GISELLA GRUBER: This is Gisella speaking. Good evening everyone. Welcome to AFRALO call on Wednesday September 2ⁿᵈ at 18:30 hours UTC.

On this call, on the English channel, we have Daniel Nanghaka, Sarah Kiden, Dave Kissondoyal, Barrack Otieno, Seun Ojedeji.

On the French channel we have Aziz Hilali, Tijani Ben Jemaa, and Etienne Tshishimbi.

We have received apologies from Baudouin Schombe and from Heidi Ullrich.

From ICANN staff here with us today, we have Silvia Vivanco on the English channel, and myself, Gisella Gruber.

Our interpreters for the evening will be Camila and Claire.

And may I please remind you to say your name at the moment of speaking for the interpreters so that they can identify you on the other channel, as well as for transcript purposes.

Aziz can you hear us?

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, because the sound has gone. Good, I can hear you. Are we ready to start then?

GISELLA GRUBER: Yes, go ahead. This is Gisella.

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AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you Gisella. Good evening everyone. I'm glad to meet with you once again after a month, or two months, because we cancelled our last conference. We're going to now start with our September monthly meeting. As you see, we have a number of items to deal with so I'm quickly going to go through our open policy issues.

Now, we have first the reform of the WHOIS, which is currently being debated. It's very controversial. So we're dealing with the next generation of gTLD registration directory services, which would replace WHOIS preliminary issue reports, that's what we're dealing with. The initial reports on the usage of data in metrics for policy making by ICANN.

Fortunately we have community comments on the proposed amendments that have been proposed to the RAA, and then we have the proposed amendments to the bylaws regarding GNSO policy and implementation recommendations.   Then we're going to deal something else which is of interest to us, because we are AFRALO and that's of interest to us, AFRALO.   And that's something for the community, that's the second draft proposal for the cross community working group on accountability of ICANN that we also know as CCWG accountability.

Tijani will talk to us about this group in a while. This is a subject which is paramount for us to deal with us before the actual transition of the IANA function. So we're going to debate about the comments received from the community. Ideas that we can help improve the proposals

received and then deal with the next stages. So as I said, for our conference call today, we'll see AFRALO, once again, made its contribution by the drafting of a statement with public participation on September 8th and 12th, those would be the end dates received for the processes.

Now regarding the rules of generation for Arab label generation rules, and for Armenia script, root zone label generation rules as you know the Arabic community created a working group on their culture, that group is called SA IDN. It's a group that deal with the LGRs. So for these label generation rules in Arabic script, in the new generation. So they haven't integrated both.

They have produced a new statement. For those who did not participate at the working group. So for all of those who have been working in the group, we're going to deal with the final projection. So that's what I had to say briefly, now we're going to move quickly onto item number three, that's items for information.

The first part of this item that we're going to deal with is the community regional outreach topic that's called the CROPP, which is a project that, as you know… And Tijani may perhaps jump in here, because he might know a bit more than I do about it. This project called CROPP, was created by ICANN together with ALAC, and this project enables each of the RALOs and At-Large to take three days travel.

So those trips are aimed at regional collaboration in order to contribute with growth and the development of the ICANN community. So the process that was implemented is specific to our African community. All

of those requirements are published on the CROPP website, which I'm going to share with you on the chat.

So once again, to confirm, regarding CROPP, we should discuss the applicability of people according to their profile from the strategic viewpoint, so that each RALO should explain their aims and their goals in the awareness raising field so that each participant in the CROPP be compliant with this ICANN criteria that be approved by the group, by the community.

So staff cannot take any measures until the strategic plan be approved, and until this opposition on the WIKI page for the CROPP. So as an AFRALO member, I'm now going to give Tijani the floors, so that he can talk to us and tell us some more about this subject, other than what I just said, because he knows more about the working groups. Tijani, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Thank you Aziz. It's basically what Aziz just said. The CROPP project has been going on for a while, and every time, every year, we have to go back [AUDIO INTERFERENCE].

…we have been working on the preparation for the strategy for the region, regarding awareness raising and engagement and participation. And for fiscal year 2016, we believe AFRALO should start working right now so that when the time comes, we will have made a decision as to who will apply for what.

