TERRI AGNEW:

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. This is the LACRALO ccTLDs working group teleconference on Friday the 19th of September, 2014 at 22:00 UTC.

On the call today, on the English channel, we have Aida Noblia and Sergio Salinas Porto. There is no one on the English channel at the moment.

We have apologies from Jacqueline Morris and Olivier Crépin-Leblond. From staff we have Silvia Vivanco and myself, Terri Agnew. Our Spanish interpreter today is Sabrina.

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

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Terri, thank you Silvia, and thank you Sabrina for your support on this call. Unfortunately, there is very few of us on this call. I remember speaking with Marissa, she said she would be joining us a little bit later today because she had to leave work, and get back home in order to reach us. So maybe she will be joining us later.

We have certain items on our agenda today. We have taken care of roll call. And I would like to thank Aida for joining us on this call. Then we have the action items that were addressed in our prior activities. So I would like to remind you that we have been working on our

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questionnaire. And on this meeting, on this call, excuse me. Is my audio better now?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Yes, much, much better. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking again. Okay. Great. So the questionnaire. So the questionnaire should have been completed this week, so as to circulate it around or among the different NICs. And I would like to say that my idea was to systematize how we're going to work, and include Humberto Carrasco's input. I think that his input was very interesting. He divided input into three general items, and maybe we can feed our data with the news Aida, Dev, and my own input, to feed that structure, and bring these two close definitely.

I thought that Aida and Humberto could both work on this task. But honest, Aida, I don't know if you welcome this proposal.

AIDA NOBILA:

Aida speaking now. Well, I agree in that Humberto's input, contribution, was really important. His systematization of this item was really, really important. This was something submitted or contributed two months ago, approximately. So it is hard to recall when some time has gone by.

SABRINA:

The interpreter apologizes, but there is an issue with Aida's audio.

AIDA NOBILA:

Aida speaking. So after the meeting, I listened to the audio recording, and apparently we included not only Humberto's input about the legal or illegal condition or status of domains with six or seven items, then number two was the regulation or regulatory aspects, and item number three in his contribution had to do with conflicts or issues.

But last time we worked together, we focused on a questionnaire we had been fine tuning that questionnaire. However, on the last meeting according to the audio recording, well some additions were made. And I'm just reading the wiki. So, on over to the [nine?], we had another contribution made by Dev. He included his justification. He said that we needed a justification or rationale, rather, for this questionnaire.

And then we had some other input facing August 7th. So I am aware that we need to fine tune the questionnaire a little bit, because it has some repetition, and we need to include Dev's contribution. That is what needs to be done, that has been outstanding since August the 9th.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Aida, okay, here is my proposal. Okay. We are speaking about a systematized questionnaire, and we have a far longer questionnaire already drafted. So here is my proposal. Why don't you work with Humberto so that you can blend Humberto's systematization and contribution with what we have been doing so far.

SABRINA:

Speakers are overlapping. The interpreter apologizes.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking again. So this would be very interesting because it entails reading the material and incorporating questions, or feeding questions, from our questionnaire into Humberto's systemization. And I think that should do, and then we can start circulating the questionnaire.

AIDA NOBILA:

Yes, of course. We will try to do it. I will get in touch with Humberto to see if we can get together and systematize this, because we have plenty of questions.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Okay. If you're interested in doing this, we can start doing this right now. So that we can get closer to the result, to our desired outcome if you will.

Sergio speaking again. Okay. We still have 50 minutes ahead. So, or maybe a little bit less than 50 minutes.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Okay. I am reading the wiki right now. I don't know if you can read wiki. So if you have the screen in front of you, and I see the questionnaire. And we, and I also see these points or these items that need to be incorporated or added. So let me see if I can tally all of

these items, and see how we can incorporate Humberto's input or contribution.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Okay, you can see the Adobe Connect room, which I cannot do on this call. So, maybe what you can do is post, or maybe Silvia from staff can do this, maybe we can post or display a blank page on the Adobe Connect screen, so that we can start working there. I don't know if this would be possible. Maybe we can hold that, or display that blank page on the Adobe Connect screen, and we can start drafting or working on this document right away.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

This is Silvia from staff. Yes, of course, we can do it. The issue we have right now is that, I am trying to type into the Adobe Connect room, however I am having some issues with the set that I am typing right now into the Adobe Connect room. I don't know if Aida perhaps could type something in the chat box for us to see.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. I am trying to copy and paste Humberto's contribution.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Maybe the format is not going to be quite clear Aida. It's going to be all together. What you could do is take a blank page, display that blank page on the central screen on the Adobe Connect.

