
ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. So, we will start with our LACRALO monthly meeting. I welcome you all, and thank you to our interpreters and thank you to the staff for their effort.

So Terri, could you please proceed with the roll call?

TERRI AGNEW: Certainly. Thank you. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. This is the LACRALO monthly teleconference on Monday, the 19th of January, 2015 at 23:00 UTC.

On the Spanish channel, we have Cristian Casas, Aida Noblia, Humberto Carrasco, Alberto Soto, Johnny Laureano, Fatima Cambronero, Tatiana Toculescue, and Carlos Aguirre.

We have no one currently on the English channel or on the Portuguese channel.

We do have apologies from Leon Sanchez, Maritza Aguero Minano, Juan Manuel Rojas, Sergio Salinas Porto, Sylvia Herlein Leite, Natalia Enciso, Alan Greenberg, and Jose Francisco Arce.

From staff we have Silvia Vivanco, Rodrigo Saucedo, and myself, Terri Agnew.

Our Spanish interpreters are Veronica and David. Our Portuguese interpreters are Esperanza and Pettina.

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I would like to remind all participants to please state your names before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much and back over to you Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Terri. Please Humberto, go ahead with the adoption of the agenda.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto Carrasco speaking. Alberto, could you please adopt the agenda because I am not at my computer, I'm still on my way home. So could you please deal with that item on the agenda?

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Yes of course Humberto. The agenda that we have right now, we have on item number four, and here we have Rodrigo Saucedo, so I would like to thank him for his presentation to speak about the ICANN strategy for our region. So we have item number five, that is a review of our action items.

Item number six, we will speak about the webinars. This is one of the projects that we have already agreed upon, and we are about to start, and Rodrigo Saucedo will be the first one, our first speaker, on item number seven. We will deal with a survey, assess the profession expertise of members, of LACRALO members.

Item number eight will deal with documents being reviewed. We had a webinar on [inaudible] and Humberto will speak about that, and will

speak about the work being carried out in terms of those documents. On item number nine, we will speak about the working group report. We will have the IANA transition and the governance working group. Sergio Salinas Porto sends his apologies, so we will speak about the IANA implementation.

And on item number 10, we will have the report on the NomCom, but Sylvia Herlein Leite is not able to participate on the call, so that item will be dealt with in the future in some other meeting. On item number 11, we will speak about LACRALO elections. And item number 12, I have sent an email to Vanda and Fatima just to speak about ALAC policy development activities, but I don't know if they will be able because Alan is not here on our call.

If not, we will deal with this topic on a future meeting. And then we have any other business, that is item number 14. So is there any other business that you would like to add to this agenda? I see no one with their hand up.

I would like to add an item on this agenda, and this is simply a replacement in Singapore of Humberto, because Humberto, due to personal reasons, will not be able to travel to Singapore. So that is the last item that I would like to add on the agenda. And of course, we will speak about the capacity building cycle and so on.

Now, I would like to deal with item number four. I will give the floor to Rodrigo Saucedo. Rodrigo Saucedo, you have the floor, go ahead please.

RODRIGO SAUCEDO: This is Rodrigo Saucedo speaking. Thank you very much Alberto. Can you hear me okay?

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Yes, go ahead please.

RODRIGO SAUCEDO: Rodrigo Saucedo speaking. Okay. We are uploading the presentation.

Not a long ago, we delivered a presentation, together with Rodrigo de la Perra, speaking about the regional strategies. I'm not going to explain that again. I'm not going to talk about the strategy in of itself, but I would like to speak about the different projects that are being developed, and that are being implemented.

So the first project that we are dealing with, together with LACRALO, is project 2.7.2, that is the code, and that is to organize webinars towards different users with different levels of knowledge, in terms of ICANN issues. The group involved with this is Alberto Soto, Humberto Carrasco, and Dev Anand Teelucksingh. I won't go into details because later on Alberto will deliver a very short presentation about this topic.

The objective of having regularly this type of presentation with different updates for the strategy, the objective of this is that LACRALO and its members are updated in terms of the different activities being carried out in the region, and perhaps they will see a project that they might be interested in, and of course, they're invited or encouraged to participate in that project.

There is another interesting project that is being implemented. And this has to do with the observatory, or the project 2.6.2. That is to have an observatory to monitor the different incidents of security and stability of the DNS in the region. And the idea is to create that entity to see the different incidents in the region.

This project is being led by [inaudible] from Chile, [inaudible] from LACNIC, Juan Manuel Rojas, he is also a member of this project and he is also a member of LACRALO, Antonio [inaudible] from Brazil. These are the members working on this project.

So far, this working group has created a document describing the project in general, and also the different requirements and the metrics necessary, or required for this project.

Then we have the different, other approaches. We have project 2.3.3, and this is a project that involves the creation of [inaudible] for the different stakeholders in the region, to participate in different academic activities and outreach activities, focused on ICANN and Internet governance, in order to make the notes of their experience and to promote active participation to the region.

This project is being led by [inaudible]... and [inaudible] and [inaudible] from Brazil. So far, this project is being implemented. They're working on the creation of a document to establish the overview, the guidelines of this project. The idea is to create a database with all of the necessary information with the names of members being involved in academic activities and capacity building activities. And that information will be uploaded into a system for the community, the Latin American and the

Caribbean community, be able to access this database, and use the information as required.