I think the work of the group regarding this project is quite advanced already. And we're now waiting for conference that is well-known, with a system, with different communities, and with everything necessary to ask for funding.

If you wish to ask for funding, you should have defined this type of conference, and go through the CROPP to justify your presence at that conference, and what your expectations are going there.

At the end of the trip, you will have to make a report that you will send in, telling us what you accomplished there, and why the trip was useful to you. How you managed to fulfill your expectations, and for [inaudible]… And I think, it's not bad because it gives us three days, two nights. And it's not a lot, because granted, the day you get in, the day you fly out, you waste a lot of time with that.

But still, it allows us to go there. We have discussed quite a lot on the matter. We [inaudible] for this limited change, and they said it was not possible. So I think that's all I can say about it.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you Tijani. Gisella, if someone asks for the floor, please let me know because as you know, my connection comes and goes. I may not be on Adobe Connect at the time when people raise their hands.

So, thank you Tijani for summing up all this, discussions that we had. We have already thought of having a specific session on the matter, but if you have any other thoughts to send in to me, please do send them to

me via email at the end of the call, or you can take the floor now. Can I go on?

Is there someone wishing to take the floor?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. No.

I said go ahead.

Tijani speaking, I said go ahead.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Oh, right, sorry. So, our African RALOs that is going to put in those requests. We're going to try and participate at different meetings or conferences, but always with a view to find events that gather as many African participants as possible.

So AFRALO members are going to be able to participate in those meetings, and they are going to try to be more active especially, in order to bring the AFRALO voice out of ICANN, and to also contribute to regional policies [inaudible] so that we can also raise awareness about the existence of ICANN within the African Internet community.

And so that ICANN's activities be known outside our ecosystem, and so that we can find people who will collaborate with us in this work, this governance work, and all the different aspects of our work at ICANN. If there are no other interventions, I'm now going to move on to item number four. So is there anyone who would like to take the floor?

GISELLA GRUBER: No.

AZIZ HILALI: Right. So now we're going to move on to the second part of item number three actually, which deals with a task force that was recently created. This is the new criteria for the accreditation for new ALSs. I know there is a working group that was created, that is one of the projects that Alan Greenberg mentioned.

He did this when he led ALAC, and he wanted us to discuss ALAC's rules and expectations when certifying ALSs, because he figures the current criteria are still the same we had when we started working. So, he said once the criteria had been revised and established, we might see how to use them within each RALO for each ALS, when they apply. And so these ALSs should, in their application, explain what their activities are, what their purposes are, and especially to explain to us what their interest is in becoming ICANN accredited ALSs.

Now I'm going to look at Tijani now and see if he wants to add anything on this.

Tijani, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Thank you Aziz. I think we better get a move on because we don't have a lot of time, and there are a lot of other subjects to deal with today.

AZIZ HILALI: Right. Aziz speaking. The next item on the new ICANN strategy, I know that there is a group that has been working on it, and Beran has been representing AFRALO in that group. And I'm going to give her the floor now to explain to us the new strategies for ICANN meetings. Beran, you have the floor.

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Aziz, I don't think Beran is with us this evening. In any event, she's not on Adobe Connect.

AZIZ HILALI: Right. Aziz speaking. Then can anyone else tell me some more about this item, or should we then move on to our next item? I'll move on to the next item then, which is the new At-Large website. As you know, there was a call to attend a teleconference that was organized by Alan Greenberg, and we had already discussed the size of it at Buenos Aries, at the Buenos Aries meeting, but we organized a conference call in order to discuss AFRALO's participation, and their stakes regarding the [new site?].

The only people to have participated in representation of AFRALO were Tijani and myself. There were very, very few participants at the meeting. So we gave them our viewpoint, and we mainly and specifically discussed how ALAC's website, AFRALO's website… So that there is great difficulty in finding information on AFRALO, whether it be about activities, or else about what we do in general.

I don't have a lot of activity to give to you in this regard, but if there is anything you would like to add, or if there is any updates you would like to give us, I think it would be the right time to do it, because now is the time for us to make our proposals to those who work on the implementation of this new ALAC website.