And then on a separate note, what you can do is type something in the chat box for Silvia to visualize.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Well I have typed something that says specification or

[Spanish] in Spanish.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia from staff speaking. Well I cannot see it, because I have some issues with Adobe Connect. So I will close my Adobe Connect session.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. I can see that, and it's right above interested [inaudible] questions to say is there an English audio channel. You can see there that it says that I have posted, is the justification or rationale rather. So that was thought as something to include before the questionnaire.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Unfortunately, I cannot access the Adobe Connect room, so I don't see anything. I depend on you completely.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia from staff speaking. Okay. I can see everything clearly now. So Aida, I can open a Word document, paste your text on that document, and send that document to Terri, so that Terri can display that document in the Adobe Connect room. On the big screen, the central screen in the Adobe Connect room.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Okay. In the meantime, while we work out the technical issues, I am trying for the umpteenth time to get into the Adobe Connect room.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Okay. So there we have the justification or rationale. And I think that this dates back from August the 9th. So, I think that some part, especially the last part, are not really relevant. So it goes from the text that you have to paste, goes from [Spanish] in Spanish, justification or rationale in English, it starts there and it finishes in the word following.

Colon, August 9th, okay, that date should be deleted. Let's see if I can delete it.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia from staff speaking. Okay I have sent that to Terri so that she can share that in the Adobe Connect room screen.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Okay. So that would be the rationale for our questionnaire. Now what we should do is to include Humberto's contribution, and then feed the questionnaire into Humberto's structure, if you will. Because Humberto has sort of put everything in order, if you will. So what I will do is to copy and paste Humberto's contributions.

Aida speaking. Okay, I have posted something in the chat box, and it's somehow chopped at the end. But that is Humberto's contribution, what I have just posted.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

This is Silvia from staff. Okay, so Terri is sharing the rationale on the screen. Thank you Terri.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Terri. Okay so now, what we're going to do is to work on this document. The document that is now displayed is Humberto's document, right?

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. No, no, no. That is the rationale. What we see now is the rationale that proceeds the questionnaire, because it explains something, it explains why the questionnaire has been drafted. So this is what we explained. So we would have the questionnaire itself divided into the three segments or sections proposed by Humberto.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Can someone please read out the rationale? Maybe Aida or Silvia?

AIDA NOBLIA: Aida speaking. Okay, just give me a second, bear with me please. I was

trying to copy and paste Humberto's contribution, so please bear with

me.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Silvia from staff speaking. I sent Humberto's input to Terri. So I think

Terri displayed the rationale first. So I don't know if you want

something else.

AIDA NOBLIA: Aida speaking. Okay. The thing is that I need to complete Humberto's

input, but I can read the rationale then.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Silvia from staff speaking. Okay, and after that we can work on this

other document, we can ask Terri to display the other document.

AIDA NOBLIA: Aida speaking. Okay. I see upload in progress now in the Adobe

Connect room.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Silvia speaking. I think Terri is changing the document now. Thank you

Terri.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Okay, perfect. Now I can see the document, it's a little bit small. Okay. Okay. I'll read out the rationale. The objective of the working group, of the ccTLD working group, is to design and let me see, I can't read that very well, because I cannot see the right hand side of the page.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. But you should have that in your computer so you can read it out from there.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Okay.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia speaking. You have to, okay I have reduced the size of the document so it's perfectly readable now.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aids speaking.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

This is Silvia. I can read it out loud if you will so that it can be interpreted into English for the participants on the English channel. So Silvia speaking. So rationale, the objective of this ccTLD working group is to define and promote the Latin American and Caribbean perspective within At Large in the ICANN ccTLD processes.