Or when they need to know the names of certain members from certain countries who participate in this project. Then we have project 2.9.1, and this is to create a new [inaudible] of new stakeholders in the region. In this case, we include ISPs, and telecom operators. This project has been led by Cristian [inaudible] and [inaudible].

They're starting with a project. They're now working with a document to set the guidelines of this project. Then we have the, another [inaudible] and that is ccTLD development. There we have four projects, 4.6.1 and this to support a study to develop a business vision, or a business view, for ccTLDs.

And this is being led by [inaudible]... from dot Guatemala. We are, when it comes in this project, they already have the initial document with their objectives, and the general objectives and the strategic objectives for the project. And the [inaudible] reference have already been presented for a contractor to perform this study. Then we have the second project that is 4.6.3, that has to do with financing different activities for ccTLDs.

And this project is led by [inaudible]... This has to do with funding internship. They are now creating a document with different guidelines. And the working group is deciding upon the architect, and deciding upon other topics, to be able to have an internship on different areas. Then we have a third project, that is 3.2.1, which has to do with

introducing or helping LAC TLDs to perform a survey for ccTLDs in the region.

This project is being led by [inaudible] from LACTLD, [inaudible]... Next week, they will deliver a document with the guidelines of the project, and the same applies for the following project, project 3.2.2, which has to do with including a curricula for ccTLDs in a new platform. Here we will create specific content for ccTLDs.

Then we have another project, it's called [inaudible] Caribbean. There we have project 2.1.5, and this is to create a working group to collaborate with the CSE manager from the Caribbean region that is [inaudible] Daniel to promote participation from the Caribbean region in the ICANN infrastructure.

A working group was already created. This working group has nine members from the Caribbean region, and they are now working on drafting the scope of this working group. And then we have project 2.1.7, and this was to promote a high level dialogue among different governments from the Caribbean region, in terms of ICANN related topics.

And this is an objective being added to the previous working group. So they will deal with this project in that working group, or within that working group. There is another project that is to create groups of interest, that is 1.2.2, and the idea is to deepen participation and engagement in international and regional forums, such as E-LAC, or LAC-IGF, in coordination with other regional organizations related to the Internet.

This project being led by [inaudible], she's from Brazil. And the members of the working group are [inaudible]...

The working group has already presented a document with the guidelines, the basic guidelines for this process. And now they will start working on the objective. They will set the general objectives for this working group. Then we have a second, another project, that is a supporting project.

I don't know why that title is in English, but this is a supporting. The idea is to support existing [inaudible] events related to ICANN, particularly those that would focus in the region. This working group, or this project is being led by Dev and Alberto Soto. And the objective, or the idea is, to link this project with a CROPP project.

We have spoken with Dev and Alberto and perhaps there would be a possibility of adding a next draft trip for LACRALO. And to conclude, and as I've said before, I think that the most important thing in this type of presentation is not only to have an update in terms of the different activities that are carried out, but also to encourage you and to invite you all to participate, to actively participate, not only this is a LACRALO related project, but also in any other project that you might believe or think, that are interesting.

So this is my presentation. Thank you very much.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Are there any questions? Are there anybody on the English channels that would like to ask any questions? Carlos Aguirre would like to ask a question as well.

This is Alberto speaking. Rodrigo, I have several projects with the ccTLDs in the region. I was about to ask what was included in this project within the Caribbean area. That is considering this is one of the areas that needs to have a greater consideration, because of the reduced infrastructure in place at the time. But I also see projects 2.1.7 and 2.1.5.

2.1.7 shows an approach to those governments, not only to spread out ICANN's [reactions], but also to try and encourage the government to take certain measures. So here is my question. If any person working on ccTLDs, I mean, can they work to coordinate with those who are working on 2.1.7 and 2.1.5?

RODRIGO SAUCEDO:

This is Rodrigo speaking. Thank you very much Alberto. Actually what I have just mention inclinations with the project for the development of ccTLDs, it's what we have started. There are four or five additional projects, with inclinations of ccTLDs. So there are no projects establishing specifically a support for ccTLD development in the Caribbean.

However, this project are actually focused on ccTLDs. Of course, more our mid-sized ccTLDs. What we want is precisely to put the ccTLDs that are, or that have been growing for a long time, or that have actually grown at a slower pace. So what we want to drive them so that ccTLDs

can take in account the complexities of more developed ccTLDs. And in connection with your question of whether we are going to work on the working group of this 2.1.7 or 2.1.5 project, actually we are going to do that.

Arthur Daniels is in charge of the region. He's aware of all of these projects. And if I'm not mistaken, this week he will call a meeting to work with the working group, and he will deliver a presentation similar to this one. So that they are aware, and they can get involved in other projects [inaudible].

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Rodrigo. Now Carlos Aguirre has the floor.

CARLOS AGUIRRE:

This is Carlos Aguirre speaking. Can you hear me?

Thank you. Here is a question Rodrigo. And first of all, I would like to apologize because I don't have my computer here with me. I am away from my city and I only have a telephone line. I would like to know if this presentation that you made, and that I could not see, if it will be available so that we can analyze this, to have a better look at it, and see how we can get involved in each of these groups?

And the other question, within the same issue, is will we be able to have a link or some kind of participation. Because these are regional strategies that you referred to is something that we started to build with in the Buenos Aires meeting. I remember we had a meeting and all

of this was raised. But then, it may be my fault, but I had no other news up until this excellent presentation you have given us, to the working groups that we have made.