[Sarah?] sent a request for the floor. I'm going to move on to the next item. And I apologize for going so fast, but we have a lot of work today, and we don't have enough time to cover it all. So item 3E is regarding the Marrakesh meeting. It is an African meeting. It will go from March 5th to March 12th, 2016. As you know, it's going to be on the African continent, so it's a big deal for us.

And we wish that it finally become a reality. So where are we on the separation of a new next gen program organized by ICANN for each meeting? I think Tijani who leads the group that's working on the program for the next generation from [inaudible], can tell us about where they are at.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you Aziz. This is Tijani. As you know, in AFRALO there is already a next gen program. I believe we've already said this at the London meeting.   It was there that we presented all participants for the program. And I must say the experience was quite encouraging, but then we got to introduce the new generation of participants to ICANN, in general terms.

But for each event, we try to have a maximum of users from the region. So given that we're talking about a meeting in Marrakesh, we're going

to try to have most participants for the next gen program coming from Africa.

So, this program exists. We're working on it. There is a program for the choice of candidates. We're going to have a request for candidates, a call for candidates, and once we have a short list, we're going to announce who these people are. And then the good news, is that the number of users which have been selected for the Marrakesh meeting are going to be quite as many as we have so far.

So Marrakesh, we're going to have twice as many people as we're going to have in Dublin.

This program, to me, is very exciting. I like it very much. But it's not just about getting people to Marrakesh. The idea is for this program to be really active, for it to really come a part of the ICANN institution. So as you know, young people usually come to these meetings without preparation. So I'm thinking we should have them prepared beforehand.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you Tijani. Are there any questions on this item? If not, I would like to add that the request for candidates is going to be open very soon. And the dates are more or less the same as for the Fellowship. So I encourage our African mates to apply for the next gen program, so that they can come and participate in the Marrakesh meeting.

Let us now then move on to the next item, which is 3F. On the IANA steward transition coordination group, otherwise called the ICG. Mohamed, who is one of the co-chairs of the group, maybe can take the floor, if he's with us. Gisella, is he with us do you think?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Aziz, Gisella here. Unfortunately Mohamed is not here with us.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay, never mind says Aziz. We're now going to move on to the cross community working group. Yeah, go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Aziz, maybe you can give the floor to Seun, so that he can tell us a bit about the work of the group?

AZIZ HILALI: Of course, Tijani. You're right. I agree. Seun, you have the floor. Please remember to speak up and speak slowly so that I can hear you accurately.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Hello, this is Seun. Can you hear me?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yes, I hear you.

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SEUN OJEDEJI:	Yeah. Okay. This is Seun for the record. Thank you Tijani and Aziz. Yeah, the work of the ICG [inaudible] and conclusion of the IANA [customs?] working group stewardship [inaudible] proposal, and the ICG launched into reviewing the [inaudible] proposals, as you may recall.

The numbers community and the protocol parameters community submitted their proposals much earlier in the year. And then the [inaudible] community working group on stewardship, which is the one [inaudible] proposal for [inaudible], submitted this few months ago.

So the ICG has compiled the three proposals, and then it presented it for public comments. So it's currently on public comments, then they're asking specific questions, which is generally boiled down how well the three proposals fit together, and we work together. So the public comment is still [open], and expected to close on the 8th.

I think, as far as item 3F, I think that is the current [inaudible]… to enter, they will enter into the IC, the AFRALO comments to ICG later on item four. That is all I have, the summary of ICG. Thank you. |
| AZIZ HILALI: | Thank you Seun, this is Aziz speaking. You have touched a point that we're going to discuss last today. Our next item, before I move on to that is the cross community working group on ICANN accountability, aka the CCWG. I'm now going to give the floor to Tijani, so he can tell us about the cross community working group, and about the comment and our statements. Go ahead. |

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. So since we have to deal with the public comment on the group's report, I would like to touch on the public comments first. Having [inaudible] the public comments period on their second report, the group seems to have further interaction with the Board, and with the community, regarding the different viewpoints, and regarding the work of the CCWG.

