

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. This is the ALAC monthly conference call on Tuesday, 29 October 2013. The time is 14:08 UTC. Let's start immediately with the adoption of the agenda and any other business or other amendments.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, go ahead, Heidi. Heidi? I cannot hear you.

Okay. Now, there is going to be an amendment of the agenda. Jean-Jacques Subrenat has told me that he would have to leave rather early, which is a bit of a problem. But then we'll probably be able to call Jean-Jacques before he leaves. That's to do with an update of the program suggested for the Future Challenges Working Group. There is a proposal that this happens immediately after the roll call and apologies quickly. Any thoughts on that?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, go ahead, Tijani.

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TIJANI BEN JEMAA: We will need Jean-Jacques for the two points of decision.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's correct. Well, I was going to ask Jean-Jacques for his reply before he leaves if we haven't reached those points by the time he has to go, so he can provide these. And if he wishes to provide his input in a confidential manner, he can always let staff know via the back channels. Jean-Jacques?

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Olivier. Yes, before I leave I will have voted or will leave a note to yourself or to staff about the way I wish to vote. Thank you. I just put up on the chat the items for the Future Challenges Working Group in case you bring that up soon. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much, Jean-Jacques. Seeing no objections to this change, so we will be dealing with this between agenda items Number 2 and 3. Let's go over to the roll call and apologies.

JULIA CHARVOLEN: Thank you, Olivier. Welcome, everyone, on the ALAC monthly meeting. On today's call, we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Carlton Samuels, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Evan Leibovitch, Alan Greenberg, Cheryl Langdon-Orr,

Maureen Hilyard, Julie Hammer, Ron Sherwood, Hadja Ouattara, Leon Sanchez, and Garth Bruen.

We have apologies from Natalia Enciso, Fatima Cambroner, Sandra Hoferichter, Eduardo Diaz, Holly Raiche, Siranush Vardanyan, and Ali AlMeshal.

From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, Matt Ashtiani, Nathalie Peregrine, myself, Julia Charvolen. And our interpreters today on the Spanish channel panel are Veronica and Sabrina and on the French channel, Camila.

May I please remind all participants to please say their names when speaking not only for transcript purposes but to allow the interpreters to identify you on the other language channels and to speak at a reasonable pace to allow for accurate interpretation. Thank you, and over to you, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Julia. And so we are now in agenda item Number 2.5, I guess. That's the item for Jean-Jacques Subrenat regarding a rundown on the Future Challenges Working Group agenda. Jean-Jacques, you have the floor.

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Olivier. I believe Evan is on the call, so he can add something or correct me after I have finished. Yes, I had suggested and Evan had agreed through e-mail exchange that we should now prepare the next steps for the Future Challenges Working Group (FCWG). I proposed the

following agenda, which Evan had accepted, so I am submitting this to the full ALAC.

The agenda for the meeting in Buenos Aires would be first point, R3. That's making ICANN responsive, something, and respected. I don't remember the second one. We have had a very patchy reaction record over the past few months. It started off very strong, and then after two comment periods there wasn't very much coming along. So Evan and I thought that we should take note of this and consider that we are now in the last iteration of the R3 paper.

If there is no call for further action, we must envisage a certain number of steps, and they are listed in the chat which you can see below. 1B would be official closure – that has never been done yet – followed by an announcement in ALAC and elsewhere that it has been closed. There will be no further comment period. And that would also be a way of delivering a final message to remind people of the existence of R3.

And for emphasis, I would say that I especially found interesting Evan's initiative in suggesting to our chair that he write to the CEO and the chair on the Board about a future meeting in Brasilia and in passing R3 was mentioned, so that was also a way of highlighting the work which had been done.

The second agenda item I was suggesting is the next Future Challenges Working Group work which would comprise of three things. First, I suggested "The Internet as a Space of Freedom: A User Perspective." And then under 2B, a proposed scope and calendar for that work as suggested under 2A. And 2C would be a call for volunteers able and

willing to participate in this work whose title you have just heard me pronounce.

The third item in the agenda for the meeting in Buenos Aires would be transfer of compliance activities to the new Regulatory Issues working group, and that can be addressed more readily by Evan.

And finally, it would be Number 4, any other business. So it's my pleasure to submit this to the ALAC. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Jean-Jacques. And next we have to comment on this we have Evan Leibovitch. Evan, you have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Hi, and thanks, Olivier. My apologies for not being able to raise my hand on Adobe Connect. As was mentioned, this is now my fifth call since Adobe Connect stopped working for me. Cheryl, I think you've mentioned you have the same problem that it has recently stopped working, so Adobe Connect just isn't there for me.

But thanks, Jean-Jacques. I totally concur with what Jean-Jacques was saying in terms of next steps. I would also like to make a request potentially to Olivier and to staff that R3 be submitted to David Olive to put out publicly in the ICANN newsletter that he puts out on a regular basis that has a fairly wide distribution. I would really appreciate it if the R3 document and/or the At-Large letter that was recently sent that made reference to it that Jean-Jacques mentioned could be put in David's ICANN newsletter. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Evan. Any thoughts? I see Carlton having put his hand up. Carlton, you have the floor, and you will need to unmute because I believe staff has muted you. We can hear you now. Go ahead, Carlton.

CARLTON SAMUELS: Thank you, Olivier. I just want to add to what Evan just said that I have circulated the R3 paper to the [resident] strategy planner on the future of ICANN in the [IG] space. Vint Cerf has indicated that he has read the paper and he's accepting the paper as a starting point for the discussion of the strategy group. So I'm using that as a vehicle to infiltrate the R3 paper ideas into the strategic sessions. And wherever there's an opportunity to go there, and I think it is important, that is where I will use the paper for focusing discussion on what we do next.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Carlton. Who has read this? [inaudible] extremely loud.

CARLTON SAMUELS: Vint Cerf is the chair of the panel, and he has sent me a note to say that he has read the paper and he found it very interesting, and we will discuss it in our meeting.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thank you very much. Any other thoughts, questions, comments on this agenda? Okay, so it looks like there are no further comments, so

effectively I think we can proceed forward with this agenda for the Buenos Aires meeting. In addition to this, we could ask David Olive. Evan, just to be sure, you want David Olive to be asked before the Buenos Aires meeting to circulate it, or is this to be done during the Buenos Aires meeting?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Actually, I was specifically making mention to the e-mail newsletter that David Olive sends out. I know I receive it on a monthly basis. I imagine it has a fairly wide distribution, so I was specifically referencing the e-mail distribution that he has for an ICANN newsletter. I hadn't envisioned further distribution at the Buenos Aires meeting. We have had public meetings about R3 at previous ICANN meetings. I'm not sure what specific action at Buenos Aires could take, what form that could take. I was specifically making mention of the conventional media distribution that ICANN uses and its wider distribution that it uses for its newsletter. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay. Thank you very much, Evan. I have a feeling this was already distributed, but maybe I was wrong.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Heidi, yes, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: This is a monthly policy update which Evan is referring to, and I believe that the R3 paper was already discussed previously in that. So, Evan, to just be clear, you'd like both the R3 as well as the ALAC letter [to] Fadi on the Brazil summit to be mentioned in the next monthly newsletter update?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Sorry. If it was in a previous policy newsletter, I hadn't seen it. So if it has already been there, then I wouldn't ask for repetition. But I would like to see the ALAC letter that was recently put out, I would like to see it in that newsletter. And also, like I say, just to triple check that R3 has already been mentioned and if it hasn't to include it now. Thanks.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. Thank you. I don't think any other action needs to be taken [inaudible]. I can just note that. I prepare the At-Large articles for that.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, thank you very much.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Unless you want to make that an action item for me.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Heidi. Well, the action item, let us do this correctly. So let's have an action item for you to check if the R3 has already been mentioned in previous occurrences of the newsletter and in the future newsletter to make sure that the letter to Fadi is mentioned. And let's move on then. Thank you very much for this, Jean-Jacques. Oh, I see your hand is up again. Jean-Jacques Subrenat? I'd like to move forward with this call though, so I'm going to put a bit of pressure today to stay on time.

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Yes, excuse me. There was a thought [inaudible] interruptions. I just want to make sure that the ALAC approves the suggestion to have this in a meeting in Buenos Aires with this agenda which was suggested, right?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, thank you, Jean-Jacques. Seeing that we have reached quorum and there is no objection to this, it looks as though we have a consensus on this and, yes, this is approved. Jean-Jacques? Your hand is still up? Okay, that's great. Thanks very much.

Okay, ladies and gentlemen, let's move on to the next part of our call returning to our original schedule which is agenda item Number 3, review of the action items from our last meeting, the 24th September, last month already. I'll shift through. Well, the closed action items you can all read through. There are quite a few that we managed to tick and to go through with. With regards to the – I'm just re-reading those very well.

