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My goal is to insure that Internet access and use spread throughout the world and make the maximum contribution possible to economic and social development in all countries for everyone. ICANN is a key player in enabling the Internet to be used effectively, and I want to see it evolve in a direction that supports that goal.

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