To that end, the group is going to investigate the practical working of ccTLDs, existing documents and policies in place, in relation to the ccTLDs. The relation of ccTLDs with other TLDs with governance and with security on the Internet, as well as topics related to ccTLDs in the region. Within this framework, in order to achieve a success, has decided to start drafting a map, or a situation map for every or each country in the region, regarding the ccTLDs in that country. So that if they decided to draft a survey, and a questionnaire was drafted also, in order to have direct information from every ccTLD representative in the LACRALO countries.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Yes, and then there is a phrase that says the questionnaire follows. And after that, we have a division contributed by Humberto.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

This is Silvia speaking. Okay so I'm going to read it out loud. Second paragraph, general situation of the domain. The agree and use of the domain, if the domains subdivided on a territorial basis, USA or on a subject matter basis, for instance dot com, dot net, what are the requirements to become a member or to have a subdomain? What is the nature of the person registering a domain name and the legal regime of that person?

Is that a public entity, an university, a private company? And is it publically administrated or is it administered by the government? Then C, consider the possibility of domain name registries as a public service

and its consequences. And E, contemplate limitations or liabilities limitations in the face of consumers or uses that may deprive users of their rights to compensation in view of deficiencies expecting the use, or the central purpose, of the product or service.

And F, interventions in domain management.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. There is something missing. I should continue copying and pasting. So we should include the other questions now.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. That's not necessary. We can continue working with what we have. I think that Humberto included some aspects that bring in some interesting nuisances. Because in some way, they define the purpose of objective of the ccTLD. For instance, the possibility of considering domain name registries or registrations as a public services, and the consequences thereof.

So, I think that this question and other questions bring in some interesting nuisances in this questionnaire. And I don't know to what extent a public official, or a civil servant, is going to reply to this questionnaire. But I believe that Humberto's proposals are really very interesting because they go beyond what we had initially planned. And also, they provide a different framework for the time we have to draft or make that map we want to prepare.

So what I would do is to gather all the questions that we have in terms of the legal status of a domain. So, we have all the questions posted on

the wiki. And we have to see how to add, or how to incorporate these questions, because of course, it is clear that we will have to subdivide, if you will, our questionnaire in three different parts. That has to do with the general situation of the domains, and another part has to do with the legal aspects, and another part has to do with the conflict over these two.

So, we should add our material to this questionnaire, or this proposal sent by Humberto.

AIDA NOBLIA: Aida speaking. Yes, I agree with that. And after item F, that said

intervention in domain management, there is some part missing.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Yes, of course, I am aware of that, so you don't, you

need not worry about that.

AIDA NOBLIA: Aida speaking. Okay. So yes, it speaks about conflicts and there is

something else after Humberto's contribution that if you want, I can

post in our chat room.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Okay. I see that Erick and Cintra are asking for the

floor. So I will give the floor to Cintra first, and Erick, Cintra, I have no

possibility of, I have no access to the Adobe Connect room. So I

apologize if I don't see you raising your hand because I am being informed of who is asking for the floor, but I cannot see people raising their hand. So with that, Cintra please go ahead, you have the floor.

CINTRA SOOKNANAN:

Thank you very much Sergio. I do think that this proposal by Humberto is very interesting indeed. However, I would like to know the legal status that ICANN and At Large has to ask the ccTLD managers these questions, and as well to enforce any kind of restrictions or compliance upon the ccTLD managers to change the way they operate.

I do not think this falls within the remit of ICANN nor At Large. If ICANN or At Large chooses to, it may recommend a set of guidelines, to ccTLD holders. However, there is absolutely no mechanism whereby we may enforce ccTLD holders to comply with submission of any responses to the survey, or to change their operations.

I would like to know if you consider there to be any ultimate mechanism by which ccTLD holders can in fact be forced to comply. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Cintra. First of all, let me say that it's a pleasure to have you on the call today. We hadn't been in touch for some time, so it is a pleasure to have you on the call. Secondly, this is just a questionnaire, and our intent is to have respondents reply on a voluntary basis. In no way will this be compulsory, or anything like it. The idea is to have a, in many cases, an initial contact with many of these bodies or organizations, and [inaudible] or somehow start working with them.

But to that end, we needed a social map, if you will, showing the way in which our ccTLDs and registries work in our region. Some questions may not be replied. As well, of course, sometimes silence or lack of a reply may lead us to wonder why that happened, why a question has not been answered, or is it because maybe the question shouldn't have been asked?