That I have not had any additional information. Maybe this could be shown or present better, so that more people can get involved. And I would like you to provide us with a link or somewhere where we can see this regional strategy very graphically and clearly, so that we can join these project participation and involvement.

RODRIGO SAUCEDO:

This is Rodrigo Saucedo speaking for the record. Of course, I can leave this presentation for you, and I'm going to share two links so that you can download. Those, the regional strategies, as well as the implementation plan. The implementation plan sort of puts some order in this strategy into different groups, and it divides this into two implementation periods.

Now, with respect to your questions, undoubtedly, the strategy was launched not more than a year ago, at the Beijing meeting if I'm not mistaken. And throughout this time, we have implemented five pilot projects. The first one is a roadshow, then there is a communication plan and finally, there is a capacity building, a capacity building project on [inaudible] which is also being implemented in all of the [inaudible]. It is a space for Latin America and the Caribbean in this meeting.

And then there is an emergent response team for the ccTLDs. These five projects, which have progressed [inaudible], since I was hired around eight or nine months ago, we started to work on an

implementation plan for the rest of the projects. There are actually around 45 projects. Now, we are implementing the [red] now.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Thank you very much Rodrigo. I would like to thank you for the participation. This is Alberto speaking. And we now know we need to meet. Let me tell you that we will have an [intercession] meeting with Rodrigo and his respective working group.

We will decide the different issues and we will keep you posted. Thank you very much. And I invite you to stay in the call so that you can hear us in our meeting a little bit.

RODRIGO SAUCEDO:

Thank you very much. Of course, I will stay. And thank you for this space. Thank you Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Rodrigo.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Now this is Silvia Vivanco speaking from staff. I just want to join and thank Rodrigo Saucedo for this excellent presentation. And remind him that both the English and Spanish LACRALO mailing list are at your disposal so that you can send us all of the updates regarding the progress of this project, so that we are all aware.

I personally would like to see what are the stages of the project. If it's an initial or middle stage. It would be very interesting to see details on that. So the LACRALO mailing lists are at your disposal. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Silvia. We're now going to go back to item number five, the review of the action items. Humberto, please go ahead.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

This is Humberto speaking for the record. Many of these action items that we see here, well many dealt with in this same meeting. For example, we agreed to prepare a survey to access the ccTLD members and regions. And, as you know, we have already done this. So this will also be dealt with because it will be launched very soon to assess the professional expertise existing within LACRALO.

Now with respect to item number three, the regional map being prepared. Well this is something we have tried to make uniform. We have tried to synch this with what Rodrigo Saucedo has mentioned. And the last action item refers to the organization of a webinar. Actually, this webinar has actually been organized on January 5, to discuss three issues of public policy that I will refer to later on in item number eight.

So we actually are conducting all of the action items. So I think we should now go to item number six.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Humberto. We will now go to item number six, and could you please upload the presentation that I sent. We will talk about the webinars, one of the projects that has been developed with ICANN.

We have actually been working since before Los Angeles with [inaudible] and in Los Angeles, I think Rodrigo had started to work with us, and since then we have been working.

One of the intensions of all of this, is to try to complete our own training. I'm going to send you the link including our training plan. I think it's open right now.

This is the link to our training program. The idea is to join efforts to avoid useless effort. As Fatima said many times, there are many courses that have already been developed online. And there are many of you who have not taken it, I want you to try and take it. So the idea is not to deal with those issues that are being explained all of the time, because they are very well explained, and they can be used by any person who is interested in getting aware of those issues.

And if any of you has any specific or special interest in any of those issues, and we need to have a webinar or a specific course because it is not have the focus that we need, then we will do it. We only ask for some time that you should submit this, with some time. And we will do it.

There has been a document that was developed, this is what we are seeing right now on the screen. And this document has the agenda for the, would be two works on purpose and objectives, frequency and

duration, language, and then we will talk about the target audience, and finally these topics for those webinars.

I hope you can all see this on screen, or if you can actually scroll. Can you scroll the screen and follow the slides?

SILVIA VIVANCO: This is Silvia speaking. Yes, we're actually scrolling it from staff.

ALBERTO SOTO: Okay. So let's have a look at the purpose and objective of these online seminars. The purpose of this type of webinars is to update the regional community in various activities happening in ICANN. But also to educate new stakeholders on topics of interest.

Updates may include the latest global and regional initiatives happening in ICANN. And education can include, and this is something we have discussed a lot with Rodrigo, certain topics that require more focused discussions. So let me give you an example. If we talk about WHOIS, there are those of you who may be interested in knowing how WHOIS actually works, that is how it technically works.

Not all of you would be interested in this kind of in-depth knowledge on WHOIS. That maybe others will be interested in the protection of personal matter within WHOIS. Very recently, is the WHOIS attacks. So there were a few theories, and there may be those who are interested in protection of personal data in WHOIS.

I'm not sure if this actually should be dealt with in two different webinars. Maybe we can deal with this within the same training in our meetings, but it could be a webinar topic. The objectives of these webinars is to keep the current regional [inaudible] with, up to date on the events happening in ICANN.

