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MATHIEU WEILL: Thank you very much. Welcome to the CCWG Accountability Work Stream 2 Plenary number six. It's a huge pleasure to welcome this call, which has very [inaudible] a few days after the transition took place. But to start with some administrative [items].

I would like to ask for anyone who is on the phone line only to comment so that we can add you to the roll call. I know, [inaudible], you are on audio only for the time being. Anyone else on audio only.

THOMAS RICKERT: This is Thomas speaking.

MATHIEU WEILL: Thomas?

THOMAS RICKERT: Yeah, thank you.

MARKUS KUMMER: Markus Kummer is here.

MATHIEU WEILL: Hi Markus. Put him also on the roll call. Anyone else?

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SUEN OJEDEJU: This is Seun on the Adobe.

MATHIEU WEILL: Hi Suen. This is noted as well. Welcome. I think that's going to be it for the roll call. And are there any updates to statements of interest that are worth mentioning for this group?

I am hearing none, so I suggest we move right into our meeting, and we have an agenda that has been shared yesterday, starting with item number one, small update on the IANA transition. And I'm [glad] to report that the IANA contract has expired, and as a consequence, the new bylaws that implement our work stream one recommendations are now officially in place.

This is a major, major milestone for the multistakeholder model. Communities are now in charge, and we are sharing, we are all of us are sharing the accountability and responsibility of making ICANN a better model. Of course, there has been a lot of ups and downs in the last few weeks. I think they have provided a stern reminder, if we ever had needed a reminder, of why the transition was required.

We had all agreed that the internet is to be protected from politics [inaudible] and appearance from obstructions in the communities' will. And I think, in a way, we can thank those who have almost to the point of exhaustion, tried everything they could to stop the transition. Their efforts have [inaudible] the solidity of our commitment of our principles.

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So we are entering a new phase, and it is now incumbent upon all of us to live up to the shared accountability model. We'll start with our work stream two efforts, and they're in the way, and people are looking at us to demonstrate that we can still [make?] improvements to ICANN's accountability as part of the continuous improvement [inaudible].

So, it's time to celebrate because it has been a tremendous group effort, and I think, I hope that we can do that in Hyderabad or even before, with a view [inaudible], not in the middle of the night that you did celebrate on Friday. But as of now, we are also writing a new chapter of ICANN's history, and we need to make it a story of commitment, collaboration, respect for each other, and I think the best way to start this is to double down on implementing the cost transition model we have agree, and double down on delivering a complete proposal for work stream two.

But thank you all for being part of this group. It's a really great group to work with, with great support from staff. And on behalf of my fellow co-chairs, we look forward to continuing the great work. And I would like to open the floor for any comments, questions on the transition, or remarks.

I see Kavouss's hand is up. Kavouss.

Kavouss? We can't hear you yet.

KAVOUSS ARASTEH:

Hello. Can you hear me?

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MATHIEU WEILL: Yes, I can hear you now. Welcome Kavouss.

KAVOUSS ARASTEH: Good morning, or good afternoon, good evening. A very summary of what I said last night in one of the other groups. I think the entire community, including CCWG and which is to [inaudible] its gratitude and sincere appreciations to the very, very hard work that has been done by the CWG group, reach for the stars at the first time of the transition, and which one last one ended the process, in particular during the last three months.

So much hard work were done by many people, heroes I would call them, and preparing all of these agreements, going through all of these things. Staff of ICANN, legal part, and legal counsel, and other people. And in particular, particular the two co-chairs [inaudible] and the Johnathan Robertson, they really tirelessly, in a very competent patient, skillful manner, and professional they have done the job, and they really deserve a sincere appreciation from the community.

And I suggest that we put some sentence or something in the record of this meeting, from the entire CCWG expressing this appreciation. And we can tell them, Jonathan, Liz, thank you, thank you, and also ICANN and others. Well done, thank you.

MATHIEU WEILL: Thank you very much Kavouss. And I support your suggestion to put on the record our great appreciation of the work they've been doing over the two years. The amazing [inaudible] they've been through in the last

few months, and also the excellent collaboration that we had with them. I mean, both groups have collaborated well. It's been through the co-chair level as well, and I think that is a remarkable effort because we all know how difficult it is sometimes to coordinate two difficult groups like ours.