Was it because that, or the ccTLD administrator or manager did not consider, or consider that they shouldn't reply to that question? So, the idea is to have as much information as possible gathered through the different Internet, sorry, ccTLD operators or registries. But the idea is not to put them in a touch or difficult situation. And of course, the idea is not that they should feel forced to reply.

So with that, I will now give the floor to Erick. Erick, go ahead please.

Sergio speaking again. Erick? Are you on the call?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia speaking. Erick, we cannot hear you. Maybe your line or your microphone is muted, so please unmute your line or your microphone.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Erick? Are you there?

Sergio speaking. Okay, in the meantime, while Erick worked out this technical issue, I think that Aida was hoping for the floor, so go ahead Aida.

AIDA NOBLIA:

Aida speaking. Thank you. Okay. My reply to Cintra is that actually, I had here in Uruguay, I had already spoken with the person in charge of this, it's the person working at an university. Expert for dot com, that in my case, in my country, is being run by the telephone service carriers or operators. But in terms of legal regulations or rules, well you see that part has been contributed by Humberto, but our questions were more to the point and shorter.

So the first one said, what are the legal regulations, etc. that create or provide a framework to the ccTLD in your country, etc.? So they were very focused questions, or very to the point. However, in my case, the person in charge of that had no issue whatsoever in [reassigning?]. But this questionnaire was not totaled as something compulsory, but rather as a contribution.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Erick, go ahead please.

ERICK IRIARTE AHON:

This is Erick speaking. Erick speaking. Okay. Some points that need to be taken into consideration on the basis of your comment, Sergio, are the following. At the end of the day, the ADF is for us to recount to the ccTLDs. The first thing we need to understand is that ccTLDs are not public entities, or organizations, or state organizations. Although in some cases, they are within the ministry of communication, for instance.

So, the compulsory nature of this questionnaire is something arbitrary. If we raised questions that may lead to a conflict of interest, then we're not going to have an answer. Questions such as the possibility of considering domain name registrations of the public service are completely out of place when the ccTLD is not run by a state or a government, as is the case in 80% of the countries in Latin America.

So, and also regarding the intervention of the domain name administration, well that goes against relevant agreements, or agreements in place, and ICANN's recent statement regarding ccTLDs. So, maybe Humberto's contribution has to do with a PhD, or the post graduate studies he is pursing, but I don't share that view.

I think that we can obtain this information by doing our own research, because this information, the ccTLD policies, are of public nature. Countries having ccTLDs policies have those policies publically available, and this information has been systematized and is readily available. So I really don't see why we are speaking, or looking for something, that we already have.

And I am concerned about the nature this group is adopting, because it is becoming a sort of reviewer of ccTLDs, if you will. I agree with participation, but this approach, and I explicitly want this on the record, I want to say that ISOC Peru fully rejects this systemic review of ccTLDs in Latin America.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Erik for your comment. For the record, what he says is not true. Nobody is trying to persecute anyone, or to do

anything with ccTLDs. I think that you have no grasp or understood anything of what we are doing. I have no issue...

SABRINA: The interpreter apolo

The interpreter apologizes. There are two speakers overlapping now.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. I think there is a misunderstanding here.

ERICK IRIARTE AHON: Erik speaking. Your views and the views of organizations related to

yours, are constant in terms of ccTLDs. You explicitly go against...

SILVIA VIVANCO: Excuse me, this is Silvia Vivanco from staff, if I may?

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Erick, if you will say your name for the record.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Silvia speaking from staff. And also speak one at a time please, because

you are being interpreted. Because if you overlap, then you are not going to be interpreted. We couldn't get a word of Erick's comment. So please Sergio, go ahead and please say your name before taking the

floor. Thank you.

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SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Silvia. So first of all, there are people waiting to take the floor. I think that you haven't understood this, but I insist we can continue discussing this, we can give the floor to our colleagues. And I appreciate your comments and your input so that we are aware of your view. Because sometimes we cannot fully understand somebody else's message.

Silvia, if you can please tell me who is asking for the floor?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia speaking. Okay. Cintra was asking the floor after Erick. So Cintra is next.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Cintra, go ahead please, you have the floor.

CINTRA SOONANAN:

Thank you very much. This is Cintra. There are two things I want to read. Firstly, there are many ccTLDs that I am aware of within the Caribbean who are not members of ICANN, nor of LAC TLD. And this is a personal choice they make because of reasons that we may not be aware of, nor should it concern us. That is a personal and private decision of the ccTLD, and how they operate to serve their community.