Right. Let's move on over to the open action items and take it from there. Further down your page, Matt Ashtiani and Alan Greenberg are to work on cleaning up the various mailing lists, and that's still going on.

Alan Greenberg is to complete the required documents to allow the new Rules of Procedure to be put in place. Once that is close to complete, the chair will put out a call for members of the Board Member Selection Process Committee. I believe that this is actually done, so this can be marked as completed.

Matt Ashtiani to work with Dev Anand Teelucksingh and Olivier Crépin-Leblond on the development of an overall workspace for the collection of At-Large action items. That's still ongoing.

Olivier is to begin speaking with RALO chairs on the ALS decertification. That has still not happened yet.

Olivier and Alan are to inform the ALAC when ATRT-2 documents are ready for review, and that is complete.

Recently closed. I see no one putting their hand up, so let's do the whole page first, and then I'll open the floor for discussion or questions.

Olivier is to follow up with Fadi Chehadé on the question asked by ALAC members regarding why the Registrant Rights and Responsibilities was changed to Registrant Rights and Benefits. Olivier is to request a formal response to this letter. So I've followed up with Fadi Chehadé on this, and the response that was received was that there was an explanation and that staff would be sending an explanation to us shortly.

That was two weeks ago, and I have not had any follow up from staff. I wonder whether we could have a follow up action item on this for – well, either I'll let Fadi know that we've had no follow up from staff or get At-Large staff to contact Fadi staff and find out what the heck the answer is. I'm open for both.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, Heidi, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I've seen some communications from Fadi to the people who are going to be responding, so I'm happy to go follow up with them if you'd like.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Please do so, and please convey the fact that two weeks is a little bit much when receiving instructions from Fadi. We've all been busy, and I haven't seen those people in Bali. So we do need an answer on this one, and it has been a very long time since we've asked the question. We did ask it during the last meeting in Durban. Thank you.

Next, Matt Ashtiani to begin the vote on consultation of ccTLD delegation and re-delegation user instructions and [source of] policy and procedures as soon as possible. And that is done as well.

The newly assigned action items are Heidi Ulrich is to move forward with the appointment of the dotMOBI Liaison as now we have a response from [inaudible]. The call for candidates is to be sent, statements of interest are to be requested, and a teleconference call is supposed to be held. Heidi, how are we doing on that?

HEIDI ULLRICH: I'm still in progress, and it's on my list definitely for things to do this week.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: We've got to do this before Buenos Aires.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, I understand. I understand.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Alan is to provide an explanation on membership requirements and any other additional details as necessary for members of the BMSPC. I believe that's done.

And then Evan, Holly, and Carlton Samuels are to work together to develop a charter and propose initial chairs for the newly formed Regulatory Issues Working Group. The floor is open, Evan and Carlton, about this. Who wants to go first? Let's start with Evan and then Carlton if you want to add.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: I simply said there's no movement of which I'm aware at this point. Carlton may have something to add.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Carlton?

CARLTON SAMUELS: Yes, I had a talk with [inaudible] on this. We agreed that we would leave most of the [substantive] work just before Buenos Aires. We're going to get a chat and circulate it as part of the meeting agenda to discuss it in Buenos Aires. So I suspect we'll have something out by maybe middle of next week.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks very much, Carlton. Now, I'll open the floor for comments on all of these action items. I see Alan Greenberg having put his hand up. Alan, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I did send out a message a while ago as did staff, I believe, that the ATRT draft report is out. I do owe the ALAC and At-Large a summary of pointers to some of the points that I think may be of particular interest and that ALAC may want to comment on, and I'll try to get that out in the next day or so.

The report is very long. The body of the report is about 60 or 70 pages, although there are large sections that one can skip without losing the

output of the report but which go into the rationale on how the recommendations were developed. Although I'm slightly disappointed that a few of the issues are not addressed, there's an awful lot there that I think will be of interest to ALAC and one or two things that are not there but could be in the final report if people speak up. So I'll do my best to identify those and get them out [shortly]. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much, Alan. Any other comments on the action items? Seeing none, let's move to the next part of our call, and we are now into agenda item Number 4, the review of the current At-Large structure applications. And for this, I will hand the floor over to Matt Ashtiani to take us through the list.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Actually, Olivier, it's Nathalie if she's on the call. She's now doing all the [ALSs] if she's on the call.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Fantastic.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Hello. Yes, so for the moment what we've got is two recent successful ALS applications [inaudible] and we have two applications open for regional advice since the due diligence has been completed from FCC in the [inaudible] and HETS in [Puerto Rico].

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you very much, Nathalie. So the FCC is the Fédération Comorienne des Consommateurs, and the HETS is Hispanic Educational Technology Services. Looking forward to receive the feedback on those two applications. And, of course, a big, warm welcome to the Internet Society Nigeria Chapter and to the Internet Society Somalia Chapter. Although, I do have to ask with regards to the Internet Society Somalia Chapter that staff checks the e-mail address again. I have sent an e-mail today to that chapter, and the e-mail has bounced back from Google who is the e-mail provider. So there might be some problem with it somehow.

I note that Tijani Ben Jemaa has put his hand up so, Tijani, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, thank you, Olivier. Exactly I want to speak about this question of the new ALSs and their taking of the survey. I noticed that both didn't do, and I sent e-mail but I don't know what is happening. So perhaps I will ask Nathalie who did the due diligence and who was in contact with those two ALSs try to please to contact them. I don't know how to make them take the survey because if they don't do, they will not attend the summit and I really want them to attend.

Second point, for the [inaudible] application, we just received the due diligence, and we will try to give our feedback very soon but I am afraid it will be too late for the deadline we put for the survey, so I don't know how to do. I want them also to attend the summit. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Tijani. Next, we have Matt Ashtiani. He had his hand up. Matt?

MATT ASHTIANI: I just wanted to comment regarding the ISOC Somalia e-mail address. I have double checked, and it does work. It's just that it does not work consistently, so I will double check to see if there's another means of communication with them and follow up.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thank you very much, Matt. So I see no one else having put their hand up. Tijani, your hand is still up. I'm not sure whether you wish to add.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: No, it's an old one. Excuse me.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: It's an old hand. Okay, so let's move on to the next part of our agenda, Number 5, the reports. And we've got the At-Large reports from working groups, and we've also got the RALO and liaison reports and the ALAC monthly reports. Of course, it's a usual reminder that, please, do send your report in. It's a fast way for newcomers to be able to find out what is going on in the RALO and also what is going on in the other parts of ICANN. Certainly, the two monthly reports that we ask for reports from our GNSO liaison and from our ccNSO liaison. And today, we will start with the ccNSO liaison, who is Cheryl Langdon-Orr. Cheryl,

you have the floor. At the moment, Cheryl, we're not able to hear you, unfortunately. You might be muted.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Olivier, I have a small comment about Somalia.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Go ahead, Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: I received from the president of the ISOC Somalia this following e-mail: "I cannot recall receiving any survey. Please resend." So, Matt, there is a problem. Perhaps I don't know what address are you using, but Mr. Mohamed from Somalia said that he didn't receive the survey.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you very much, Tijani. Let's move on. Seeing that Cheryl has technical problems at the moment, let's start with the GNSO liaison, and that is Alan Greenberg. You have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I won't go into the report in general there. From the last GNSO meeting, there are two issues that I think require some attention of the ALAC.

The first is you will recall that many moons ago, there was a GNSO initiative that raised a number of eyebrows to do the first cut at rules

and processes for cross-community working groups. There was some significant criticism from the ccNSO, and ALAC said, “Why is the GNSO doing this unilaterally?”

The GNSO made it relatively clear, or tried to, that they were putting down what they thought was important to start the discussions. The ccNSO came back with a rather exhaustive set of problems they saw with it and additions that they wanted added to the ALAC, although we made a number of verbal comments, never did anything formal.

As a result of the ccNSO initiative, a new working group is now being struck, and everyone in the community including the ALAC has decided to participate. It’s being co-chaired by the GNSO and the ccNSO and will be kicking off shortly. And I committed that there would be some ALAC participation in this to try to come up with a set of community rules for cross-community working groups. I think that’s all on that item. So we’re going to have to follow through, and I hope my commitment will be honored.

The second one is that there is an upcoming PDP on, it is supposed to be on all the remaining substantive issues that came out of the original GNSO-ALAC group that identified high-priority issues to be dealt with in the RAA. There’s a staff contention that the only thing left that has not been dealt with reasonably well is privacy and proxy services.

I am a little confused that I think at the very least there’s one other item that was mentioned, and that’s warehousing, that has not been addressed. I’ve asked staff for an explanation or clarification on that. If anyone who was involved in that process – and I think Evan is the only

one on this call or the only one who is still active, although Carlton may have been – to go through the list and see is there anything else they believe that should be included in the PDP that has not and would not be addressed other than through that process out of the original laundry list.