So I fully support your request, and I think it's an important aspect. We note Avri's chat comment as well to, not to dismiss, or to remember the NTIA staff, and especially [inaudible] actually were absolutely outstanding in this effort. I think what was most outstanding, it was the trust demonstrated all through the process towards the community and the multistakeholder model.

They set out a process, and then were absolutely respecting the process, and not interfering with the outcome. And I think that was an example of leadership that was contemplated and [inaudible] in this transition. I see that Sebastien's hand is up.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Yeah, thank you very much Mathieu. Yeah, I wanted to say the same thing about Larry and his team, and really when I saw the testimony out of Senator Cruz, I was really shocked, and it was very, very, very good and very calm. That's something important. But I want to add one person that I didn't hear anybody mentioning, but I can tell you that I was on the Board of ICANN at that moment that nothing will have been done at the same time, and maybe we will not be where we are today, without the work of Fadi Chehadé.

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He started the discussion with Larry, and I guess the fact that they were to understand each other and to work together was a great start. And I really want to add in to the list of people we need to thank, even if he's not anymore participating in ICANN today, he was very important at that moment, thank you.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Thank you Sebastien. I will follow Megan's suggestion, I think we... It has been a process where many, many have been involved in. Everyone at their respected levels have made this a success. It's a community effort, and it's the community that deserves to be celebrated.

That, I think, will be our IANA transition update. As I was saying, we still have a lot ahead of us, so let's move on to action item, agenda item number two. And for that, I'm moving to León.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much Mathieu. This is León Sanchez. And it's a pleasure to be with you again on these plenary calls. And well, we have a review or [inaudible] on the action items, from the call on September the 20<sup>th</sup>, and we have two action items. The first, comprising whether the subgroup rapporteurs would advise on whether their topics are rather complex or less complex than expected.

And also, it is expected that the rapporteurs will deliver in this week of October the 5<sup>th</sup>, their preliminary reports getting to [Hyderabad?]. And also the second action item is to have the staff review the resources to see if there is a means to do interviews with leaders to assist with

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drafting positions, and of course, the subgroups should advise the staff if interested in these assessments.

So, so far, all of the subgroups have reported that are actually on track as originally planned. We have a slight deviation on a couple of subgroups, the jurisdiction [inaudible] the accountability, and the ombudsman subgroups, were originally planning to deliver some output for Hyderabad. But discussions have grown a bit more complex than expected originally.

They will be presenting outputs before Copenhagen. So, we would be looking at some kind of input in Copenhagen. Other than that, as I said, the rest of the groups have reported that they are well on track to achieve the original plan to deliver, either by Hyderabad or Copenhagen, corresponding.

So, I don't know if Karen has any input as to how staff has been interacting with the subgroups, and whether the subgroups have requested any drafting support for their paper deliveries. Karen, can I hand the floor to you to give us an update on that?

KAREN MULBERRY:

Yes, thank you very much. This is Karen Mulberry for ICANN staff. For action item number two, we have had several groups that have indicated and interested in [inaudible] staff support, either in, based on editorial formatting [inaudible] down to, I'm not sure exactly how much depth and detail and what they're interested in, other than not interested in [inaudible] under their own abilities to edit and develop the material.

But based on the input that we've had so far, we're going to go back to the CCWG budget and see if we up staff support, does that have an impact on the budget? And if it does, we'll feed that back to the group for consideration. And then from there, we can indicate to all of the subgroups amount and level of support, to provide them to help with the development of their report.

That's where we stand right now, and I'm still working internally to get with Bernie and others to frame the budget question, and see if there is going to be any hit to the budget if we provide more resources to support the group.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much. And I believe that there was [inaudible] was going to be sent to different subgroups. I don't know if that has already happened, and if it happened, well of course, we would kindly ask for that template to be sent to the subgroups' rapporteurs of course take [inaudible] that template. I see Sebastien's hand is up, so Sebastien, you have the floor.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Thank you León. Sebastien speaking. Yeah, we are the ICANN ombudsman office drafting meeting or call yesterday, or for me yesterday, 12 hours or something like that. I have to report that we will ask for some budget, and I will try to fulfill request by tomorrow. And to give all of the information needed to allow you for a decision on that. And I think, yeah, it will come with where we are with our work, and what we can expect also from staff. Thank you very much.