It would also be directed to new stakeholders and hopefully a better integration in ICANN's process and to get them engaged. There is a discussion saying that not everybody can have an opinion on anything, and I fully agree with this, but there are those who can give an opinion on certain issues, and when these people can give an opinion on these issues, when they are not present then there must be someone who can give an opinion on those issues.

So we are seeing that our training, and our webinars, are actually good not only to be updated, but also to train those who can later on have an opinion, or give an opinion, or even talk about different issues [inaudible] the webinars. It's a way to get renewed. We believe...

I'm going to talk about the frequency now and the duration. We believe the best frequency would be to have these webinars on a monthly basis, with a 90 minute duration. And actually, that will be 60 minutes to deal with the speakers and the 30 minutes for the Q&A. We're going to see what is the target audience now, and we will see that this will have an early date.

And the time needs to be announced at least two weeks before the webinar takes place. The language of the seminars, or the webinars, would be in Spanish or English. There will be a channel for translation.

So what is this target audience here? We talked about reusing effort, and actually is making efforts for training. Not only in each of the regions, but also for each of the components of the multistakeholder model.

So these webinars are actually oriented to all these multistakeholder parties. And we will then call upon you to urge civil society, the governments, and the technical community to attend those webinars. There will be no restrictions at all for this kind of webinars. And the issues that we dealt with will be coordinated, and LACRALO will be the organization proposing the issues on the topics that we dealt with.

So we're going to pre-define these issues, these topics, facing the ICANN GSE and LACRALO. We have been discussing this in meetings already, and those... That is actually, the capacity building group in ALAC... Well Fatima has already asked what is the issue for these capacity building that will actually be started in ALAC. I have also asked the region to talk about, to deal with this, with ICANN GSE and with Rodrigo.

So what we have done in the last meetings, and we will continue to do this in the next meeting, is to take the issue of what has been important to Fatima, so that we will not overlap efforts. And in the worst two cases, there will be an overlapping of these issues, that perhaps not [inaudible] overlapping of focuses on these same issue. So this will be coordinated with Fatima, with each webinar with a lot of time ahead so that we avoid this overlapping effort.

So this has been my talk, and I am now open for questions. Please go ahead.

CARLOS AGUIRRE: Hello? Can you hear me? This is Carlos Aguirre. I have a question for you Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto. Carlos, go ahead please.

CARLOS AGUIRRE: This is Carlos Aguirre speaking. Well first of all, I would like to say that your presentation is excellent. I was not able to read it, but I was listening to your presentation, so it was a very clear presentation. And this is a very important, this is a key point. That is to say not to overlap effort, and not to generate costs that are not necessary.

The idea is to have different focuses on this, different approaches. This is something that we need to develop. This is something that we need to work on. I know that you have something already prepared. I heard that you were working with Rodrigo and with Fatima on, Fatima is working very well on this. So I believe this will be a very good activity that would work.

And I would like to participate with you.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Carlos. Dev, go ahead please.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. This is Dev Anand speaking. Thanks for the presentation Alberto. I guess my concerns are that this seems to be overlapped with the At-Large capacity building working group activities. And I wonder if this is going to be a bit duplicative effort, because I'm not seeing what is the specific capacity building issue that could not be handled by the At-Large capacity building working group.

You mentioned Fatima Cambronero as a member of that working group, and that is correct. I'm also a member of that working group, and in fact, there are several other persons listed as members of the capacity building working group.

I guess my big concern is that this is going to be a duplication of effort, because the capacity building sessions are open to anyone. There is interpretation provided. So I'm not seeing what is different with this program. My question to you Alberto is, if you are concerned with particular capacity building issues, why aren't you presenting them in the capacity building working group?

Because I think these issues are applicable and of interest to all of At-Large, not just Latin America/Caribbean. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Dev. Well, the thing is this. We have our training program. We collaborate and we try not to duplicate efforts, but we want to move forward. That's why we're making the most of the courses that are being developed, and we said we are not going to repeat the topic.

What we are doing right now is not overlapping activities. Not long ago I said, we work together with that working group, and we will verify the different approaches, because sometimes, or perhaps, we may need certain approaches. And that is our main difference. Perhaps we may have different approaches, and we will give different approaches. But we are planning from here to the end of the year.

So we will work as much as we can, and we will coordinate as much as we can, with the capacity building working group, no problem with that. We won't have an overlapping of our activities. And once more, we might generate or create a webinar and you may see a difference here, because we are providing webinars and we are not delivering online courses.

That might be one difference. There is a group developing webinars, and perhaps, in this case, we will have full collaboration because we have prepared one topic perhaps before this topic is being prepared by the capacity building working group. And since this is going to be an open webinar, there will be no problem. Fatima, you have the floor. Go ahead please.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO: This is Fatima Cambronero speaking. Thank you very much Alberto. I was muted. Thank you very much for your presentation, and I was also typing on the chat that I have the same concern. I share Dev's concern because I was not understanding very clearly the proposal. So my question is, when we have these webinars, are we going to have, are we

going to build them within the webinars within the LACRALO monthly calls, or are we going to have the capacity building cycle?

And then I have some other comments regarding other topics. We received input from topics, and I took those topics to the capacity building group in At-Large, and they are still working on that. Of course there is a schedule for webinars with certain topics, but the idea is to deliver more than one webinar per month by that ALAC working group. And nowadays, all of the focus is on the IANA issues on the accountability issue.