So that's all I have to report at this point. There is a GNSO meeting later this week where the issue may well be raised, so time is of essence on that one.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you very much, Alan. Any questions or comments on Alan's reports? Seeing no comments or questions, let's see now if Cheryl Langdom-Orr, our ccNSO liaison, has the ability to speak. Cheryl, you have the floor.

JULIA CHARVOLEN: Olivier, Cheryl dropped. We're trying to [dial back].

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, that's not helping at the moment. I just wonder. Well, let's have a look at the...now let's see, what do we do in the meantime? I don't want to sort of jump back and forth in the whole call. If we can have Julie Hammer in the meantime providing us with a quick update on the SSAC liaison, please. Julie, you have the floor.

JULIE HAMMER:

Thank you, Olivier. Just one item in my report that I want to highlight and that is a Board meeting on the 7th October which approved us and actually proposed by staff in a paper called "New gTLD Collision Occurrence Management." This is in relation to name collisions associated with new gTLDs. Some of the decisions that the Board made were to defer delegation indefinitely for [.home] and [.corp] but while still continuing to study the issues associated with the gTLDs.

They've also instigated a third study which is going to be developing a collision account management framework, and this will look at parameters more than just to number of queries to the root as a measure of potential name collisions for proposed New gTLDs and make some assessment on the risks that may be associated with them and also make recommendations on [litigation] strategies. That study has been initiated, and the framework when it's produced will be made available for public comment. So we'll keep an eye out for that.

The paper also recommends some further approaches regarding litigation approaches. For example, at delegation of a New gTLD, a registry operator will either have had to implement or suggested mitigations or block any other secondary or second-level domain where there have been queries appearing at the root.

So there's a range of recommendations that have been made. Also, [inaudible] de-activation of second-level domains that are found to be problematic as well as that ICANN is to choose an outreach campaign to try and explain these potential problems to innocent people out in the [inaudible] that may be affected but are [inaudible] unaware that they might have a problem.

So I'm happy to take questions. Those are the issues that have lots more work to be done on them. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, well, thank you very much, Julie. I have not heard your report [inaudible]. I hope that the interpreters have managed to understand you. Your voice was a little muffled on my side. Okay, well thank you very much.

JULIE HAMMER: I'm sorry about that, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: It's okay, and hopefully it's clearer for others, but thank you very much for your report. And I now open the floor for questions from anyone regarding the GNSO report and the SSAC report. Do we have Cheryl back online?

JULIA CHARVOLEN: Hi, Olivier. We are still trying to [inaudible].

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Goodness, and Julia, you sound as though you're a million gazillion miles away. What do you say that we...? I gather we don't have Cheryl online. Okay, it's one of these days. Okay, fair enough. No worries. Let's move on through our agenda and go for the next part of our agenda, and

when Cheryl makes it back we'll be able to jump back and have Cheryl speak to us about the ccNSO report.

Just before we jump to agenda item Number 6, I just wanted to remind the RALO chairs and the RALO leaders who are on the call that they need to submit their reports. Several regions are falling behind. Only a month. It's not that bad, but there's a month and then a month afterwards. And of course next month we are all in Buenos Aires, so we'll probably be missing the calls and so on next month, so that will then take it over to December. So please do file your report, and I believe that staff has sent you a reminder for this.

Agenda item Number 6, the ALAC policy development activities. And on this, well, I invite you all to look at the comments page that we have, the policy development page with all of the reports that are on there and the ongoing work that is taking place. First, the recently adopted ALAC statements documents or groups. There are four of them, which I invite you all to read through, and I guess you have read through since all ALAC members have voted on.

They're Confusingly Similar gTLDs, there has been a response from the Board New gTLD Program Committee that the Board with the NGPC is monitoring this quite closely and I guess hasn't made any decisions on that yet but will definitely be monitoring it closely. We haven't really received much more of a reason why .com is visually similar to .cam, and .com is not visually similar to .cam. I'm not quite sure what we need to do on this.

Then the DNS Risk Management Framework Report, I believe this was a public comment process, and our input has gone in there and is all summarized in the staff summary.

Consultation on ccTLD Delegation and User Instructions and Source of Policy and Procedures, that as well has gone into the consultation process.

And the Study on WHOIS Privacy and Proxy Service Abuse, that was another consultation, and that has also gone into the consultation process, so no feedback on either one of these three.

Alan, you have your hand up, so you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yes. I was going to comment on the Confusingly Similar issue. The last GNSO meeting if you look at my liaison report, there was a discussion with Christine Willett on the issue. It goes on for about a half an hour of her talking perhaps for the first 15 minutes or so. You may want to listen to the MP3 on that. It's interesting and perhaps giving a different perspective than you might otherwise have come if you hadn't heard the staff position.

And secondly, if you're not watching the reconsideration requests, they are coming in fast and furious on reconsiderations on the Confusingly Similar objection process. And yesterday, there was a letter filed from Amazon to the New gTLD Program Committee suggesting that perhaps they need to reject the Board Governance Committee recommendation on the dispute that was filed with regard to .onlineshopping and the

Japanese TLD for .onlineshopping which would sound confusingly similar. It's a rather interesting document that bears reading I think in full if this is a topic of interest to you, and it will be interesting to see what happens with this.

The Board Governance Committee has, as they typically do, found that the reconsideration request has no merit, and this letter goes into significant detail as to why Amazon in any case believes that the Board Governance Committee erred. And I personally found the arguments rather persuasive, but I let everyone judge for themselves.

So there's a lot going on on this subject. It's not clear that it's going to be resolved to everyone's satisfaction or anyone's satisfaction, but there's certainly a lot to read on it. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan, for this further explanation on this process. Let's move on to the next part, 6B, statements or endorsements currently being developed, reviewed, or voted on by the ALAC. The first one is the Draft Final Report on Protection of International Government Organization and International Non-Government Organization Identifiers in All New gTLDs. So there is a statements that's on there, and the ALAC is currently voting on it at the moment.

So I think we can go to the next one, which is the Policy and Implementation Working Group. That's a working group which is a GNSO working group. Alan Greenberg is to draft a statement on this. Alan, you have a few words on this?

ALAN GREENBERG: Just that it's not done yet. It should be done before the end of this week, hopefully sooner.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you. I think we can put this on the side. But just asking, though, will you be responding to the questions that are asked, or will the ALAC statement that you suggest be just a general statement on the work of the working group?

ALAN GREENBERG: I haven't fully decided, but my inclination at this point is the latter, that is a simple statement not a detailed response.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you very much, Alan. So now we can look at the next one, which is the Revised Public Interest Commitments Dispute Resolution Procedure (PICDRP). And three people are listed under this one as drafting a statement at the moment: Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Evan Leibovitch, and Carlton Samuels. Who wishes to speak to the ALAC about this? Alan, your hand is still up? Is that an old hand?

ALAN GREENBERG: My hand is up again. In fact, I ended up saying I would draft something, a very short statement on this, and Rinalia accepted that on behalf, I guess, of the drafters. And there was an interesting discussion today, I

think on the ALAC list, but I'm not 100% sure between you and Evan which gave me all the meat I need. So that draft should be out before the end of the day.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Fantastic. Thank you very much, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you to you, Evan, by the way and to Rinalia for pointing out that Fadi had made a statement on the issue at the IGF.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: In the forum at the IGF in Bali. Okay, next one, the Second Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT-2) – long awaited – Draft Report and Recommendations. As you know, neither Alan nor I can really draft a statement on this, but what we can do is to point whoever is going to draft a statement on this, point them in the right direction. I guess that – well, Alan, do you wish to comment on this?

ALAN GREENBERG: I think I said it all already. I had forgotten this was a later issue. I will be identifying the recommendations that I think of particular interest to the ALAC. There may be others, of course, but these are the ones that I think are of interest. You can similarly do the same or augment my report. And I'll be identifying one or two recommendations that are not there that I think are of interest to the ALAC and maybe something wants to be said about that.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Alan, I do have a question. How would the ALAC know about recommendations that are not there when it is asked to respond to recommendations that are in the report?

ALAN GREENBERG: I'm glad you asked that question. One of them because the report explicitly says that the ATRT is considering a further recommendation in line with one of the recommendations but an expansion of it. And that recommendation specifically is to ensure that those who are not adequately funded by their employers to participate in ICANN not be disadvantaged. There is a recommendation that says that with respect to GNSO PDPs, and there is a note that the ATRT it's something we had planned to recommend but never got to the writing stage and we just ran out of time. So we're serving notice that we may well give a recommendation on that, presumably if there is support. So that's number one.