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LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you very much for this update, Sebastien. And that would actually complete our second agenda item, but I would like to open the floor if there are any questions or comments regarding this update on action items from our September 20<sup>th</sup> plenary call, and those that have been recorded, apply different subgroups.

Okay, so seeing no questions or comments on this agenda item, I will now turn to Mathieu Weill for the third agenda item.

MATHIEU WEILL: Thank you very much. So the agenda item is the timeline. And... Okay, so what [kind end?] timeline. As you can see, we are trying to plan ahead the plenary sessions, so that we can have visibility on our respective barriers. There is the, obviously in the middle, there is the Hyderabad meeting. And I think this is... The schedule is online on the Wiki.

Any comments on those plenary sessions? I'm seeing none, so moving forward. The key on this... Oh, I see Sebastien's hand is up. Sebastien.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yes, sorry Mathieu. Sebastien Bachollet speaking. But you are, it's annoying that one of the meetings is in the middle of, [inaudible], in the middle of IGF, and the middle of one also international meeting in Paris. It's just to be sure that the one in December, I guess 7<sup>th</sup>, is done on purpose. Thank you.

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I will not be in either one of them, but I want to be sure that you are aware of it.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Yes, yes good point, Sebastien. Whether it's on purpose or not, I would not say, but certainly it's meant that we are aware. But the good thing is the [inaudible] slot, we've checked with the agenda of the IGF in Mexico, and there is no competing meeting, in Mexico, so that's a good side.

Obviously, we need to make sure we have [inaudible] participation. So we'll take note of this and see how we can optimize.

So back to the work plan. There is... You see that we have updated the work plan according to our last meeting's confirmation obviously that no public comment would be ready in time for Hyderabad. We have two sets of topics. One would be ready for public comment for Copenhagen, the other well before [inaudible].

And we hope to be closing by the either Hyderabad [inaudible] work plan phase, and be on the well on the way of [inaudible]. This is just to make sure we all have the same view of the work plan on the timeline. Are there any comments, questions, remarks on this?

No. Okay. So, I think this... Is it for the work plan and timeline, it's just a quick follow up from our last call, and [inaudible] next agenda item. And this is going to be the budget update. And León, back to you.

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LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you very much Mathieu. This is León Sanchez again. And well, we have an update on the budget, and I would like to ask Bernard to, if he could provide us an update on where we're standing with the budget. So, Bernie, could you please take the floor?

BERNARD TURCOTTE: León, thank you. I hope everyone can hear me?

LEÓN SANCHEZ: We do hear you.

BERNARD TURCOTTE: Excellent, thank you. On budget reporting as such, I have been working with finance over the last few weeks, they are wrestling quite a bit with getting various groups who submit expenses to classify them properly, so we can report according to the formats that we have presented. We're hoping to have that first report by the end of the week.

So I don't think it's... It hasn't been forgotten. We were hoping to have something for today, but when we looked at it, we said no, we want to have it right for the community. So it will be a little bit further along once we actually get those things sorted out. We're hoping that we will be able to present the quarterly report in Hyderabad.

Next, the GNSO has approved our budget. It's a bit of a slight time warp. If you'll remember when we were in Helsinki, we had developed a budget, and there was a request to have it approved by the end of July. Well, it's never too late to get it done, so as of the moment, we

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have the ccNSO and now the GNSO has approved it, and we're looking to have the ALAC approve it shortly, as well as the ASO and the GAC has shown its support for the budget.

So it should all be done this week, hopefully, on those types of things. What's important to note, and it's up on the slides right now, is the GNSO approval has come with a number of caveats, and it's probably important for this group to run through them.

And I'll just read through them quickly so everyone is up to date, and for those who are only on audio can get a flavor of this. It's not necessarily to do this for a long discussion, it has been passed and it is what it is, but it should help us think about what has been approved, and how the GNSO went about it.

So, number one, the GNSO Counsel hereby accepts the proposed CCWG accountability fiscal year 17 budget, as well as the cost control processes presented in conjunction with the CCWG budget. Expects the working groups to be restrained and judicious in their use of outside legal assistance, and believes that the legal committee shall exercise reasonable and effective controls in evaluating requests for outside legal assistance, and should approve them only when being essential to the working groups to fully and objectively understand, and develop, a particular course of action for which the group has reached a substantial degree of consensus, and requires legal advice on its risks and feasibility.