And the rough edges are slowly being smoothed out, so that maybe towards the end of the public comment period, we will be ready to prepare, sign the report on the comment that have been made, regarding the second draft. And I say we're going to have a new meeting with the Board.

It's interesting and I encourage you to participate. It's at 22:00 UTC. And I think it's right after. The Board and other communities may express themselves regarding our report. So we expect to go on working as much as we have. We still have a lot of work to do, after the public comment period, and after finishing our final version, and maybe we should then address the chartering organizations, those organizations which are members to our group, because they are signatories to our charter.

And there is not a lot of time to do that. So, there is not a lot of time to do all of that, and there is going to be a lot of work to do in very little time, so that we make sure our proposal is acceptable, because the [inaudible] sign the charter and they should have a say in the matter. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. As our colleagues and members of AFRALO know, the discussion is very important at the moment, and it is very important to follow that we are on the fourth ICANN on the agenda, we are moving to the fourth item on the agenda, AFRALO comments on the ICG and CCWG proposals. The proposal AFRALO prepared, and AFRALO once again has contributed to the discussion on this topic. Very important topic, drafting the proposal.

And I want to thank two persons who are working a lot, who are making a lot of [inaudible] for the African voice to be heard. Two persons who have worked a lot. That is to say, Seun and Tijani, both of them have drafted the AFRALO proposals that you have received. Seun has proposed the AFRALO proposal on the subject, on this topic. And Tijani has drafted the AFRALO proposal on the CCWG.

So this is to answer the public comments we have talked about. Those two documents that you have received, that have been sent to the list. To receive more of your comments, to enrich our proposal, so they will represent the AFRALO opinion. Now the date, next Friday, on the 4th of September, at midday. This is the deadline.

So this deadline, at this deadline the comments will be closed, and all of the comments about CCWG will be closed also. So now I'm going to give the floor to Seun and to Tijani, so they will explain to us what is in this proposal, and what is our opinion in AFRALO. Who wants to begin? Seun, do you want to begin?

Seun, you have the floor if you want.

CLAIRE: Seun can you hear me? This is Claire the interpreter speaking. Can you hear me?

SEUN OJEDEJI: Hello? Can you hear me?

CLAIRE: Yes, perfectly. You have the floor Seun.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Yeah, thank you, thank you Aziz. Thank you very much. This is Seun for the record. So I'm trying to look for the URL to the public comments now, that [inaudible] are supposed to be [inaudible] to the public comments in the room. Yeah, so we developed the drafts, myself and Tijani, developed the drafts on the two proposals.

So we, I would just quickly, I believe that you must have seen the call for comments, there is a comment for AFRALO for the draft comment that we made on the list. So the comment is supposed to end on Friday. We hope that we haven't said, I don't think there is comments, unless I missed something.

So we encourage you all to try to make some comments, even if it's plus one or a comment in support of [inaudible]… I don't know, do I have in there questions on the comment? Perhaps we should have more time

to add those questions on the comments instead of going through that comment [inaudible].

I will report here and then allow [inaudible] perhaps a summary of the comments, and then maybe we'll take questions together. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you very much. Aziz speaking. Thank you Seun. Are there any questions?

If there are no questions, Tijani you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay, thank you. Tijani speaking. As Seun said, AFRALO, Seun, and myself would have drafted comments about the proposal of the ICG and of the CCWG. We worked on that because we thought that the experience of the first proposal and the comments was very positive. A lot of people were very happy about that, and some people thought that this proposal can be translated in different language, so everybody can understand it.

AFRALO was the only one to make this kind of comment. So the support organization, the SO and AC have been very interested. I think it was a very good explanation. Seun and myself, we are very implicated in both working groups, and we want to make some good comments. And Seun made the comment on the ICG report, and I made the comment on the CCWG report.

We wanted to coordinate in our work. And we have two reports, on which we agree both, and we hope that the AFRALO members are going to give their opinion now. Related to the CWG, the CCWG, on accountability, and the report we drafted. We wanted to repeat our concerns that were expressed on the first comment. There are some issue in which we said no, and those issues were present on the second report, so we wanted to speak about, for example, speak about the removal of the Board members without any reason.