Number two, there are a number of things that the ALAC may have suggested that didn't make the cut, and there's always a chance to push them in if there's enough public comment on it. The latter is less likely than the former.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. Rinalia Abdul Rahim, you have the floor.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Olivier. I just wanted to volunteer to hold the pen for the statement from the ALAC on the ATRT-2 report.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Fantastic. Thank you very much, Rinalia. Very good. Any other comments or question on this? Okay, well, we're waiting for a first draft and of course, Rinalia, you can rely on Alan and myself to provide you with further input. I'll wait for Alan to write his points, and I'll add a few of the points that I thought were worth digging into as well.

Certainly, I just wanted to let you know that I've also discussed – whilst in Bali I have discussed with the Council of Europe the existence of this ATRT-2 report and I will be personally forwarding a copy of the ATRT-2 draft report to the Council of Europe. As you know they have an agenda that revolves a lot about human rights and there are some aspects of these recommendations which might touch on their interests.

Moving on, the ccNSO...

ALAN GREENBERG: Olivier, one more comment.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Ah, Alan, I didn't see your hand. It's back up again.

ALAN GREENBERG: Just to entice people to actually do the reading themselves and not just to rely on Rinalia who I appreciate volunteering for this, some of these

recommendations are almost designed to ruffle feathers, and I think there is some interesting reading there. People may want to go into it. I will highlight one of them, which says that there be a bylaw requirement that advice provided by advisory committees and SOs must be responded on by the Board. That, of course, doesn't ensure that the Board takes the advice, but it casts in concrete what this Board is doing and that is actually reading and responding, so some progress.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Alan. Very good points. Right. Finally, the ccNSO Framework of Interpretation Working Group's Interim Report on "Revocation." I had heard earlier on a few hours ago whilst on the APRALO call Cheryl Langdon-Orr mentioned that she could not pick up the pen but she could be certainly providing some enlightenment about this report. I wonder whether Cheryl is back online. Yes, go ahead.

JULIA CHARVOLEN: We didn't manage to reach Cheryl.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Goodness. That's news. Cheryl is unreachable. Dear. Okay. What I suggest then is – because I must admit I have not read through the report yet on the FoI. I don't know if anybody else has managed to read through this already. This has just come out yesterday, I believe, so it is very fresh. What I suggest is for Cheryl to be able to give us a quick intro on the mailing list and then we'll be able to take it from there. And I

hope that several of us will be able to read through that report. I know it's a longstanding commitment this Framework of Interpretation.

I know that Maureen Hilyard actually has been on a few of the calls. I'm sorry to be calling upon you, Maureen, but I note that you are in the ALAC Adobe Connect room. Would you have any information about this consultation?

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Unfortunately, no. I have actually had a little read through the report but, I'm sorry, I don't have anything to add to it. I have been attending the meetings but really just trying to sort of like get some understanding of the whole revocation thing anyway. So I'm a little bit behind the eight ball, I'm afraid.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay, well, no. That's fine, Maureen. That's okay, and I'm sorry to put you on the spot just like this, but I thought maybe there might be a remote chance. No worries. Let's just punt this to the side, and if we do have Cheryl back on that call a little bit later on today on this present call, then we will ask for her to both speak to us about the ccNSO report but also about this public comment period.

Just to let you know that there is a space with provides us with future policy development public comment requests, and that's linked to the At-Large Policy Development Early Engagement. And that's all for this section.

Any comments or questions for that section as a whole? I don't see anyone putting their hand up, so let's move on to the next part of our agenda, and that's an important part, the naming of the Board Candidate Evaluation Committee (BCEC) and the Board Member Selection Process Committee (BMSPC).

There are two things that we need to do today as the ALAC. We basically need to approve the candidates so that the – I guess I could call upon Alan Greenberg to provide us with a quick rundown on what the rules are with regards to the selection of the Board Candidate Evaluation Committee (BCEC) members and with regards to the Board Member Selection Process Committee (BMSPC) members. Alan, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Sure. The BCEC is the easy one. It's the group with the huge responsibility to go through applications from people who believe they have the credentials to serve on the Board on behalf of At-Large and identify a possibly short list to be submitted to the electorate, which can be augmented by a RALO process as well. That one has two members on the committee from each RALO, and those members are selected by the RALO. The ALAC simply ratifies. And presumably if there were some major procedural problem, the ALAC could send it back to the RALO, but in general it's a ratification. And the ALAC also has the responsibility of selecting the chair. And that's all the responsibility we have with regard to the BCEC.

The BCEC is the Board Candidate Evaluation Committee. The BMSPC – a very awkward acronym – the Board Member Selection Process Committee is the group that oversees the overall election and selection process. That is, it's the group that is responsible for making sure that the rules are being followed. There are a number of issues, such as the timeline which the BMSPC is expected to set based on a whole bunch of criteria. And there will be a preliminary timeline that will be input into the BMSPC for them to work with, but they are not bound to follow that.

The BMSPC also has the kinds of responsibilities of deciding what kind of interactions candidates have with the community. The BMSPC is the group that might be called on to judge whether communications are civil and appropriate and following the kind of standards that we expect of this kind of thing. There are a number of rules that are explicitly left to the BMSPC, such as the selection of a randomization process if that's necessary, the decision on whether to hold a revote in the case of a tie. The rules allow for several options in the case of a tie. The BMSPC has to decide that.

The BMSPC consists of two members per region. I believe the chair is optionally an eleventh person or not. I don't think the rules are specific on that. And the group is selected by the ALAC essentially in consultation with the RALOs, not dissimilar from how Nominating Committee appointees are set, although the rules are a little bit looser than that. And I'm expecting or presume that the ALAC Leadership Team will be making some recommendations on what the ALAC does in regard to that. I think that's as clear a summary as I can give.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. I think that was very clear, indeed. And so we're now going to proceed with the ratification of the BCEC candidates, and I invite you all to go to the Board Candidate Evaluation Committee Member Selection 2014 page. You will note in there that there are candidates listed from all of the regions and which were chosen by the regions. And I do hope that, because I noticed that this page has not been updated, I do hope now that there is an update on those regions that have provided a list of three candidates rather than two candidates. For staff to be able to answer me, I'll firsthand the floor over to Rinalia Abdul Rahim. Rinalia, you have the floor.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Olivier. In the APRALO call earlier today, Ali AlMeshal withdrew his self-nomination which means that APRALO forwards two candidates. That's Ellen and Siranush for the BCEC.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's fantastic. Thank you very much, Rinalia, for this update. So that's one region that is dealt with. Now, let's list through the regions.

For AFRALO, we have Mohamed El Bashir and Fatimata Seye Sylla. That's two candidates. I believe that this then fulfills the criteria.

For APRALO, having removed Ali AlMeshal from the lineup, we have Ellen Strickland and Siranush Vardanyan.

For EURALO, we have Veronica Cretu and Jordi Iparraguirre.

In fact, this page should have definitely been updated and has not been updated. The Roberto Gaetano as the chair is not proposed by EURALO. Roberto was proposed by the ALAC chair as being the overall chair ex-officio for the whole committee. So something will have to be done about this update, please.

For LACRALO, we have Carlos Aguirre and Carlos Vera.

And for NARALO, there are still three names: Andrew Mack, Murray McKercher, and Glenn McKnight. I will now ask someone from NARALO to be able to provide us with an update on this.

GARTH BRUEN: This is Garth Bruen, Chair of NARALO. Am I being heard?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, you are being heard, Garth. Please, go ahead.

GARTH BRUEN: All right, thank you. I believe that we have narrowed the two positions down to two candidates each, and I think that we have submitted Murray and Andrew for that slot, and then the other two were already slated.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you very much, Garth. Much appreciated. Rinalia, your hand is up again.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Old hand. Sorry.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, your hand is down. Right. Thank you very much. So let's refresh the BCEC page. If we refresh the BCEC page, then there we go. Now we have the right number of candidates for each. And so just confirming for NARALO, it would be Andrew Mack and Murray McKercher for the BCEC. And so what I will ask now – and Alan please guide me on the recommendation here. Do we need to conduct a formal vote, or would a consensus call actually work on this? Or would we need to go into, if there are any questions or comments about any of the candidates, do we need to go on camera?

ALAN GREENBERG: I would ask if there are any issues that need to be raised. The ALAC is explicitly not supposed to discuss the merits of these candidates, so I don't see any reason to go into a closed session unless someone feels that there is some significant reason why the ALAC should not be naming someone to one of these slots. And I personally don't know of any, but if anyone has any such concern, we could go into closed session, but I don't see the need for it.

The difference between the consensus call and a vote the way we do it of asking, "Is there anyone online who objects or abstains," is not different. So I don't really care which we do as long as we're sure that we do have a quorum of those on the call voting.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thank you very much. So I guess we can, well, we still have a quorum because I know that Jean-Jacques Subrenat has left, but Jean-Jacques has left his proxy over to – and I believe that we are able to use proxies.