Number two, GNSO Counsel expects to receive regular updates on actual expenditures, as tracked against this adopted budget, and

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reserves the right to provide further input on the budget allocation in relation to the CCWG accountability related activities.

Number three, the GNSO Counsel expects ICANN staff, including its Office of General Counsel, to provide the assistance requested by the CCWG and its working groups, in an expeditious, comprehensive, and unbiased manner. The GNSO Counsel expects the CCWG accountability and staff, work within the constraints of this approached budget, and that excess costs or requests for additional funding beyond said budget should be recommended by the legal committee, only when deemed essential to the completion of the CCWG's work and objective.

And finally, it is the position of the GNSO Counsel that revisiting the jurisdiction or organization of the ICANN Legal entity, as established by the CCWG accountability work stream one, would not likely be supported by this projected budget, and further, that such inquiry would not be undertaken at this, should not be undertaken at this time because the new accountability are all premised and dependent on California jurisdiction, for their effective operation, and any near term changes of organizational jurisdiction could be extremely destabilizing for ICANN in this community.

There we go. That's it for everyone. Thank you.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much Bernie. And at this point, I would like to open the floor for any comments or question in regards to where we're standing with the budget approval.

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Okay, so I see no questions or hands raised. And this has been a quite substantive update on the budget. And I see that there is a question from Jorge Cancio in the chat. It says that, "Could we have some explanation of the effect of the GNSO opinion for the CCWG?"

Well, I guess I wouldn't be able to [inaudible] such an explanation. I would say that the budget, as I heard from Bernie, has been approved. We do have some comments or some caveats on that approval, but I think that this will be something that would need to be further discussed with the chair of the GNSO in the GNSO.

So, I guess there is no immediate reply to that question, Jorge, at this point, but we will surely get back to the [comments?] so that we can provide a clearer view of which implications these comments have, or how this could impact our work forward. So, are there any other questions or comments on the budget?

Okay. So seeing none, no more questions or comments, I would like to turn back to Mathieu for the next agenda item.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Thank you León. So the next agenda item is the issues raised by subgroups. We have on the list for today, and it's the ombudsman subgroup. So I will turn to Sebastien for a short introduction of the issue, and then we'll try to provide some guidance for the group. Sebastien?

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SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yes, thank you very much Mathieu. Yeah, we wanted to be sure within the ICANN ombudsman office drafting team, what will be the role of ombudsman in regarding PTI, as nothing was into the bylaws of PTI. We had discussion with both future staff of PTI, possible staff of PTI, and with legal from ICANN, and we had discussions within our group.

But we wanted to be sure that the fact that there is nothing specific into the bylaw of PTI, and into, for the moment, any other documents. We need to work on that, and we came with possible solution to add that to the website of the ombudsman, to add that to the framework of the ombudsman's office. And what I wanted to be sure as a rapporteur of this group is that there is no need from point of view of the participants of this meeting for anything adding illegally in any bylaw post-PTI ones, or ICANN ones.

And the point of view of staff, both from IANA and from ICANN, is that there is no need for something in the bylaw. And I wanted to just check with you that it's your understanding also, and now I can't ask that the CWG agree with that, as it was closed by yesterday, but it was the question was more raised to send, to us but I am sure that among you there are some people who can answer. Thank you. Hope it's clear.

MATHIEU WEILL: Thank you Sebastien. So you're looking for confirmation of this role of the ombudsman in the PTI disputes. Are there any, anyone in the room, CWG participants or others who have a different view?

No, and I'm not surprised. I think that's very clear, you have only context now set so that it can be [related?] to the ombudsman's office

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role. So I think we can provide this confirmation, and we'll make sure in the notes that this is clearly confirmed for your group to work on, that this scope of the role of the ombudsman with the PTI disputes.

In that case, I think the answer you are looking for. Before turning to the next agenda item, is there any last minute issues to be raised by any of the subgroups?

Sebastien, you're back.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Yes, thank you. Not so much to raise by the subgroup, but just to confirm that we start to work with other subgroup, and we will continue with other, we start with one about transparency. And we will have some work to do also with a subgroup on staff accountability. And I want to take this opportunity, if there are any need to, from your group to have some exchange with ombudsman group, or any changes between subgroup, it's a good time to do it, if you have some topics.