But of course, this will not last forever. And of course, we need to cover other topics that are being required. And these topics will be developed throughout the year. So, just for you to know, all of the input we are taking into account. And I do understand that we may have a different regional view in terms of the ALAC view, but that's it.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Fatima. Okay, don't worry about that. I insist. We will coordinate with ALAC. The idea when we spoke with both Rodrigos, the idea was to avoid the duplication of effort. Now when it comes to your question regarding the capacity building cycles within our monthly calls, no. We will continue with that, because we have many topics to cover.

And I would like to now tell you that Carlos Aguirre will be in charge from now on, he will be in charge of our training cycle. And the idea is to keep the plans, the idea is to have two meetings, sorry. Two cycles,

capacity building cycles, perhaps a technical one, with a technical issue and some other with a non-technical issues, in our monthly meetings.

So this is the way in which we can move forward quickly. And of course, we have some other topics that will require more than one hour or more than one webinar, but the idea is that we can at least present a topic in 15 or 20 minutes. Humberto, you have the floor. Go ahead please.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

This is Humberto Carrasco speaking. Thank you very much Alberto. I just wanted to mention two things. First we need to be very careful with the fact of overlapping issues. We'll be very careful about that, because we do not want to waste time and effort. And secondly, we agree that LACRALO needs to have its own capacity cycle, because LACRALO members are not always aware of the ALAC or At-Large issues.

We are constantly in contact with the ALAC members, but I believe, and I understand, that this perhaps might be considered by some members unjustified, but we know that there are people who are not well aware of all of the topics, because we have contact with many members in LACRALO.

So from that point of view, and since we have a very regional perspective, from my point of view, I think it would be easier to have this type of training. Thank you very much.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Humberto for your contribution. Now let's continue with the next item on the agenda. I see no hands up, so let's continue. The next item on the agenda is item number seven. I think Humberto has already mentioned this item.

Humberto, would you like to add anything about this?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. Well, I would like to say that this survey is already created, or was already created, by an initiative by LACRALO, that was shared with other members of the region. And the idea is to have our own database to know who the experts are, and the type of expertise we have within LACRALO, because sometimes we know the names, but we don't know what they do.

And this is also a way of seeing which topics might be most interesting for members. So this is something simple. And this might also be useful for, to receive input or critics to improve this survey, the survey can be improved. And of course, we can do that. Thank you very much Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Humberto for your contribution. Now, let's continue. Let's deal with the next item on the agenda. This is item number eight, documents being reviewed. So Humberto will let us know about this item. We have some documents, and they were the topic of our webinar last week.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto Carrasco for the record. Thank you very much Alberto, once again. I am personally in charge of preparing the summaries of these documents, and also to gather and take notes of the main inputs and points of view regarding this document, to be included in the documents and to be put for comment in order to make the most of the discussions, and in order to achieve consensus on the different topics.

So I hope that by the end of this month, or perhaps by the beginning of next month, we may have documents ready to put them at the disposal of the community for discussion. I am referring to these three documents, proposed for the [inaudible] preparation each of the publication of statement, the proposal for ALS recruitment, and the proposal for metrics. These are the documents I am referring to.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Humberto. So you will have information about these documents shortly. You will have this publication dates, and the suggestions that are being included to the documents. So just to rephrase what Humberto said, all of the modifications will be uploaded to the documents, and they will be put for comment to receive new comments.

Now, let's deal with item number nine. And here we have the working group report. Sergio Salinas is not on the call. He sends his apologies. But Humberto has already said something about that. When it comes to the IANA transition working group, well, let me tell you that I'd rather wait for this call.

I wanted to wait, to generate this team, to see the documents that were sent to the ICG. So far, the only document that I could have and I could read was the document by the RIRs. So, when it comes to this document, they propose to keep IANA within ICANN by signing a document for the time being that is the option being proposed, to stay within ICANN.

The detail will be discussed later on within the working group, and we will have the remaining documents that are still missing, I haven't read them yet, in fact. Is there any comments or any comments? Fatima, I see your hand up. Would you like to make a comment or is it from your previous intervention?

FATIMA CAMBRONERO:

Fatima Cambronero speaking. Yes Alberto. Thank you very much. This is Fatima for the record. When it comes to the IANA transition working group, the At-Large working group I am a member of this working group, a representative of LACRALO. The deadline was over January the 15th, to present or to meet the final proposal to the coordination working group, but it was suddenly decided to work on a sub proposal that would contemplate a proposal or a solution internal to ICANN.

Instead of having the CWG proposal which they have proposed four entities, but the idea is to have an internal solution, and it is to have the stewardship of IANA within ICANN. So there is a sub working group that is now working on that proposal. So there was an extension of the deadlines to the end of the month. We are having different and several calls throughout the week, sometimes two calls in a day.

And simultaneously, there is the accountability working group. There is, that has met in Frankfurt, and this is related to the track one or trim one, related to accountability. And we also waiting for the results of this meeting, because what is not taken into account by this working group, will have to be taking into account by the IANA working group.

And I have a question also, and the question is why we're only focusing on names and on other communities, numbers on protocol. And this is my personal opinion, of course, this is just for you to think about this, but I believe it would be good that you can participate in the At-Large IANA working group. This is an open working group with interpretation.

So it would be good for you to participate so that you can see the At-Large position. It is clear now that ALAC will not submit an independent proposal, because that was not within the call for proposals. There would be a proposal within the CWG, and they're now discussing the different proposals, and it is to reach consensus in terms of only one proposal.