ALAN GREENBERG: We are able to use proxies now. Someday, we need to come up with some formal rules, but in the absences of such rules staff has been notified and that's fine.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. So staff has been notified that Jean-Jacques Subrenat has left his proxy with Rinalia Abdul Rahim, and Rinalia has put it to the record on the chat as well. Great. I therefore ask for a consensus call on this. And I see that there is no one objecting, so by consensus this is carried through and therefore we now have a BCEC member selection list.

Let's move on to the BMSPC member selection. Now, we'll read through the candidates. Now, this is a different process. On this one, the ALAC is naming the Board Member Selection Process Committee. The suggestions which are made on the table that you have in the wiki are just suggestions. The ALAC is not bound to accept those. It could actually indeed decide that other people would be possible for this. So let's read through the suggestions from the RALOs.

First for AFRALO, Tijani Ben Jemaa and Baudouin Schombe.

For APRALO, Fouad Bajwa and Maureen Hilyard.

For EURALO, Oksana Prykhodko and Rudi Vansnick.

For LACRALO, Jose Arce and Dev Anand Teelucksingh.

And for NARALO, Eduardo Diaz and Darlene Thompson.

This, just to remind you all, is the committee that will oversee the process and make sure the rules are adhered to, etc., so it's good to see some names of people who were involved in the first [inaudible] and the first BCEC. Comments, questions, etc. The floor is open. Alan Greenberg, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yeah, I just wanted to comment that I think this is fortuitous. There are two and only two per region. So should the ALAC decide that this list is acceptable, there's not a lot of discussion. I think this list is an interesting combination of people with experience and some who are new to the process but all intelligent [inaudible] people who I think can work to make sure that the overall process is run smoothly, and I'm pleased that it can have worked out as well as it looks like even though we were a bit late in getting out the call for membership. We also, by the way, need to name the chair of the two groups, which we can do afterwards.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay. Thank you very much, Alan. Any questions, comments from anyone? I don't see anyone putting their hand up or anything. So what I would ask again here is for a consensus call. Just to be clear, there was a discussion yesterday that took place, and a special At-Large Leadership

Team – that’s what it’s called now – the ALC. It used to be called the ExCom. So there was a call with each candidate being discussed, and the result was pretty much what we have today with no changes to the lineup as such. So effectively the only thing that we need is to ratify this list. Any objections to the list that we have here? Seeing no one put their hand up, the motion is carried by consensus.

So we now also have a lineup for the BMSPC. Then I will confirm the chair for the two groups. For the first group, the BCEC, Roberto Gaetano who was a board member – a very, very qualified person – will be leading that group. I think he’s going to do a great job and I really wish that group the best of luck. It’s a fair amount of work to be able to read through all of the CVs, etc.

For the second group, I think there was a suggestion of Tijani Ben Jemaa. I see Alan has put his hand. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah. I should note, the ALAC must approve those members. It’s not just the chairs’ prerogative.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Well, fair enough then. Sorry. You just said the ALAC must approve those members – must approve the chairs, yeah?

ALAN GREENBERG: Chairs, yes.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, that's correct. So this is why I'm listing them at the moment. So that's Roberto Gaetano on one side, and on the other side, on the BMSPC, the suggestion was made that it would be Tijani Ben Jemaa to chair this, although Tijani is actually part of a region that he could share this. As we know, there's not going to be any vote as such. There's unlikely to be any votes as such in the BMSPC. It's more of an oversight rule than anything else. So, Alan Greenberg, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG: I'll just point out that the ALAC has a chair that votes on issues that require votes. There's nothing wrong with that. So if the group needs to vote, the group will vote, period.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, perfect. Comments, questions? No? Any objections to these two chairs? No objections on the call. So then I will ask staff please first to note that we have the two chairs now, we have the two committees. Could you please take us to the next steps? Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Hi, everyone. Yeah. The next steps would be that staff will be organizing the first calls for both the BCEC and the BMSPC the week of the 4th of November. We'll be doing that. We'll be also updating the Wiki pages, and I believe creating the mailing list for these two groups. I think that's it. Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Fantastic. Thank you very much and good luck to the two groups in carrying out their work. It's a very shortened timeframe, so they've got plenty of work on their plate. Let's move on from agenda item Number 7...

ALAN GREENBERG: Olivier, can I make one comment?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, sure. Your hand is up again.

ALAN GREENBERG: I just realized there's a name that was on the BMSPC list who declined and was just appointed to the BCEC that people may not be familiar with and that's Jordi Iparraguirre. He's a very interesting person and I'm glad to see him participating more. He was with .cat for a long time until very recently and was on the GNSO Council. He's just recently been appointed as a NomCom appointee to the ccNSO replacing Mary Wong, and he's participating actively in At-Large. He may be the only person doing all three things in such close succession, so I'm personally glad to see him there.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. And I note that the great thing about the BCEC is that we don't deal with the usual suspects for most of them. We

will notice several new names, including Andrew Mack who is [inaudible] elsewhere in the ICANN world. You will also notice Carlos Vera, so that's a great new entry. Well, Veronica Cretu has already been busy with us. Oh, of course. Ellen Strickland I note also in the list. So it's great to see new people getting involved.

Let's move on. Ah, more people putting their hand up. Carlton Samuels, you have the floor.

CARLTON SAMUELS:

Thank you, Olivier. I wanted to echo Alan's sentiment about the people who are on the committee. I'd especially like to see Andrew Mack there. Andrew worked with us on the Applicant Group Working Group. He came through the business constituency, but I can tell you that he's well-respected in my part of the world where we come from. So I am personally pleased to see the new blood we managed to put in this committee.

I just wanted to ask you if it would be good for you to briefly outline what the intended rule of these committees are. I know Alan [inaudible], but I want to emphasize with the [inaudible] BMSPC Committee. This is not a committee that's going to rewrite rules. This is a committee that is intended to infer and [inaudible] rules that are already written. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Yes, thank you very much, Carlton. That's a good point to make. I think [inaudible] touched on it, but yes, it's there to oversee the process and

make sure the process is adhered to and runs smoothly. So that's quite clear as we are. Let's move on. I think that Cheryl is back online. Cheryl, are you back with us?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Indeed, I am.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Fantastic. So Cheryl Langdon-Orr, you have the floor now to catch up on two items which you were unfortunately unable to provide us information about. The first one is the ccNSO Liaison Report, and the next one is the ccNSO Framework of Interpretation Working Group's Interim Report on "Revocation." Let's start with the ccNSO report. Cheryl, you have the floor.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you very much, Olivier. As usual, my ccNSO Liaison Report is continuously update and I'd just refer everyone to the link for that page. [inaudible] thing other than the Revocation document, or chapter I should say, from the Framework of Interpretation document coming out for public comment is the expectation that the ccTLDs have been in, which is dot-bj have recently applied and by the 30th of October one would expect them to be member number 142 of the ccNSO.

If you want me to hop now immediately to the Framework of Interpretation (FoI) Work Group who are seeking the public comment on the initial interpretation of the current policy guidelines related to revocation, and revocation is one of the prime precursors to things

which are called redelegations and the matter of delegation and redelegation of ccTLDs in particular, but also gTLDs, has been dealt with in another recent statement that the ALAC has, I believe, voted on. So I don't need to go over what the difference is between all those terms are.

This is another step towards the completion of the work of the Framework of Interpretation Work Group. It would be good if the ALAC wished to simply do a [inaudible] short comment on the clarity with which the terms referred to in the chapters on revocation and the basis then by which IANA, as the IANA operator, can rescind responsibility for the management for ccTLD from a manager and redelegate. We've got a number of countries within our At-Large community with ALSs who are very aware that this can be a matter of some angst and some confusion and the FoI Work Group hopefully has come up with [inaudible] of clear interpretations which are unambiguous and will make not only IANA's job easier, but also a great deal of clarity for all parts of the community involved.

I cannot, however, be the pen-holder on such a statement having been a pen-holder on the document we're reviewing. But should you wish to make a statement, I'd be more than happy to assist you [inaudible] pen. One final point is, however, if you choose not to do this at this stage as you have not necessarily done for all the preceding chapters, then there is another [inaudible] because the complete Framework of Interpretation will be up for yet another public review. Olivier, I would've thought you [inaudible] because you heard me say pretty much most of that in the APRALO call earlier. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Cheryl. Unfortunately, during the APRALO call, [inaudible] only half working and obviously that ear wasn't working too well. That was very early on this morning. But thank you for all this information, for all the updates. I will ask for a volunteer. Once people have read through this report, a volunteer to pick up the pen. Alan Greenberg, your hand is up.

ALAN GREENBERG: I'm sorry. I don't know when that was put up, but I'm not there anymore. I'll lower it shortly.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you. And I can assure you, you still are there. It's just your hand that is up. That's all. Next is going back to our previously-scheduled programming. Item Number 8, the Working Group update. There are two people who are listed. First, Sandra Hoferichter for the Academy Working Group, and also Eduardo and myself for the At-Large Summit II Organizing Committee.