It is in very much a sense of respect of their local community, and in consultation with their local stakeholders, right? So any non-submission of this questionnaire, should not be deemed as a strike against ccTLD managers. The reason that I have specific interest in this, is because I

mean, I know many of you, and you would understand it, I do seek public interest within my local community.

And I'm also a member of the multistakeholder advisory group of TT, which is TT NIC. I was the one who filled out this survey on behalf of TT NIC. And I can tell you with somebody coming from a public interest background, representing the users of the Internet, Internet in Trinidad and Tobago, I felt that this survey was asking too many questions, and questions not related to the public interest.

I agree with Erick, that I found the questions were more in line with a PhD survey, rather than something that is relevant to At Large and ICANN. Secondly, I would like to warn again, the creation of working group for this specific purpose is a waste of ICANN resources, and a waste of LACRALO resources. This working group, if it chooses to speak to ccTLD issues, must do so within the context of ICANN, and within and utilize the resources of ICANN.

Therefore, in order to reach ccTLD holders, we should specifically do some outreach with the ccNSO, rather than going to LAC TLD. If there is any assessment between the division or the discrepancy of ccTLDs, within, sorry, ccNSO, and LAC TLD, then this is something we need to look at. But again, this is very much a local issue, and something that I personally believe that At Large does not have authority to go into. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Cintra. And I insist, first of all, we are not speaking about countries or ccTLDs that are not in LAC TLD or in ICANN.

Secondly, this is not a questionnaire that is chasing or persecuting ccTLDs. It is simply a questionnaire to gather some information provided by them so that we can create a map that reflects the way in which the ccTLDs operate within our region.

Any other speculation, well, I really don't know where it comes from because it is not interest, or our intent, to do anything beyond what we want to do. So I really don't know where these ideas come from. This is new to me. Aida, you have the floor, and then Erick.

AIDA NOBLIA:

This is Aida speaking. Well, I am quite surprised because we had worked with other people, Dev and others, and I am relatively new here, compared to Sergio or Erick. Because I started working in this community this year, or last year, I am relatively new. However, we thought about this as a research project. More experienced people that were in this group before, like Dev for instance, focused on the group's objective, and none of them mentioned what Erick has just mentioned, which is of course, is respectable.

And also in his comment is respectable. However, my understanding was that since the ccTLDs are somewhat within ICANN, I don't know if all of them, or some, or none... Well, what we were trying to do was to survey the real situation to see, I mean the objective of what we're doing is in the rationale of this questionnaire. So, the idea was, first of all, a survey to conduct or perform a survey. And the questionnaire was never thought as something compulsory.

And I would have never accepted something compulsory, and I would have never proposed something like that in my country where we live in a democracy. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Aida. Erick, you have the floor now, go ahead please.

ERICK IRIARTE AHON:

Erick speaking. Thank you. Aida, the rationale accept for the change as defined be, established, well, this means that part of our research project, will entail ccTLDs that are closer to us. And also, we have to focus on different parts or pieces of information that already publically available. So all of this domain names regulations or rules in Latin America are available on a website that I myself compiled over the course of the year.

So we don't even need to do that. Now, regarding the questionnaire, well who are we? Are we ccTLD auditors, to ask them if they can determine whether that is a public service or not? So, that is, or infringes document 1591, which is a core document within ICANN. So, some or a few months ago, in the case of Iran, ICANN said that ccTLDs are part of a system.

They do not exist per se, out of the Internet system. I would be very interested in gathering this information, but if you ask a ccTLD, "How can I intervene your management or your administration?" How can you expect that ccTLD to reply? The ccTLD is going to think, "I don't

want to work with this group of people." So, instead of defined, use the word establish, and this questionnaire has nothing to do with the one we discussed on our prior call.

We were discussing indicators, policies, etc. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Erick, is that the end of your comment?

ERICK IRIARTE AHON: Yes, that's the end of my comment.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you Erick. I understand your view Erick, and I

see that more clearly now. Maybe you're right. You may be right. So

let me ask you for a favor. Please, help us change or amend these

questionnaires so that it is better received or perceived.