That is to say to have, whether to have those four entities, or whether to keep the function within ICANN. Thank you very much Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Fatima. Thank you for your suggestion. That is a very good suggestion. I said that this, or have informed about this meeting in some emails, and [inaudible]... Hello, can you hear me?

[Inaudible] has participated in some of the meetings. The thing is, that this group has a meeting schedule, which is [inaudible] and sometimes when they have certain problems in participating. But I would like to invite [inaudible] to participate, but I would like to invite you all, please it's very important what Fatima has said. All the topics that are being dealt with within this working group are very important.

And it is really important for us to have an idea on the topics, and to participate as well. As you can see, someone may raise his or her hand and say something, because something has come to the mind, and that is something good, that is a good possibility. And perhaps we may have some other member who is not well aware of the topics, or who is not very knowledgeable about certain topics, but he or she can provide his or her point of view, and that might make the difference in the discussion of the working group.

Is there any other discussion or comment? I see no one with their hands up.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO: Alberto, this is Fatima speaking. Sorry for interrupting you, but I have a problem muting and unmuting my phone. Just to add to your comments, I would like to say that IANA has to do with technical aspects, but there are also legal aspects related to the IANA stewardship and the IANA function. We are now debating about the creation of entities, and these are topics that are related to IANA as well, and that go beyond the IANA function.

So I would like to invite you all to participate, because anyone can contribute with his or her experience, and it is to have the input of all of those stakeholders something very typical of ICANN, so I just wanted to say that. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Fatima. Let me remind you that these meetings, I mean, they are in English, but they have a simultaneous translation in Spanish, so there is no problem at all with language issues.

Let's now go to the next item, the NomCom report. In the previous meeting, we did not complete this. So we will [inaudible] to Silvia, but Silvia has just apologized. So we are going to leave this for the following meeting again.

We're now going to item number 11. And in this item would like to make some statements, and these were made by Humberto.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

This is Humberto Carrasco speaking for the record. As you know, there were only two candidates who applied, or who came for the next election. And this is something very new for LACRALO. This has never happened before, so we actually have two alternatives. The first one is to try and continue with the election as was planned originally.

Or the second option is to ask the community if it is possible to reach a consensus with respect to the two candidates in existence, the only two that we have. This was implied, for example, in [inaudible] if there is

someone who opposes, or who does not want to continue with the normal process, which is to call for a vote following the timelines that we have established already.

This was implied... Okay, so here is the thing. This is the proposal. One, because there are two candidates for this chair and secretary, and we have two alternatives. Either we look for a consensus in the sense that we can ask the committee if they agree that the current chair and secretary will continue in their position, for a new period, and if somebody opposes, then we could not hold the elections or the vote [inaudible].

And so if somebody opposes, then the alternative is to continue with the vote under the published terms. This is simply put. And then what will the proposals be like? This is something we have discussed with Alberto, and with staff, because this is the concern we had. For example, during this week, we sent an email through the email list, saying that if there is no one opposing the election for the candidates, Alberto Soto and Humberto Carrasco, within this week, they would be named again in their positions for a new period.

And if somebody opposes, we will continue with the election or the procedure as we have established so far. This is simply put, and I would like to listen to your opinion if you have anything to say.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto. Thank you very much Humberto. Do you have any comments on this issue? Fatima Cambronero, now you have the floor.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO: This is Fatima for the record. Thank you Alberto. In my opinion, the LACRALO bylaws do allow to make a decision by consensus, and I think this could be a solution to save time, since there are only two candidates. Now the question is, we also need a quorum, so we will hold a special call? Have a special call for this? Or are we going to circulate this through an email?

Have you thought of this? This is actually my concern. If I'm not mistaken, according to the rules of procedure, we should have a special call for this issue. But I'm not sure if you have analyzed this, or if you have [inaudible] this.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Carlos, you have the floor now.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto speaking. Carlos Aguirre, you now have the floor. You raised your hand.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. It seems Carlos cannot speak. Carlton has written something. Carlton, please go ahead.

Carlton, you now have the floor.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Go ahead Carlton.

CARLTON SAMUELS: This is Carlton for the record. [Inaudible]...

CARLOS AGUIRRE: This is Carlos speaking. I was having a technical issue. This is already happened in spite of what Humberto is saying. I do recall that we had a similar election like this before. So, in spite of what Fatima is saying, we had to go to an election because of the quorum, and I don't think it would be a complication to see the credential and to see everybody expressing themselves, so that we avoid any problem or any kind of the [inaudible] because quorum was not respected, etc.

I think that just to continue with what Fatima was saying, last time we just asked for credentials, and everybody voted and the candidates were elected, and the legality was just covered this way.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Carlos. Carlton, please go ahead. You now have the floor.

CARLTON SAMUELS: Okay [inaudible]...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: [Inaudible] go ahead, because we're not hearing Carlton.

TERRI AGNEW: Carlton, this is Terri on the English channel. We're unable to hear you.

CARLTON SAMUELS: I don't know why...

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: You're very, very faint Carlton. This is Dev.

CARLTON SAMUELS: [Inaudible]....

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay, I can make a comment. I can make a comment about this.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Please go ahead Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. This is Dev Anand speaking. This situation has happened before actually, where there has only been one candidate for ALAC RALO representative position. The challenge has been regarding, you know, while in theory getting consensus is good, the problem is how do you get informed consensus from everyone?