[inaudible] regarding Sandra, because she has supplied an apology and I understand that she is away on holiday. Will anyone be able to fill in for her by any chance? Tijani Ben Jemaa, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Olivier. Hello? Do you hear me?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: You have the floor. Go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. So ICANN Academy, as you all know, will have the pilot program that will be held in Buenos Aires. There's three tracks. The first is the online platform, learning online, first part. Second part is, how do you say? Huh. The third part is the leadership training program, which is if you want the work of the ICANN Actually Working Group. The other part is about managing the meetings, etc. [inaudible] the name and [inaudible] will be done by people out of the ICANN Academy Working Group.

But it is in fact [inaudible]. The list of the participants is almost finished now. It is almost known, and we will not have trainer, as per say, but we will have the participants that will facilitate some sessions. Olivier is one of them. I don't know what do you need information about that. I think it is that. It is not – if you want to have more, it depends on the program. I cannot speak about that. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Tijani. I have the program in front of me. We've got part one, which is the online learning platform; part two, the facilitation skills training.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Facilitation skills, yeah.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: FST. And part three, the orientation training (the OT). And you just mentioned the [updates]. We basically have a number of participants who will be actually taking part and who will be taking the position of trainers, so I'll be teaching the "How does [inaudible] coordination work?" Cheryl will be having a session on "Competition, consumer trust, consumer choice, and the global public interest."

And we've got sessions with Robert Gara, Thomas Rickert, Mikey O'Conner, Reg Levy, Sebastien Bachollet, and possibly Nigel Hickson and also Avri Doria. All of that during the part three, which is taking place along two days – the 15th of November and the 16th of November. It all starts the 13th of November day one, 14th day two, etc.

And then there's a part four, which is a feedback where participants will be asked to provide their feedback and the working group will discuss how to move forward.

Rinalia, you have your hand up. You have the floor.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Olivier. I just have a question, which perhaps Tijani can answer or even you, Olivier. I was wondering whether the presentations that are being prepared for the participants of the training session will be made available on the Wiki, so that others who are not in the workshop itself or being trained can have access to the material.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Tijani, do you know?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes. Normally I don't think it will be, but because the presentation will be very short, the intention is to make the facilitator only introduce the discussion and make the discussion go for more time than any presentation. Until now there is no decision about publishing any material of the training, but it could be done if there is material done, material prepared. I think it is easy to publish it, no problem.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks very much, Tijani. Any other questions or comments on this? I don't see anyone else putting their hand up. So the next one is the update from the At-Large Summit. Eduardo, are you on the call? I don't see Eduardo on the call actually, just looking at this. Nope, we are missing Eduardo. So it looks as though I'm going to be providing the update on this.

So we've had the Survey Working Group, sub working group, of the ATLAS Organizing Committee that has done its work and the survey has been sent to At-Large Structures worldwide. There has been a moderate response to start with, with an enormous amount of work done by staff and also by the regional leaders to try and get all of their At-Large Structures to respond.

Reminding everyone that it is mandatory for an At-Large Structure to respond if they wish to go to London. Only a handful of At-Large Structures have not responded yet. I've given the green light for the

survey to still be open until the end of this week, but there is a call later on today of the ATLAS II Organizing Committee Survey Working Group, and I have asked staff to compile the details, already start compiling the details of the replies that we receive so that the working group tonight can start work on the replies.

Bearing in mind we have 160 At-Large Structures and there are only, I would say, about 20 of them that have not responded, of which it's probably likely that we'll get five or six more responses. It's quite obvious that the process needs to move forward now. I'm very concerned about the delay in moving forward with this committee.

So I see both Alan and Tijani have put their hand up. So Alan Greenberg, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Just for clarity, my understanding is that the deadline is being waived for those ALSs that are not currently ALSs but will be approved before the end of the year, although presumably they will have to have completed the survey very soon after their accreditation. Is that a correct assumption or not?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Alan. Yes, that absolutely makes sense. If we accredit the ALSs after the deadline for responding to the survey we can't just stop them. So of course the deadline is waved.

ALAN GREENBERG: I thought, though, we've said that the end of the year is the absolute deadline for that, though.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's correct, yeah. Actually, there is a question with regards to the NARALO ALS, was it pseudo-ALS with the unaffiliated members, and I hope that you will have managed to fix this over with NARALO, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah. We don't have a formal process. I will be raising the issue with the affiliate members in the next day or so. We need to come up with some process, which may be saying an essay saying "what I want to do in London" or maybe a random draw. We'll try to come up with something equitable.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. Next is Tijani Ben Jemaa.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Olivier. My first question was addressed by Alan and that's okay. My second question, which [inaudible]. As you know, now the 25 persons funded by At-Large for the meetings are always the same people. We don't know from those ALSs, only those people who come to the meetings and I think that the objective is not to have them always – they were deciding on behalf of the ALSs, now we want the ALSs to come to decide themselves. So I propose that those people who are already funded to come to the meeting, we take the second person

of this ALS to come to the summit, so the summit will be attended by ALSs, by a representative of ALSs not always the same representative that decides on behalf of the ALSs.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, that's correct, Tijani. That's my understanding as well. I believe the staff might correct me if we're wrong on this. I'm not quite sure of the exact numbers, but I think that's the case. Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Sorry. In terms of the number in the budget allowed, is that what the question is?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Correct.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I believe it's 160 total. Again, the ALAC members will be representing their ALSs.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So 160 including the ALAC. It's not 160 plus the ALAC.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Correct. I'll double check that, but that was my understanding.

ALAN GREENBERG: For clarity, 160 including the 25. Okay. Which is more than ALAC.

OLIVIER CRÉPN-LEBLOND: That actually is more than the ALAC, so Tijani, unfortunately if people are already funded to come through the ALAC or Regional Leadership funding, that is actually included in the 160. We do have spare slots through ALSs that have not responded, and of course we will be able to reallocate those slots. Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes. Olivier, I have a big concern about that because I don't think the objective is to make the same persons who already decided on behalf of their ALSs to [bring] all the meetings of the ICANN to be the same person who will also decide on behalf of the ALSs.

And I have another concern that is a lot of one person ALS, and this is something that bothers me a lot, and bringing another one from the ALS will really give another dimension of our summit.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Tijani. I share your concern, but I think we should've addressed this when we filed the budget to start with. We're about eight months too late for this discussion, unfortunately. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yeah. A couple of things on this. First of all, I believe first and foremost, this is an ALS decision. We can make a recommendation. It's not our job to select the person from the ALS. That's number one.

Number two, I don't know whether we have a process by which we identify who's going to come and who doesn't come if we exceed the quota that we estimated in the budget. So that's a real issue if we were try to mandate this.

And lastly, I too have concerns about one person ALSs, but saying you have to find another person in the street that you're going to yank off and bring does not solve that problem. That's probably the worst way we can fix that problem is by saying, "You have a free travel slot. Find a friend you'll bring with you." So we need to address the one person ALS issue, but not by offering free trips to fix it.

So I do question, however, if everyone on the 25 authorized travels decides not to be their ALS representative and someone else comes. How do we handle the possible budget overrun? Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Alan. With regards to the budget over, I believe some ALSs will not be responding, so we will have some spare slots. And of course, we are likely to have a surge in new ALS applications. I have actually met with several potential At-Large Structures in Bali, so hopefully we will be getting some input very soon, some applications coming in which would take us around the 160-ish mark, even if we have 10 ALSs or more that do not respond to the survey. I emphasize the deadline at the end of this week is the absolute deadline. Whoever

has not responded will not be coming to London. That, actually, I think is a fair point because if we do have a new At-Large Structure that wishes to go to London to do some work and to integrate with the At-Large community, then all good for them to receive the funding. I think it's entirely fair.