ERICK IRIARTE AHON: Okay. Perfect.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Silvia speaking. Sergio, Aida is asking for the floor.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. I don't know if Erick is still on the call, or if he has

dropped, because I had asked a question of Erick.

ERICK IRIARTE AHON:

Erick speaking. Oh, my apologies Sergio. I was typing my reply in the Adobe Connect room. I said yes. Aida had a prior version. I don't know what happened with that version.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Well, we are still working on that version. And I will give the floor to Aida now, but what we were doing was to take Humberto's contribution, that division he made in three big sections, and we were trying to feed our questionnaire into that classification, or that subdivision. That is what we were doing when you joined the call. Maybe, and that's why I'm saying that you may be right, maybe some of the questions posed by Humberto raised some alerts.

So my proposal is, let's work together. My idea was to have Aida and Humberto working on that. I would like you to join them as well, and work on the questionnaire. The idea is to bring the questionnaire to a close, to complete it or to conclude it, to start working with the [inaudible].

So there is nothing underlying, or underneath, there is nothing concealed or hidden. We're doing this with no second intentions or second thoughts. We are being straightforward, forthcoming. Well, if we are making any mistakes, we are willing to correct that mistake. So if you're willing to do so, we would be circulating an email within the week to coordinate this.

I believe that Aida was asking for the floor and then Cintra. So Aida, go ahead please.

AIDA NOBLIA:

This is Aida speaking. Yes, what we posted now, or are displaying now in the Adobe Connect room, is the rationale and Humberto's contribution. So the word define, I'm responsible for that word. So this is a draft version that we are posting for discussion, and the same applies to Humberto's contribution. This is the very first time we are working on this together since he posted this on the wiki.

Of course, yes, we have the other set of questions, the questionnaire we had been working on, but welcome on board. Let's work together. I think that we were just focusing on conducting a survey and seeing the reality of something called ccTLD. So I did not think about whether this is of a public nature or not. I just focused on researching the ccTLDs, that was it. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Aida. Cintra, you have the floor now, go ahead please.

CINTRA SOOKNANAN:

Thank you Sergio. This is Cintra. Given Aida's comment just now, what is the specific purpose of this survey? How are the survey results going to be used? Are there specific disclaimers within the survey where the information will be used? How long it will be stored? Where it would

be stored? Who will have access to the information? How they can change the information in the future, if the consensus changes?

All of these things we must be aware of, and we must be very careful of when issuing a service such as this. I do not perceive that any of these matters have been addressed, or even contemplated in any great detail. And I find it extremely dangerous for At Large, LACRALO, or ICANN to be involved in this mechanism of survey. To external entities and ccTLD holders, without even having the discussion with the ccNSO. Thank you.

I would like to hear some proposals for the questions I have just raised. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you Cintra for your comments and questions. First of all, what we were going to do, what we use the data obtained to create a map reflecting the ccTLDs in our region. We had no thought about what you raised, because we understand that if we get replies to these questions, the information will be of a public nature. In fact, some of the information that we are seeking, as Erick has just said, is already of public nature.

So we are not asking any questions that cannot be replied by a ccTLD, or we are not asking any type of question that could have, or could entail any risk. Because these questions are of a public nature, and the ccTLD is not for or compared to reply to the question. They can refrain from replying and that's it. And we will focus on how we can complete our map, or if not, we will have a gap or an empty space on the map without any information.

What we want to do is to systematize information that will reflect the situation of ccTLDs in our region. I don't see the risk you see Cintra, entailed in knowing the number of domains registered. If that information is already of a public nature, I don't see the danger in having that information. And if you are so concerned, or so worried, please send us a proposal because maybe we are overlooking things, and surely you can make your contribution so that this will work better.

So your contribution will be welcome. This is what I can say. We are reaching the top of the hour now. So I would like to thank all of you for your participation, for joining us on the call. We will be circulating emails this week, maybe we can work by means of email exchanges on our email exchange list. And that would be great.

So surely on Monday, you will be receiving emails with Humberto's proposal, and the questionnaire so far, and we can start discussing our next step. I really want to thank you for joining us on the call. I would like to thank the interpreter, staff for their support on this call. So, thank you and we'll be in touch. Goodbye now.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia from staff. Thank you Sergio. Thank you everyone. And have a very nice weekend. Goodbye.

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