For example, we can't do consensus on this call since the majority of LACRALO members are not on this call. If they were, then perhaps we could have done that by a show of hands. So I would suggest that if there is only one candidate that a poll be done, and a poll is different in the sense that, a poll is different in that, you know, there is no weighted coefficients and so on, [inaudible] vote, as such.

And that way you will have documented proof that there was informed consensus for the candidates. So that is my suggestion. Having a special purpose question, just to answer the question about having a special purpose call, that's not practical because you're going to see the same small number of persons on the call, and there could be no decisions or consensus decisions made.

So having a special purpose consensus call doesn't make sense. You're going to get the same amount of persons, or less, and so you need to issue a poll, issue the credentials. Everybody can express it, and that's the way to proceed. That's it.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Dev. As far as I can see, we have two probabilities then, or two proposals. One, is to have a poll, as Dev is stating. And the other one, that is supported by some, is to have the vote just as it is established.

So, can we... We can define this actually right now. So, those of you who want to have the vote as established, please raise your hand.

Nobody else?

Those of you who want to have the vote as established, please raise your hand. So far we have Adia Noblia, [inaudible], Gilberto, Carlton, Carlos Aguirre, I'm sorry. Not Carlton. [Inaudible] Carlos Aguirre. Can somebody write this down? Humberto please.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto. I'm counting Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. There are seven then. So then in favor of the proposal of a survey. Please put down your hand. You don't really need to oppose. So those of you who are in favor of having a poll, please raise your hand.

Christian, could you please take that cross out. We're only showing those of us who are in favor of having a poll.

Is there anybody else who is in favor of the poll?

Humberto, please let me know when you're ready.

That's it. Thank you Humberto. There are four in favor of the poll, and seven in favor the vote just as it is established in the rules. So, we're going to then to have the vote as it is established in the rules. Please put down your hands, and thank you.

Let's now go to item number 12. This was proposed to me by Silvia, Alan is not here today, and somebody who could be an ALAC member

could actually talk about the development, ALAC's activity of policy development. I'll give you the floor in a moment Fatima.

Alan is not here. Leon is not here. I emailed Fatima and Vanda. If Fatima cannot speak then, there are no problems at all. This requires prior preparation, in my view, because it is rather lengthy, it's a rather lengthy issue. Fatima, please go ahead.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO:

This is Fatima speaking for the record. First I have an outstanding question, because I didn't know I was raising my hand about this issue. My question is, if in order to take this decision we need to have a quorum, I don't really know if we have a quorum on this call. Is it just for us to analyze it?

The question is, whether we can take valid decisions, and if we have this sufficient quorum to do that. And please let me know if I can go to the next issue whenever you're ready.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Actually the decisions are made in the same way, in the meeting where they're being dealt with. If the decision that, in my view, if nobody opposes, requires no quorum. It does require quorum when dealing with the election and the vote. Now, if somebody disagrees, we will have to have a specific call to see if this is necessary.

And if we require a quorum, we can't really speak about a survey. We're talking about a poll, because it requires no quorum, otherwise we would just go with a poll and that's it.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO: This is Fatima speaking again. I just want to make sure that we are making valid decisions, and that nobody can challenge what we decide, and we decided that we're going this or that way. So I just don't want anybody to come and say that the quorum was not enough. I'm not objecting or challenging anything.

I just want to make sure that we're complying with the necessary formalities, so that we have no more legality or formality problem, so to say.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. I don't really know who raised their hand first. I think it was Carlos Aguirre.

CARLOS AGUIRRE: This is Carlos speaking. Can you hear me?

With respect to Fatima's question there is no quorum required, because we are complying with the rules. That is, we are just having a vote and that's it. So we don't really need to have a quorum, because we are saying what the rules are saying. In the sense that if there are two candidates that we will go for a vote, in which we'll vote and we're perfect. So in this case, no quorum is required.

We're not violating anything, and we're respecting the formalities and legalities absolutely.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Carlos. We will now go to item number 12. I think we will not be able to deal with this, because we have no time. We're going to have to leave this for our next call. I don't want to force Fatima or ask Fatima something that she could not actually prepare, and this is very, very important.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO:

This is Fatima speaking. I just want to make a short comment. Thank you Carlos for realizing something that I didn't really realize. And with respect to those issues that are subject to public comments, those of us who are involved in the IANA issues, we are only involved in that, and we are not really discussing the rest of the issues.

But I want to deal with two issues that are now open for public comment. And I really don't know how to say this, but this is actually translation and transliteration of the content information. This is being subject to public comment. The agenda includes the link for you to see. But this is very important for our region, but it is important for other At-Large regions, as it is the IDN TLDs, which is also open for public comment.

And it is important for other regions, more than for us. But if you have time, and if you can review this, and you are interested in participating or [inaudible] then you can make comments right now. And with

respect to other issues being decided upon, which are the ones that are being subject to comment, there are issues like WHOIS. And I apologize because when I received the email, I was on an IANA call, and I couldn't really analyze all the issues and give you more [inaudible].

