congratulations ISOC

Nigeria. I don't know if anyone would like to say a word here. Yes, Tijani, go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you Fatimata. This is Tijani speaking. Thanks for that info. I would like to complete it by announcing two other accreditations, which would be ISOC Somalia. Oh, I'm sorry, I'm sorry. Okay, yes, go ahead. I'll shut up now, go ahead Fatimata.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: No I was going to Aziz announce it, but it's the same, go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Shall I go on then? We received two other applications, one was from ISOC Somalia that request followed staff due diligence, and we saw some spots which were not quite complete so the staff asked for further information. And on our side, we had some research that we made from a couple of friends from ISOC, and everyone confirms that this is a good ALS because although there is some information missing, it is due to the fact that their working conditions are very hard.

So I would like to advise that this ALS is accredited, even though, as I said, there are many points missing in the due diligence. The second application we received was a request from an ALS from [?] but we still haven't received the due diligence, and that's going to come now. So that's all, thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Okay. Thank you very much Tijani. This is Fatimata. Our fifth item on the agenda was, items for discussion. Are there any questions with regards to this? Thank you. Yaovi? You have the floor Yaovi, yes. Can you hear me?

YAOVI ATOHOUN: Okay. This is Yaovi speaking. Thank you very much. Thank you for all of your explanations and for having allowed me to participate at this meeting. I am currently in the process of carrying out a preparation meeting. So Pierre made a presentation yesterday on an activity regarding the GNS SEC program, and we wanted to make sure that we had more stable and more secure space that was what we discussed.

So I was very happy to participate as the staff level here was really knowledgeable and I didn't have the opportunity to thank him. I would like to thank you all for this, and I would like to tell you all at the same time that your work is very important. I am very grateful for having been able to participate.

I was [?] meeting today, and there were states which were not full members, they were just there as observers. But at ICANN, which you see is that you have an unique model, because whether you feel – you feel that we are all united and I just wanted to say, once again, how important your work is, how important what you are doing for all of us.

I had a chance of meeting [Isaac] personally, and I know that AFRALO has already decided to work with ISOC Ghana, so I tried to participate

with that group and I see the same, but I would leave it to AFRALO's team to deal with that. So that's all, I just wanted to thank you all for your work, for your support, and say that I look forward to working with you so I can [?] continue to improve in the African sub region, thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you very much Yaovi. This is Fatimata. We would like to thank you too for taking the time to come to our meeting and for participating in this meeting. And you'll always have our support, I assure you. So in any event, thank you. Now are there any other comments that anyone would like to make?

I would like to discuss our...

PASTOR PETERS: Pastor Peters.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: ...from – yes, please hold sir. And we have received a few applications. We have accreditation requests for participating ALSs, and I hope that we can all organize ourselves so that they will work out, and we can finish the process, this accreditation process for AFRALO. In any case, we're seeing that there is a process underway. Go ahead Mister Peters.

PASTOR PETERS:

Okay. I was going to suggest for AFRALO to consider being – at last conference, it's probably not last year, only allows for one member per ALS. I was thinking that since ICANN would sponsor just one person, supposing ALSs are also given the opportunity to invite one person extra [?] ...ICANN [?] ...from any ALS, also extend the reach of the [?] ...if AFRALO supports this idea, so all ICANN need to do is follow a letter of invitation to whoever the ALS wants to recognize apart from the official delegation.

Like I said, it will cost ICANN nothing, that the ALS will be responsible for the transportation and the [?] whoever they want to come to this event. This is a possibility that is not [?] ..next year's program is very impressive, in terms of training, in terms of the content. So I'm just thinking [?] if it's a suggestion to be considered.

Then AFRALO proposed to ICANN for contribution. Thank you.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

This is Fatimata speaking. Thank you very much Mister Peters. I think it is a very good idea indeed. Now, ICANN meetings are open so anyone can ask to get an invitation. So it will be up to the ALSs to ask for an invitation. But I think normally, an ALS is expected to participate at ICANN meetings.

Now, to the best of my knowledge, there is no obstacle hampering that participation.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, this is Tijani speaking. Fatimata, excuse me. As you say, at ICANN meetings, and At Large meetings, our meetings are open to all. So anyone who can travel and who can get to the meetings can participate, can in fact, attend any meeting without exception, except for closed meetings which are identified as being closed meetings.

With regard to any At Large meetings and the At Large summit, it's all open to anyone, 100%, there is no limit.

PASTOR PETERS: Yeah, what I mean....

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: No problem for ALSs to attend, they just need to be clear [?] now we have been the intervention of Mister Peters, who is asking? [CROSSTALK] Sir, please, I cannot hear both of you at the same time. Tijani speaking. Each ALS should take people, and there would be a limitation to have them say one person or two, it should be their choice because some ALS only have one person, or at least only one person that we know of.

So that is very bad. And it would be better that we know of more people participating. At least more participation at teleconferences that we would see more people from the same ALS participating so that we know that the ALS involves more than one person.

So the summit is a good opportunity for the whole of the At Large community to come and discuss ICANN issues, and give their comments on the point of view directly, not by proxy or through any intermediary,

but directly. So I would like to suggest – or it's not a suggestion or rather a wish that I have. I thought we should have at least two people per ALS.

I know that contributors sometimes they are not allowed [?] so it is not possible. For those who can send a second person should be encouraged to do so. So for any ALAC member, and for the leaders of the RALOs, I think it would be very interesting to have one person per ALS extra, so that we have at least the people who are already participating and those people might be absent at a given summit because they have other meetings that they have to attend.

Unless there is another representative from the ALS, will not attend the meetings. That's all I had to say.

PASTOR PETERS: Okay. Pastor Peters.

UNIDENTIFIED: Okay. I'll tell Fatimata in a second.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you Tijani. This is Fatimata speaking. I think that is a very good idea and it is something we should encourage. We should have more than one person per ALS. So we should assure this.

PASTOR PETERS: Pastor Peters.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: This will be one of the last comments. Okay, Mister Peters, go on, you have the floor.

PASTOR PETERS: Okay. Thank you. [?] with the users Tijani, we try to support by suggestion. So in this case, it would be wise to propose ICANN that anything that the ALS will submit apart from the official delegate, should also send support letters but would assist that second person to process [?] to attend the program.

So in that case, [?] something official. [?] If that is not ALSs [?] somebody else [?] thank you very much.

AZIZ HILALI: Are they just asking for the invitation letter? Can you please tell me Mister Peters?

PASTOR PETERS: Yeah, it's just the official letter, yeah.

AZIZ HILALI: But that's automatic. You can join or sign up on ICANN's website. Anyone can sign up, anywhere in the world. All they have to do is access ICANN's website and they will automatically receive the invitation letter.

PASTOR PETERS: Okay.

AZIZ HILALI: I can personally send you the link where you can sign up to ask for this invitation letter. You can forward it to as many people as you want, anyone can ask for an invitation letter and they will receive it after 48 hours.

PASTOR PETERS: I would appreciate it if I could have the link.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: We're already late and we've already discussed this matter. This is Fatimata. So everyone can get an invitation letter. So anyone can send the information, that's the way we've always worked. There is an invitation letter, even if it's for a visa, you can just ask for it, it's automatic.

That's all. Now having said that, personally... So I would like to thank you all for your participation in this meeting. I hope these action items are properly written down so that we can follow them. We have some future activities, and I would like to thank you all for your participation. I would hope that the meeting goes on and I count on Tijani for this. I thank you for your participation, or beforehand for your contributions. Thank you.

[Various people say thank you and good bye].

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