For us, it can't be done. If it's going to be some members who will regard, who will be more interested to their activity than to ICANN activity? So I thought that it was necessary to write about that, and as I'm a member of this group, now there is a new phone, which was created.

And each time a SO or AC wants to give their opinion, they have to come to this community forum and they can speak, but they have to explain why they are asking, for example, the removal of this Board member. And this forum will also be a place for the Board member, which we want to remove, to express their opinion also.

So it's very specific two points, something that we take into account our concern, and reduce the problems related to the issue. So are those are the comments that we proposed. We send them on the list, you can read them. Aziz will send us the rest of the comments. If you have some questions, Seun and myself will answer my questions, here, or by email.

Don't forget that tomorrow will be the last day. After tomorrow, day after tomorrow, these comments are closed because we need to draft those statements according to the comments we received. So because we need to send them to the ICG before the 8th of September and to the CCWG we have some more time. I think I'm finished. If there are any questions, I can answer them. Thank you very much.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you very much Tijani and Seun for your effort. We still have 20 minutes, so we'll see if there are any questions. If there are questions and you can see them on the Adobe Connect, please send me, we are going to move to the next item, the next item is about the AFRALO African joint meeting in Dublin.

We want to repeat what we did in Buenos Aires. That is to say, to join the two comments made by AFRALO, and made a current statement by Africa. What do you think about that?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking.

AZIZ HILALI: Tijani, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much Aziz. The idea is to make a statement of the African community, about the transition proposal. And what AFRALO is

doing now would be to say, and will be what we are going to propose to the rest of the community. So it's not our statement that we are going to present. We are going to present it to the African community.

We are going to discuss it during the ICANN meeting. We will amend it if necessary, and then we will propose it to the rest of the community.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you very much Tijani. I'm sorry? I will add that there is… It's very important for us, for the AFRALO position because it will be the African position in ICANN, and its opinion that will be heard. Okay. If there is nothing to add to this item, I am going to move to the next item, that is to say the AFRALO showcase for Marrakesh.

But before, I'd like to come back to this AFRALO African joint meeting. What do you think about that? We should, as AFRALO members, we should make a proposal to the African community, so they know what is the proposal through the African list, because we think we need their opinions to the African list, to know if they agree with that. If they want to have this topic for the AFRALO African meeting.

We want their opinion. Would you agree with me? If you agree with me about that, then we are going to write an action item. I will ask Silvia to just to write this action item. So Barrack and myself, send the requests on the African list to know their opinion, to know the African community opinion, if we use this comment to be the topic of the AFRALO African joint meeting in Dublin.

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TIJANI BEN JEMAA:	Aziz, Tijani is asking for the floor. Aziz, yes. I'm sorry, but we need to wait for the statements from the AFRALO members, once they are adopted, once they have been submitted to public comment, we can send to the African list, a request asking them their opinion, and asking them some subjects about the subjects, the topics they want to address in Dublin.
	And we are going to tell them that the AFRALO meeting is proposing to develop the African community opinion about the proposal for the CWG according to the two last reports, and we will ask them for their opinion. I don't want you to tell them first, this is what we have done, this is what we have talked about. This is like a decision we already made, and I don't want to present them like that.
	I think we are going to ask them the subject, the topic we want to address, and we will tell them that in AFRALO, we are proposing those topics.
AZIZ HILALI:	Thank you Tijani. Aziz speaking. I agree with you. We can, we will wait after the 15th of September, and we will wait and ask the African community about their opinion about that. Okay. Now we are going to speak about the AFRALO showcase. As you know, during each ICANN meeting, the RALO of the region organizes the showcase for the region, with some event presenting the activities of the ALS, of the RALO, and some local activities from the region.
	So I'd like to create today, or during the next meeting, I'd like to create a committee, an organization committee, to prepare our showcase, and

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my dream would be to organize it and I like to organize a small ceremony for Fadi, who will be attending his last meeting.