But I wanted to highlight those two items so that you can analyze and get involved. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Thank you very much Fatima. We're now, I see Dev with your hand up. Dev, you now have the floor. Go ahead please.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Alberto. This is Dev speaking. Just to clarify, I'm going to point out something that Fatima said. I posted a link to the translation and transliteration of contact information. A first draft has four comments. So, if this is a policy that you are interested in, and you have read it, and you wish to make some comments on the proposed ALAC statement, you can go to that page and submit your comments there. That's it.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Dev. We're now going to go to the next item on the agenda. I have other on any other business, some issues, and Humberto Carrasco is having a family problem to travel to Singapore. So, we actually need to substitute Humberto for the Singapore meeting, and this is something we need to define today.

My suggestion is that since Carlos Aguirre, we don't really know if we have time to substitute a person. So I suggest to have Carlos Aguirre so that we can take advantage of this, because he is now in charge of this capacity building plan. So maybe he can have face to face contact with all of those who, I mean need to do this [inaudible].

Carlos would not be able to travel again, but maybe he can take advantage of it. I'm sorry. Humberto Carrasco has raised his hand. So Humberto now has the floor.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

This is Humberto speaking. Thank you Alberto. I want to apologize. First of all, I have some family issues, as you know, I have a little baby who is suffering from cancer. This is my son, Humberto, and so unfortunately, I was informed that during the Singapore week, he will start some chemotherapy and I need to be present there.

So I'm not going to be able to attend this Singapore meeting. So I apologize to have to lose this opportunity. Secondly, I think Carlos is the ideal person to substitute for me. I'm not sure if we have a quorum to make this kind of decision. I mean, I have lots of doubts and questions about this. I'm not saying I cannot be substituted, but it could be him, or it could also be Sergio Salinas Porto, or anybody else. Thank you very much.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Humberto. I want to say that, Humberto wanted to resign as a secretary because he will not go to this

meeting, and maybe he will not be able to go to the Buenos Aires meeting again. And I said not at all. I said he was having an excellent function. He is having very serious issues, and I would like to thank you in front of everybody Humberto, for everything that you have been doing so far.

Silvia is also writing something in the chat room. We need to see if we can substitute a team, and if we need to do this, we need to do this [inaudible]. Thank you. Now Fatima has the floor.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO:

This is Fatima for the record. Thank you very much Alberto. And Humberto, you don't have to apologize at all. This is something which is not expected. And of course, we do understand. And I would like to ask how they decide, or how they deal with this in NARALO, because there was a similar situation. And perhaps we could not to replicate exactly the same in LACRALO, because of course, we can do whatever we want.

But perhaps we can ask them how they made the decision to replace a member. I know this position needs to be covered due to the amount of workload during the meeting. So perhaps, I wanted to comment on that, because this is something that we might take into account.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Fatima. But the replacement here will be only for the Singapore meeting, that Humberto will continue his work, will continue working. Dev, you have the floor, go ahead please.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. This is Dev Anand speaking. And I give, of course, my best wishes to you and your family in your difficult times. And I think it's completely understandable. With regards to sending a replacement, I'm concerned to as to... [Inaudible]... Well first, we have to find out for that change can happen right now.

That CC can allocate another travel ticket for somebody to go to Singapore at this moment. That's the first thing that needs to be confirmed. Second, when situations like this happen in say NARALO, what happen was that there was a consensus call. There was some discussion on the call as to who would go, for a person who was not able to go to a meeting.

And it was a consensus call, and then it was posted, you know, on the NARALO list, and show that there was consensus on it. And then once there was nobody objecting to it then, well, then that replacement was made.

I'm just concerned about the timing though. It's very close to the Singapore meeting. That's my concern.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Dev. The thing is that it was today when we received this news, and we need to decide upon this. We need to decide this. Carlos Aguirre, you have the floor. Go ahead please.

CARLOS AGUIRRE:

This is Carlos Aguirre speaking. Very briefly, as Carlton mentioned in the chat, the NARALO chair communicates or informs to the constituted travel department. And well, I believe this is your decision Alberto, and if you believe that I am the one to replace Humberto, I am willing to work with you and with that region. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Carlos. The issue here is that there are certain modifications that are being taking place in the governance working groups that what Carlton says, it should be because we have a replacement for Humberto. But until we have that person, or in case we may have any other problem, for example, I maybe sick and I might not be able to travel.

So we don't know if we have the necessary time to have, or to cancel the ticket and to obtain a new ticket.

As far as I know, there is no prohibition to proceed in this way. And according to the rules, and according to the law, in fact, what is not prohibited is permitted. So if there is anyone who would like to volunteer, someone who would like to propose, someone different from Carlos Aguirre, okay, please speak now.

I want to propose to volunteer Carlos Aguirre because he has been working on the capacity business cycle, and we know. So, please, if there is anyone who opposes or who wants to propose some other person to travel in place of Humberto, please speak now.

Alberto Soto speaking. Humberto, Sergio Salinas Porto has family problems as well, and we is unable to attend LACRALO meetings. So that's why.

Alberto Soto speaking. Is there any proposal? Any comment? Carlton says that I cannot make this decision right now. Do you agree with that? This needs to be resolved tomorrow. So, taking into account that constituency travel replied already given by Silvia Vivanco, I will consult that to the group.

So if there is no further or no other proposal, we will bring this call to an end. I would like to thank the staff, and our interpreters, and all the members and participants who have actively participated. And those who sent their apologies for not being able to attend this meeting. So once again, thank you very much. And goodbye.

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