Just one more note with regards to additional funding and sponsorship. I have spoken to the representatives from Google and from [inaudible] in Bali and they are due to come back to us with a proposal very soon.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Good. But one single point I want to add, Olivier. I don't propose that we ask them to bring another one to be funded. We have on the application first contact and second contact, and [inaudible] the second contact that is in the application. So it will not be one from the [road] as said Alan. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Tijani. Let's move on and let's go to Agenda Item Number 9, the review of the At-Large meeting schedule. Oh, just before that, of course, I just want to make sure with staff, did they receive my e-mail instructions on this, on the At-Large Summit II OC? Because I understand that there is a call that will take place, is it later on today or tomorrow? No, it is later on today in a few hours. Go ahead, Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

So I've just been in contact with Carlos who supports the survey. He has commitments on other teleconferences most of the time, but he will be

working with Matt to have just the preliminary data available to the survey group, but again, because of time commitments, he won't be able to have done any research/analysis of the results. So it's really up to the survey group to take a look at what the results are and then do that analysis.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thank you very much, Heidi. I have Evan Leibovitch. Evan, you have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Hi. I just wanted to call attention to the fact that there are two RALOs that have a pseudo-ALS for unaffiliated representatives, and NARALO has had one for some time and I believe EURALO has recently constituted one. I just want to make sure that those two are not left out of the mix as you're counting the 160 and so on. I believe NARALO is still involved with picking its unaffiliated rep, the person that will be attending the summit on behalf of the unaffiliated members. I mean, we understood very early on that not all of the unaffiliated members would get to go, but they would get to choose a representative from amongst them. So that's still ongoing. So I just wanted to make sure that that was continued to be tracked as you count the unaffiliated representatives amongst the 160. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Evan. All right, let's close this chapter. Let's move on to the next agenda item, the review of the At-Large meeting

schedule for the 48th ICANN meeting in Buenos Aires. So I hand the floor over to Heidi Ullrich.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Thank you, Olivier. This is Heidi. Very quickly, I just want to let all the chairs of the various meetings, if you have not yet sent staff your agendas for these meetings, please do so by this Friday at the very latest. We're going to be sending all of the agendas as we have them to translation this Friday. Just the next point that we have added the page, which I've already put into the ALAC chat for the training sessions and we'll be adding the agendas now that we've seen the draft of them into this page. Then the next item, Olivier, is really up to everyone is the questions to be asked to the various – the senior staff into the various departments that you'll be meeting with. So we'll start putting that information into the chat and you can deliberate among yourselves on the questions you'd like to ask. Then we'll go ahead and forward those to the staff that we've already invited. Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Wow. Thank you very much, Heidi. That was supposed to be 15 minutes long. I'm not quite sure. Are you thinking that we need to [start] setting it up now?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Well, it would be nice, or at least as a reminder, we've already sent reminders to everyone to do that. We have a few questions, mostly

from Evan and Rinalia. But again, I think there were just a few of those pages. Matt, could you start putting those links into the AC chat?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So we've got the links currently at the moment in the chat. I see that Rinalia has put her hand up. Rinalia Abdul Rahim, you have the floor.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Olivier. There's something that I would like to [raise]. Both actually pertain to Roberto Gaetano. I know that during our ALAC policy discussion under hot topics, we will be discussing board candidate selection, as far as I recall, looking at the schedule. It might be a good idea to invite Roberto Gaetano to participate in that because I know that he will be in Buenos Aires.

The second point that I want to make is I think in the past month also I had sent an e-mail to you and to staff asking for a short amount of time, perhaps around 30 minutes or so – maybe 20 if there's not enough time – to have a discussion with the ALAC about engagement in policy development process. And of course Alan can contribute to this because he has a lot of experience, but we don't actually discuss this in our community. And even though the SO/AC will have a cross-community session, I think that it will be important as us as the ALAC and At-Large to actually touch on it briefly before we enter into that bigger group, even if they're going to touch it or not. I'm hoping that this will happen under the policy discussion [too] or whatever it is. But if that's going to happen, then it will be important to have Roberto Gaetano there and

Alan Greenberg, because these are people who have experience and who may have chaired PDP processes in the past. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Rinalia. I hope that staff has made note of this. So let's go into each one of these subsections, first starting with the questions to – where are we now? – to the AC/SO leadership meeting questions.

So that effective is the Monday afternoon discussion. That's going to be a cross-community discussion that's back now on track. There is a suggestion from Evan Leibovitch using this for a policy versus implementation discussion. I'm actually quite happy with this. This has already been put somehow on the cards. There was some discussion that came out of the Bali discussions that part of this session might be used to also have an ICANN-wide discussion on the coalition that is currently being built between the ISTAR organizations, the technical community, and others including civil society that are being invited to join together. So it's quite likely that there will be a discussion on that as well. I don't know how much time will be there to be able to treat more than two subjects, so it might well be that if we lend our support to having the coalition discussions and the policy & implementation discussion there, we're on for a good selection of topics. Comments or thoughts?

Seeing no one put their hand up, let's go to the next one and the next one is the GAC questions (the Government Advisory Committee). And [inaudible] made two suggestions. The first one is the New gTLDs and

the public interest and the second one is a liaison question. Now the New gTLDs and the public interest is something which I think is entirely fine as well, and that will open the door to being able to discuss the PICDRP, enforcement of the dispute resolution provider regime, although you might have seen on the discussion earlier that there was some talk of a button that people could press on the ICANN website and file a complaint directly rather than having to go through a dispute resolution and [new] DRP, etc. That's certainly one thing we can discuss.

The liaison is something that's a little more, I wouldn't say complicated, but that's actually currently going through another process and Alan will correct me if I'm wrong, but I believe that one of the ATRT-2 recommendations with regards to the GAC is that the GAC engages some reverse liaisons, as they call them. Is that how the GAC calls these? Reverse liaisons? Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yeah. I know we discussed it. I honestly don't remember if it's there or not. I know that there is very active discussion and I believe close to appointment of someone from representing the GNSO to be on the GAC and presumably participate in their meetings under some terms or other. That's, I believe, close to [inaudible] complete. I don't really recall if there is a similar more general recommendation out of the ATRT. I honestly can't remember at this point.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

It might therefore be a good idea to have this as a subject of discussion with the GAC.

ALAN GREENBERG: Certainly.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Excellent. Okay, so that's the second one. Now, the next one, the ICANN Board questions. The ICANN Board questions at the moment, if I can find it. GAC Board questions. Evan suggested three – no, two – suggestions. One policy & implementation again, and the other one is the consumer service. The ICANN [inaudible] public either the consumer of ICANN Internet end user. Now, that's interesting because a little earlier last week in Bali, Fadi had a similar description of who the consumer was and who was the customer for ICANN.

On that occasion, he mentioned that it was a registrant that was the customer. I'm not quite sure whether it was an oversight or whether he said that and whether he actually meant it. I was quick to correct him later on, but I guess the matter has still somehow been unclear. It might well be a case that we need to make the matter absolutely clear on that respect in order to have an official [line] from ICANN. Alan, you have the floor.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah, thank you. I think it was at the last meeting, maybe two ago, but I think it was the last meeting Fadi made it exceedingly clear that the end user was the customer of ICANN, the registrant was the customer of the gTLD [inaudible]. If he is changing that exceedingly clear position now, that is a subject of significant concern and obfuscation. He may have

misstated, but he made it very clear in multiple sessions I believe at the Durban meeting of the distinction between the end user, the end customer of ICANN and the end customer of the gTLD division.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you for this, Alan. I then believe that this must've been a [genuine] mistake from him last week. This I understand was one of the hardest weeks he's ever had, specifically in his position as the CEO of ICANN and it's been extremely intense. I do know offhand and informally that it has been a very, very intense week. He has had some days with [90] meetings, so it must just be a mistake, an error.

But would you say then, or would anyone else here on the call say, that touching on the customer service is something that we need to touch on? If this was already something that was so clear during the last meeting in Durban.

ALAN GREENBERG: I think Evan's point is not who is the customer, but what kind of service are you giving to them.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Well, depending, yeah. Evan, please, you have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Hi there, and thanks. I wanted to reiterate what Alan just said. The issue is simply a matter of saying, okay, Fadi has put his stake in the ground

and saying that the end user is the customer of ICANN. If that's the case, ICANN has absolutely miserable customer service; and if that customer service is what I'd put as the heading of my set of questions there in terms of compliance, in terms of how the PICDRP is being rolling out, ICANN is demonstrably taking a step backwards from public service in that it is making things hard for whistleblowers, it does not allow for third-party interventions on the PIC, it has put in anti-whistleblower measures into its conventional compliance measures.

So I would say that if ICANN is saying that its customer is the end user, its customer service is probably worse than an American cable company or most airlines. And in that respect, I think that something needs to be addressed. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thank you very much, Evan, for this additional information. I was wondering, there was a question which was effectively who was ICANN accountable to? And the recent statement from Fadi Chehade was that ICANN was not accountable to the U.S. government anymore. ICANN should be accountable to Internet users, to the end users, to everyone. Is this something that we could intertwine somehow into this customer service subsection? Evan?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Thanks, Olivier. I personally have specific comments on this in that formerly in a nonprofit corporation, accountability is to the membership. ICANN has explicitly circumvented that rule as a nonprofit.

At the end of the day, what is the fiduciary duty of the board of ICANN? The fiduciary duty is not to shareholders, it is not to members. ICANN's fiduciary duty is to itself, which is very, very unusual in a corporation and really addresses a culture of accountability or lack thereof. Is it relevant to this issue of customer service? Yes, but probably not as closely as you think it is.

Customer service, when I think about it, is as any company would do, what is the relationship that you have with the people you defined as your customers? If customers are end users and end users are impacted by the domain name system, then ICANN has to bend over backwards to serve its customers. In some cases, priority over its suppliers.