So I think Fadi has had an extraordinary mandate for Africa. He is from Africa, and from an Arabic country. So for all of those reasons, I think it's very important to organize something new for him. I'd like to do something new because AFRALO has always showing the way to the other RALOs. So I would like to ask you what you think about that? If you have some idea, and if we can create an organizational committee today, to prepare this showcase of Marrakesh. You have the floor.

Yes. Who is speaking? Who is asking for the floor? Etienne is asking for the floor. Okay, you have the floor Etienne.

ETIENNE TSHISHIMBI: Thank you. Etienne speaking. I'd like to say that this is a good idea, a good initiative, and I'd like to offer myself to participate to participate to this organization committee.

AZIZ HILALI: Very well. Aziz speaking. Thank you Etienne. Who wants to participate or to have the floor now about this item?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Tijani you have the floor. Okay, thank you. Tijani speaking. I think it's a very good idea. Create an organizational committee is a good idea. We will have a lot of work, we need to organize something new. And I'd like to make a present, we'd like to

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make a present to Fadi Chehade. One of the ICANN CEO who made the more important thing for Africa.

He was speaking about the African strategy of ICANN, from the beginning. He made a lot of work, he [inaudible] our work, and he has been looking for people from Africa for the ICANN staff. Before we only had [inaudible] and now we have five African persons in ICANN staff. That is very good.

And we have a CEO, one advisors [inaudible], who is the Chair. We have our colleague [Yaovi] who is manager of the African region. And [Bob] who has an important function too. So it is important what Fadi made for Africa, and he always speak about his will to help Africa to integrate African people in ICANN activities. He made a lot of effort, and I think I really think that we don't need to say what Fadi made for Africa, but he is a very special person and we want to organize something special for him.

He will stay in our memory in all of the African communities' memories. So, I will ask you to find some new ideas. We need to innovate.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you very much Tijani. Aziz speaking. We are calling for the AFRALO members to participate, to send us your ideas, so this showcase is a success. I want to make an official request in the name of all those who are attending this meeting.

I'd like to ask Heidi and the ICANN staff, the ALAC staff, to if they can accept a request that I want to submit to them. The idea to give us…

I'm going to ask Silvia, Gisella, and Heidi to, I'd like to present a special request. We need to have some more [inaudible], some more comfort for this meeting. Something else.

We don't have any budget, so we are asking ICANN staff to review the budget, to give us some more money, so the African showcase will be a success. Silvia, did you write down this request? I know that Heidi is not with us today. Silvia, were you able to right down the request Aziz made? Did you understand Silvia, the request made by Aziz?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Hello, this is Silvia Vivanco from staff.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Just a minute Silvia, just a minute. Just a minute.

Go ahead Silvia.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. Aziz, in response to your question, please I need clarification on what type of support you would need from ICANN, from staff specifically. Is this regarding the infrastructure, the place, the logistics? Please be so kind of clarify, and I will note this as an action item. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay. Aziz speaking. I will send you an email, I will send you an email to Heidi and yourself, to clarify the details of the organization once we

have precision, more details about this showcase. Now, what I need is a better budget, a more important budget. Normally $1,000 and we will need some more to organize this showcase. This is a request.

Tijani is asking for the floor, Tijani you have it.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. I would like to complete what Aziz just said. At the African level, we have requested [inaudible], Africa, as you can see, has a very good positon about the ICANN staff. That is what I wanted to add.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, you are right. Aziz speaking. You are right Tijani. Now if you want, we will try to organize a meeting, so I will explain to you what we are meeting, and what is our request for this African showcase. If there are no other comments, we are going to move to the last item.

We are going to speak about the report, the recent and upcoming activities of ALAC. We have spoken about the, as to implementation. Beran is not with us, and [inaudible] is not with us. So Tijani, you have the floor please. In one or two minutes, can you tell us about the ICANN activity? The recent and upcoming activities of ALAC?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. The transition in the accountability has represented all of our work and effort. So the accountability and transition are taking a big part of our time and activity. ALAC is developing a comment on

transition, and on accountability. And ALAC is also working on the next ICANN meeting in Dublin. And as you know, we are working on the new strategic, for the ICANN meeting, because B meeting is not very clear for us in ALAC.

