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TERRI AGNEW:	Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. This is the At Large Subcommittee on the selection member for ICANN accountability and governance coordination group, on Monday the 29th of September, 2014 at 15:00 UTC.
	On the call today, we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Humberto Carrasco, Barak Otieno, Satish Babu, Juan Manuel Rojos, Maureen Hilyard, Judith Hellerstein, Fatimata Seye Sylla,
	We have apologies from Yrjo Lansipuro and Holly Raiche.
	From staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Ariel Liang, Gisella Gruber, Kathy Schnitt, and myself, Terri Agnew.
	I would like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. And very quickly, Glenn McKnight has joined us as well. Now back over to you Olivier.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:	Thank you very much Terri. It's Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. And so today, we are hopefully, if we can, we're going to be choosing candidates for the ALAC seat on the accountability and governance coordination group. Now that coordination group is particularly important. It's not the same, not at all the same thing as the coordination group for the IANA stewardship transition.

On this occasion, we have just one person that will be able to sit on that coordination group, and I wish I had a link to the actual diagram, which explains this. But I gather that you all know it, where you've got, on the one hand, a group of experts, on the other hand, a coordination group, and on the third hand, there will be a cross community group where everyone is now basically asked to go and attend and register at.

So, effectively what we're dealing with here is an important position, because that person will be our link to the future, well to the decisions that will be made on this. I believe that it is the coordination group that will actually have all of the most important decisions, and that's why it's so important to have a very good link to that. Someone who can behave as a liaison on this.

And someone with the knowledge, and the background, and the coordination about the accountability and governance process itself. At this time, at this point in time, I note that Ariel has put a link to a diagram, yes. You've made the magic happen. So I invite you to have a look at the diagram which Ariel has linked to in the chat.

Just a little quick update before we start our discussions. There is still an ICANN wide discussion on this accountability process. And there have been some, there has been a 21 day period, comment period that just finished. Where the ALAC has supported a statement by the registry stakeholder group, and in fact the majority of ICANN supported organizations, and stakeholder groups, and advisory committees, have actually supported that statement.

And so what we might see is actually a few more changes with regards to the ICANN accountability and governance cross community group. At the moment, that group was created by staff and is not following the standard cross-community working group guidelines, which are the norm in ICANN, because here it says, "Appoint participants to the coordination group, which maybe members of this group, or from the broader stakeholder groups.

Identify issues for discussion or improvements, and provide ongoing input to the coordination group." That ICANN accountability and cross community group appears to have a totally open membership, so it's a little bizarre that it would appoint participants to the coordination group. And there certainly is going to be some clarification on this.

What we're dealing here with here is the ICANN accountability and governance coordination group, not the cross-community group, but the coordination group. We have one seat on there for the ALAC. The coordination group will meet for the first time on a conference call, I believe, in about a week's time, and then they will meet face to face in Los Angeles as well. That's the aim.

It might be that the conference call does not take place, because some parts of ICANN might not have filled that ETF. And hopefully, we'll be in time to fill that seat, but this whole process might be delayed by another few weeks, who knows, if the requests that are in the statements take time to be implemented, and I've also just learned a few minutes ago that another complaint has been filed also regarding this process, and regarding the IANA stewardship transition process.

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Actually, sorry, let me just apologize, sorry. It's actually regarding the IANA stewardship transition process. So let's keep that aside. We're dealing here with coordination. And so, we've received a number of candidates who have sent in their expression of interest, that would be interested in taking on this position. I can see at the moment that we've got one, two, three, four, five candidates.

And so the process that we've had so far is to send out the same sort of survey, ballot type, straw ballot form that we used in the other process, which is, well which some of you have participated in. When you selected someone for the… We selected two people for the IANA coordination group.

This time we need to select one person. And so, I think that what we need to do now is to go forward, since we are going to be looking at the applicants themselves, and looking at the results of the straw poll. As you know, our discussions are confidential, because we're discussing candidates. And of course, we want to be as candid and open as possible when discussing candidates, and at the same time we don't wish to hurt the candidates reputation or…

This is a standard procedure in At Large, to protect the candidates and their privacy. So what I would ask then, first if there are any questions with regards to the process, and if there are no questions, then we can proceed forward with going in camera, which will mean that we will stop the recording.

So first, are there any questions on what we are going to do today? I see no one put their hand up. Yeah, well, I guess you're all seasoned selectors, because the majority of you have been on the first committee. So, then let's go, if we can, in camera, please.

So let's go back into the main part of this call, and let's start the recording again.

TERRI AGNEW: And this is Terri. Confirmed, recording has started.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Terri. Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking for the transcript record. So the selection committee has been looking at the list of candidates, and has selected out of these five candidates which we had, have selected two people to go into a second round. And the second round will take place by ballot, that will be an online ballot.

There is not going to be an additional call of the selection committee. There has been enough discussion of the candidates here. So the ballot will take place this week. I believe it is a five day ballot, it could work. Maybe closing on Friday this week. And that's the way forward. So there will be another email that will be sent to the candidates, of course, but there will be certainly another email sent over to the selection committee for those people that were not able to be on this call, and to explain to them the process forward.

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So two things. Email to the selection committee, and also the ballots starting forward. I thank everyone on this call for having attended. And it's very tough to select people because you see the qualities of everyone that are ready to spend time on a volunteer issue, and unfortunately we only had one seat to fill on this occasion. So it's not easy at all.

And to think, "Well, everyone has got their own skills, and various sets of skills…" It's a tough one. So, I thank you all for this. I hope I didn't get lost in the recording. Am I still here?

TERRI AGNEW: Hi Olivier. This is Terri. We're able to hear you still.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I'm still here, okay. Well, if I'm still here we might have lost Satish on the call. But thanks to everyone on this call. And just in time, good morning, and good afternoon, good evening, goodbye. This call is adjourned.

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