And that's a point, for example, we have taken onboard some issue about the ATRT 2 result, and there are part who are both for our point of view for staff accountability and our group, and it is what we are doing now. Thank you.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Thank you Sebastien. Maybe as we are talking about coordination of groups, there was a question during the last plenary about some feedback that was expected from the Board about ATRT 2 and ombudsman, and there was a little bit of confusion. So, my



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understanding is that your group, Sebastien, has clarity about the relationship between what you can do and the ATRT 2 implementation, ongoing. Is that correct, Sebastien, is that closed?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yeah, I would say it's now clear, and it was one of the discussion we had yesterday within the subgroup, and we end up with a sufficient, just to be clear for everybody. There is a question, sorry, in the ATRT 2 and in our group, question around review of the ombudsman functions. It's why we will come with some requests for budget.

I will try to write it down today, and it will be clear for everybody. Yes, it's because it's more clear now what we have to do that we are going ahead and we'll come back to you as co-chair on this issue. Thank you.

MATHIEU WEILL: Okay, so Sebastien you have an action item to clarify this update on the relationship with the ATRT implementation by email.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yes.

MATHIEU WEILL: Excellent. So we can follow-up. The other aspect of this earlier confusion was you will remember that our group wrote to the ICANN Board about ATRT 3, probably a month ago, a little more than a month ago. If I'm not mistaken, we haven't received a reply yet to that letter.

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And I think that was something that was mentioned by some in the discussion.

So, we'll add an action item as well to liaise with the Board about, and inquiring about the pages of this reply, if any, on ATRT 3, so that we make sure we close the items we've opened previously. And for clarity, the ATRT 3 letter was about the timing of ATRT 3, when should it start, and potentially the relationship with that group.

Probably what we should do is include the notes, when we [inaudible] the notes the link to the previous, the correspondence on ATRT 3 that we sent to the Board so it's clear for everyone.

Good. That will be it for the issues raised by subgroups, unless Sebastien, is that an old hand or a new hand?

Old hand, okay. Excellent. So back to you León for the next agenda item.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much Mathieu. And our next agenda item is our Hyderabad face to face plans. As you know, we will hold, of course, a face to face meeting prior to the beginning of our annual meeting in Hyderabad, and we have a plan for that, of course.

And during the morning, we will open with the general administration and [inaudible] recommendations for our meeting. And after that, we were picking with the PST report, and then we'll have the update from the different subgroups, and send a check of scope and deliverables part one. Then a coffee part, and then part of this [inaudible] check and

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scope, of scope and [inaudible] from the subgroups. It is important to note that we will have the subgroups submit some, or indicate which topics, they would like to discuss in our face to face meeting.

This would be in advance, of course, of our face to face meeting, so that everyone is aware of which topics will be discussed in this meeting, and everyone is able to prepare well enough for our discussions. So we are establishing a deadline of October 21<sup>st</sup>, so that all of the subgroups can submit the topics for discussion at our face to face meeting.

And of course, if we are speedy enough to run the updates, and checks on parts one and two, then we'll be able to jump into the more substantive discussion of the [open sessions?] of the plenary group. If there are also some items identified during the [inaudible] checks in part one and two, those items or those issues, will of course be discussed in our afternoon session.

And of course, would be [inaudible] into that. So after we finish the [inaudible] checks part one and two, we have a lunch break. And then after that, we will be in our afternoon session, which will include, as I said, the discussion by the plenary of those issues, of those significant open issues that happen previously identified by the subgroups, or those that have been identified as a consequence or as a result of our morning updates and [inaudible] checks.

So that is out plan for our face to face meeting in Hyderabad. And if there are any comments or questions on this, I will be happy to open the floor for that. So I see Kavouss's hand is up. Kavouss, please...

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KAVOUS ARASTEH:

Yes, I think it's very good, you have no [inaudible] that we would like to, the question to ask the subgroups that, when reporting if you would be, I believe short, if there is a morning [inaudible] room, but just any questions required decision by CCWG. Any blocking point or anything that they were not able to resolve themselves, and the slowing down their activities and they need some guidance from the CCWG.