So we have constituted a working group to work on this new proposal for this new meeting, no? About the ICANN strategy. And they are also the criteria and expectations of the ALS, we are working on that also. And the website, yes, you're right. The ICANN website, and I also have to tell you that I couldn't attend the ALAC meeting.

We have a lot of teleconferences, so I had to travel and I wasn't able to attend the last ALAC meeting. So I'm finished. If there are any questions, I can answer them.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you very much Tijani. I think attending a teleconference today morning, about ATLAS 2 with Olivier Crepin-Leblond chairing this conference. We are speaking about the recommendation that we want to meet to the ICANN Board, and we were very few participants at the African level, mainly, but they were there.

Okay. Now we are going to move to the last item. We sent an upcoming activities of AFRALO members. Those who are attending our meeting today, who wants to speak about their activities in their RALO? You have the floor. Etienne, you have the floor.

ETIENNE TSHISHIMBI: Thank you very much. Etienne speaking. I wanted to tell you that ISOC Senegal have organized a forum on the Internet governance. We've organized the forum on the governance, on the ICANN governance in September, at mid-September. And from the 24th to the 25th of August, the forum central Africa of the Internet was organized.

I think [Michele] was working [inaudible] was working on this, on the organization of this.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, thank you very much Etienne. Aziz speaking. Do you want to, someone else would like to speak about their activities? Tijani you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much Aziz. My ALS has been participating to the preparation of the ICG forum, that is organized every year from the 17th to 18th November of this year. I have worked in the organization committee, and we are working to organize this 2015 version of this meeting.

And we have participated to an evening organized by the [Che] communications secretary. And we work and we talk about the activities and opinions, and the strategic plan for the…

And we have organized another consultation in two months.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you Tijani. Aziz speaking. Are there any other person would wants to speak?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. On the English channel, Remmy wants to have the floor. Remmy, you have the floor.

REMMY NWEKE: [Inaudible]

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: We cannot hear you Remmy. Please remember you might be muted.

GISELLA GRUBER: Remmy please check your microphone, it may be muted.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello Remmy, can you hear us?

REMMY NWEKE: [Inaudible]

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: We cannot hear you Remmy.

EN

AZIZ HILALI:	Aziz speaking. So unfortunately we cannot hear Remmy. And we apology for not being able to give him the floor, but since we cannot hear him, we are now at the end of our conference call. I would like to thank everyone for having attended today.
	I'd like to Tijani for helping me. I thank Claire and Camila for interpreting today. We thank the staff as well, and talk to you soon.
GISELLA GRUBER:	Gisella speaking. Sorry Aziz, Daniel is raising his hand. So maybe he should take the floor before we go. Daniel, you have the floor.
DANIEL NANGHAKA:	Okay. Thank you very much Aziz. Basically I would like to speak from the outreach and engagement subcommittee, as I'm the co-chair of this committee for AFRALO. One thing is that we are working on the Africa outreach strategy. And I request that for all of the members within AFRALO to be [inaudible] strategy that we are coming up, because we're going to close the application, that is by the 30th of this month.
	And also, we're going to map out the different AFRALOs within the region. And we're going to [inaudible] for an ALS [inaudible]… whereby we can be able to included within AFRALO, the strategy that is the result. The link is posted here.
	Here. [CROSSTALK]…

AZIZ HILALI: So that's very important what you just said, and of course we will pay attention to it. Is there anyone else wanting to take the floor before we go?

GISELLA GRUBER: Nkem has raised his hand.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, [CROSSTALK] we cannot connect.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello?

Hello? Hello?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yes, we're not interpreting at the moment, because Aziz was speaking. Please hold.

AZIZ HILALI: So, Nkem was raising his hand on the Adobe Connect? You have the floor.

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello? Hello?

[CROSSTALK]

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

INTERPRETER: Yes, I can hear you, but you understand that when Aziz speaks…

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

INTERPRETER: We'll try to mute, okay. Can you hear me?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yes, I can hear you.