So if a customer has a complaint against the supplier, that is simply like going to a store and saying, "I have a problem with this product you sold me." Do you support the product or do you support the customer? This is a very, very fundamental cultural issue ICANN has yet to deal with. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Evan. I notice the time is ticking and we do need to get through this call pretty soon. We still have a couple of things that are open here. The Global Stakeholder Engagement questions, where Rinalia is suggesting, "Please provide a briefing and update on stakeholder engagement efforts since Beijing highlighting achievements and challenges." If anybody else wishes to add to this, I think that's a very worthwhile thing that that probably would be coming as a given, to

have a briefing and then maybe we might have some questions to build on that.

Then we have the communications department questions, where Evan asks in there, “What access does the At-Large community independently have to ICANN communication channels?” Very worthwhile point and question on this. And whether we could establish protocols and allow ALAC statements and solicitations to go further using the appropriate distribution channels. Certainly in our outreach for input.

And then there is the Buenos Aires topics for the public forum workspace, and that is still desperately empty for the time being. No doubt we will be finding something to add to this. I don’t see this as high on the list of priorities as the other ones, which we would need to fill in in the next couple of weeks.

I hope that you will be able to look at this after this call, please, and add your comments on the Wiki pages and let’s move on to the next agenda item. Heidi, have we finished just with the 48th ICANN meeting in Buenos Aires for the time being?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yes, as long as there are all questions for these groups, that’s fine. Because if there’s not absolutely urgent (i.e. this week), but the sooner the better on that.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Fantastic, thank you. So items for information now, we’ve got three agenda items left. We have only a few minutes. Let’s first start with the

ALAC chair term renewal. And for this, I'll [inaudible] on Alan Greenberg who has finalized our new Rules of Procedures to explain what is happening at the moment regarding this.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Okay, thank you. We do have a rule that I will read out in full. It's Rule 8.1 from the Rules of Procedure. It says if the chair is still a member of the ALAC in the year following his or her selection, is willing to continue in that role and subject to the eligibility rules of paragraph 5 (which the current chair is eligible), the chair's term is deemed to be automatically renewed for a second year without any explicit ALAC action.

So at this point, since Olivier was selected as chair last year, his current appointment falls under this clause. And if Olivier is willing to continue serving for a year, then de facto, he is the chair and we have no action that we need to take. So we need to formally ask Olivier, and I presume we will do this shortly in an ALAC internal e-mail or something like that. And presuming the answer is yes, then that's a done deal and we need to start the process for selecting the rest of the leadership team. That's a process which is relatively well-described in the Rules of Procedure and needs to be carried out before the end of the annual general meeting, which is the end of the Buenos Aires meeting. It could be done earlier than that if it's [clean] and there's not much contention.

So at this point, we will be waiting from the confirmation from Olivier that he is willing to continue serving. If he is, then we have no action to require on that. If not, we need to scramble quickly and select a chair.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. And I just can't wait for the suspense of Olivier's answer.

ALAN GREENBERG: Well, Olivier could answer now if Olivier chose, but I don't think we should push Olivier to do that.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I think we can follow-up afterwards. I think there are very few reasons for Olivier to say no, though, so that might be giving you a hint.

ALAN GREENBERG: We might come up with one or two if you'd like.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: He might change his mind in the next 15 minutes before the end of this call. If we can go to Agenda Item Number 11, the update on the 2013 IGF. And that's Olivier again who has to provide a quick update on this, and others as well.

It's great to have seen the number of people that have made it to the IGF that were funded this year over to go and I guess represent the community and to perform out outreach, etc.

I haven't got a written report as such, but just looking at – or remembering a few things offhand. First, the ICANN desk was manned, was occupied, almost entirely with At-Large volunteers, and that's something which has been really noticed and which many were pretty

much in awe about. A special mention goes over to Maureen Hilyard for having spent an enormous amount of time at the table, including the very early morning sessions. There were others who also were part of this. If you have a look at the actual link that staff has put on the Wiki, you will notice the table with the volunteers who were on the ICANN table.

Unfortunately, the table was not in a very good location, so we didn't have that many people coming over to the table to discuss ICANN at At-Large matters, but I did take my [inaudible] and went out to the other booths that were there in another part of the complex and spoke to several local Indonesian potential At-Large Structures, providing them with a full evangelizing of [permission] that we do, and hopefully – and I do have their cards – hopefully we will be having some positive results and some applications from at least one, if not more than one, Indonesian At-Large Structure. So really, well done to everyone who was there at the table. It was really, really good.

With regards to the workshops which were organized, AFRALO had a workshop called "How can the Internet be an engine for development and growth?" I have a few pictures from that workshop. It was very well attended in the region. About 80 people, if not more than 80 people. Very, very successful.

APRALO had a workshop on the next in internationalized domain names, [inaudible] diversity in the Internet [route]. Again, very high-quality discussions. Very, very interesting. Lot of people attending as well.

So these workshop really made the difference. They were, as you know, as you can see on the page, there were other part of ICANN that also had some workshops running and it all went really well. So that was all very positive.

With regard to the main subjects of discussion at IGF, there was certainly the security and stability of the Internet, and the children online sessions were still very well attended and were hot topics. But then there was also a hot topic of Fadi Chehade launching a coalition of ISTAR technical [community] and civil society organizations that would work together to keep the Internet what it is today and keep it as open as possible.

This was first met with some suspicion by members of civil society thinking that ICANN was trying to take over the Internet. In fact, the number of rumors that were flying around made sure that at the end a couple of ad hoc meetings were creating. One was [staged] for the ICANN community and of course was open to everyone, and then Fadi moved over to another room to visit the civil society organizations that were preparing a response to this, certainly having taken everyone by surprise.

But Fadi Chehade explained that ICANN was not going to [lead] this. This whole initiative have started up with a statement in Montevideo, which then led to a discussion between Fadi Chehade and President Dilma Rousseff in Brazil for some kind of meeting to take place in Brazil, possibly in April or May 2014.

Beyond that, really what Mr. Chehade wanted to do was to step back and let the community build that meeting. It was not an ICANN meeting. It was not a Brazilian government meeting. It was definitely not an ISOC meeting either. It was something for this coalition that had to be led by civil society.

So the civil society organizations basically short-listed four people, who I think three of the four are Brazilians, to work on this. And that's where we are at the moment. There's a lot more going on I guess outside now in the IGC governments e-mail lists and so on. It's a matter of overall worldwide governance of the Internet, more than just domain name.

There is some concern of course that ICANN is somehow expanding its mission and might be operating outside its bylaws, which mandated just to deal with names and numbers. But that's a discussion which I think is going to be ongoing and which has been occupying most of our evenings in Bali as well. That's really the overall thing.

Oh, just one more thing to mention. I was very pleased to be invited to the Board breakfast every morning. In fact, all of the SO and AC chairs that were present in Bali were invited to the Board breakfast on a daily basis which was really great, because I was able to relay the concerns of our community to the Board members that were present, and also be able to coordinate with the Board and with Fadi and staff as well that were present what the action plan was for the day.

And that's it. Thank you for the opportunity of this. I see Garth Bruen has his hand up. So Garth, you have the floor.

GARTH BRUEN:

Thank you, Mr. Chair. Very quickly. This is Garth Bruen, chair of NARALO. I just wanted to let everybody know who doesn't know already that former ALAC member Gareth Sherman passed away, and I'm going to be collecting thoughts from people who knew him, worked with him and I'll be available to talk about this in Buenos Aires. I want to put together a [circle ID] article with everybody's thoughts, just so his memory is kept with us. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Garth. That's of course in any other business. Thank you for bringing this up. I think that we should also be holding maybe a one-minute silence for Gareth in Buenos Aires. He was a very, very esteemed member of our community and loved by all. It certainly was a shock to hear of his passing away. And of course condolences have been passed over to Gareth's family.

[inaudible] the two points together, since we are at the end of this call. If you have any further question about the IGF, please feel free to send me an e-mail. That will be absolutely fine. [inaudible] action item [inaudible] hoping we could do the one-minute silence on the Sunday when [inaudible]. And it might well be that it will be time when we have already people there and so on, but that's fine. That's still [inaudible] Gareth Sherman.

Any other other business? I see no one putting their hand up. So I'm glad to say that after two hours of constant speaking, we're able to take a break now, and I thank all of you for having lasted that long. I thank the interpreters as well on the Spanish and on the French channel. You

must be absolutely exhausted. And thanks to all the staff who has been able to support us today. Heidi, Julia, Matt, Sylvia. I'm reading this off the Adobe at the moment because my brain is completely fried.

Thanks to all of you and see you all in Buenos Aires. Have very, very safe trips, everyone. Take care and goodbye.

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