That would be a good opportunity. This is one, I'm not asking for the floor again. The co-chairs need to kindly, carefully make time management in order that not to run at the short of time at the end of the meeting when [inaudible] some important points. I try to make, control of the time management, this is something that I wanted to bring to the attention of the co-chairs. Thank you.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much, Kavouss, for this recommendation. We have well taken note of them, and we will be taking them into account as we develop our face to face meeting in Hyderabad. Thank you very much. Are there any other comments or questions on the plan for our face to face meeting?

Okay, so having no more questions, I would now turn it back to Mathieu.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Thank you very much León. You have here on the slide a quick reminder of the travel details in the meeting in Hyderabad. There will be remote participation available, obviously, even though you may [inaudible]

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difficulties that the meetings team has been facing with some of the hardware traveling to Hyderabad.

I think they're doing an amazing job of contingency here, and I'm [inaudible] that the meeting [inaudible] creating excellent conditions despite these events. Obviously, if you haven't announced your Visa application by now, you're late. So I do hope you will move on that, but I think there is not much more here on this agenda item.

So, moving to the closing of our meeting, it has been a short one, are there any other business people want to raise?

I'm seeing people typing no. So, no other business. I think I will close the meeting with a short remark that of course, we're in the scoping phase of the working groups and the [inaudible] are doing an outstanding work of trying to get things going. We really need everyone to double down on contributing in these groups, so that we make progress before Hyderabad, so that Hyderabad discussions are like León said, about removing issues of friction, or issues of scoping.

And I think the fact that we have had very interesting and authentic discussions in this call is a signal that we're still in the launch phase of this group, of the work stream two. And I really look forward to stepping up in this, so that, and we need everyone to contribute in between the calls, and maybe focus on a smaller number of groups so that you can have the meeting, the contribution here and here.

So I think that's a really important aspect as we enter this new phase now of the work stream two, that we are going to be asked to record

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about our progress in Hyderabad, and I think we're close with moving forward, but we need to increase the speed a little bit.

I see Avri's hand is up. Avri?

AVRI DORIA:

Thank you. Avri speaking. And I apologize for raising my hand after the time for raising hands had ended. You've said a couple of times here that we have to double down, very American expression by the way, but especially because we're hearing it a lot in the election, but and that we have to hurry up, and that we have to speed up.

Now, in coming to the transition, indeed, we had to keep speeding up. We were a year late, and you know, even though many people kept cautioning us that there are details that we're not looking into, that were not giving it enough time, we really had an imperative that we had to get it, you know, a year ago, but we had to get it by now.

And I don't want to be the one to say, slow down, but I'm believing that we're seeing... Part of the reason we're not seeing discussions on the list or here, is that people's resources are stretched. They've been stretched for two and a half years. We need to get this work done, we need to get it done as soon as is proper, as soon as we can, but I do want to raise a caution against keeping the hurry up and run on this part.

Because there is no... I know people have sometimes talked about, you know, another phase, but obviously, there is ongoing forever. But really, we want to make sure that we do dot all of the I's and cross all of

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the T's this time. We want to make sure that we don't come out of this one and say, oops, we never got to that one, but we really didn't have time.

So I just wanted to raise that caution, as we go into Hyderabad, as we see that we're already starting to have slippage, that people were asked to push for a schedule, and then when they looked at it realistically, that schedule wasn't meet-able. And so really, I just want to raise that particular flag of on this one, let's not run so fast that we have things that are still dangling after we're done. Thanks.

MATHIEU WEILL:

Thanks Avri. And I fully agree with you, and maybe my expressions were not appropriate here. What I meant was that we need to... The time we have available will be best used by contributing to the substance of the working group, and I think we all need to have that in time.

Of course, there is no hurry or no urgency in this space, but the longer that we can last forever, basically. And at some point, we might have to say, is this item better addressed within the framework of this CCWG, or with another framework such as the other continuous improvements that exist within ICANN.

And we'll have to find a right balance there, but my message really was, let's get to the substance of the group, and even if it means that instead of stretching ourselves across many working groups, we have to focus on one where we can make a meaningful contribution.

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I hope that clarifies it. I'm sure that's a discussion that we'll keep having across the next meetings, including in Hyderabad, because it's an important one to find the right balance. So thank you very much Avri for raising your hand, even if it was after the time for raising your hand, because that was an excellent point that you raised.

And with that, I think we have, we are ready to close this call. Thank you all, and we speak together, we find ourselves in the next plenary in two weeks. Bye everyone.

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