INTERPRETER: Okay. You can go ahead now…

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello, can I speak now? Do I have the floor now?

Okay. I would like to make a few comments on… Hello? Hello? Hello? Can you hear me?

EN

[CROSSTALK]

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello?

INTERPRETER: …on the other channel. Can you hear me?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yes, I can. Yes I can.

INTERPRETER: Okay, good…

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I can hear you.

INTERPRETER: …what you say into the different channel. [CROSSTALK] …because I cannot do everything at once.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Okay. I just want to say that times like this, it's almost difficult to have a lot of time as to [inaudible]… We have so much on our Wiki page, and we bring so much on ICANN, I think we should [inaudible]… and Internet

governance, [inaudible] an essay on net neutrality. We have sent [inaudible]…

We had a two day event on net neutrality. [Inaudible] and broadband penetration in Nigeria. All I'm trying to say in short is that, [inaudible] activities of members can be gotten from their Wiki page. They're going to make, carry others along. Give the timeline of user's activities, or what members [inaudible] from their Wiki page. When we come in there, we can [inaudible] because [inaudible] this what we have been doing and this is what we [inaudible] to do.

We [inaudible] future [inaudible] with our Wiki page. Thank you.

Hello?

INTERPRETER: Please hold, they are not replying yet.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Hello [inaudible]. Yes, we heard you in English, and you have been interpreted…

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello?

SYLVIA VIVANCO: Yes. We heard you, we are heard you, and we are waiting for the…

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Okay, thank you, thank you.

SYLVIA VIVANCO: …to reply to your comment.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Hello?

        Hello?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: So now I can hear you.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. I agree [CROSSTALK] regarding Internet governance, but I think they are issues related to the governance, the Internet governance, so then AFRALO has to deal with too, that's what we work on, because we work on accountability as well.

        In other words, as Tijani said a while ago, AFRALO is the only constituency to have drafted a statement regarding the first draft of the CCWG. And I think AFRALO, as was said in Buenos Aries by a number of people, is one of the few RALOs to have been very, very, very active in this regard.

So, you see the fact that we have created a CROPP program, that program was created for our AFRALO members to be able to participate at different meetings where there is a great presence of other African actors, so that we can get in touch with them. Other than that, please bear in mind that you can always reach me via email and share with me your [inaudible], so that we can all together go on working to enhance our situation and our goals, in our projects.

It is very important to us to know what you think, because that is what will allow us to be active. Any other requests for the floor Gisella?

SARAH KIDEN: This is Sarah.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Please raise your hand on Adobe Connect if you wish to take the floor.

SARAH KIDEN: [Inaudible] raised my hand.

AZIZ HILALI: Gisella, are you there?

GISELLA GRUBER: Yes, Aziz here I am. It's Gisella.

AZIZ HILALI:	Aziz speaking. So are there any other requests for the floor?
GISELLA GRUBER:	Gisella speaking. I'm not sure of what I can see on the screen, hold on.
SILVIA VIVANCO:	Hello, this is Silvia. If somebody on the English channel wants to speak, you can say your name now.
SARAH KIDEN:	This is Sarah. [Inaudible] [CROSSTALK]
INTERPRETER:	So this is the interpreter speaking. Hold [CROSSTALK] to take the floor, I have to let Aziz know.
SILVIA VIVANCO:	Okay, Sarah, so when you want to speak, usually you say your name and then you're interpreted, and then are given the floor. So wait until you hear you have the floor.
SARAH KIDEN:	Okay.

INTERPRETER:	Good. So Sarah, you have the floor. You can go ahead, and I will interpret for you.
SARAH KIDEN:	Thank you. This is Sarah for the record. I just wanted to comment that the previous person who spoke [inaudible], so I didn't know who was speaking. That's all, thank you.
AZIZ HILALI:	Thank you very much Sarah. This is Aziz speaking. So we apologize to the interpreters, because we have taken a bit longer than expected. But still we thank you all for having participated actively, and thank you for having us. And this ends our monthly teleconference. We look forward to have you again next month.

Thank you Silvia, thank you Gisella, thank you to the interpreters. And talk to you soon.

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