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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay, welcome everyone to our “meet the candidates call” today. We have on the call today—in fact, I will turn to Mario to do a quick role call and attendance.

MARIO ALEMAN: Thank you, Glenn. Good morning, good afternoon and good evening everyone. Welcome to NARALO Special Purpose Call on NARALO Elections 2017 “Get to know the candidates” on Wednesday, 17th May 2017, 21:00 UTC. On the call we have today Glenn McKnight, Judith Hellerstein, John Laprise, Alan Greenberg, Leah Symekher, Eduardo Diaz, Javier Rua-Jovet, Gordon Chillcott, John Diane, Louis Houle, Susannah Gray, Howard Deane, John More.

And last but not least, we have somebody else on the phone who just joined the call, welcome. On staff we have Heidi Ulrich, Silvia Vivanco, Gisella Gruber and Mario Aleman, myself, [inaudible] on this call today. We have no apologies and we have no interpreters today. And I would just like to remind all the participants to please state your name before speaking for our transcription. And with this, I’d like to turn it back over to you Glenn.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, thank you so much, Mario. Glenn McKnight for the transcript records. You were breaking up a little bit on the call, but I think we all heard you. We did the attendance and we have our roles. Please state your name when you have a question. You’ll have an opportunity to ask

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questions throughout the event itself. But let me start with the welcome you all to the call.

And the first item that I just want to recap is we have our rules and procedures and i just wanna ask Mario if you can just post those rules onto the center panel for us as well. So we have our annual elections and what we are in the process right now, we have two parts. We have to go through the Rough Consensus process and the two positions that are Rough Consensus today is Chair and for Secretariat. We have also two positions that we will be having on our call which is for the ALAC positions and the NomCom.

So we'll be going through that in the process of subsequent election. But I just got a statement here in the chat from Judith. The question is "Do we have Quorum on the call?" So what's our count on the call?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Thank you very much, Glenn. This is Silvia from staff. Mario, please, if you could give us the count on attendance on the call including people on the bridge, please. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Thank you, Silvia. Susannah and Eve, they're both from the same ALAC, so do not add them twice please. [AUDIO BREAK] So the question back to Silvia, do we have Quorum?

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SILVIA VIVANCO: Just give us a few minutes. They are counting, Mario is counting the number of people on the call. One moment, please. [AUDIO BREAK]

MARIO ALEMAN: This is Mario for the records. We have 18 participants who are part of the call and one guest joining right now, so that would be 19.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yes. This is Judith Hellerstein. We're not counting participants. We are wanting—we have Eve, Leah and Susannah are just one person.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yes, that's correct.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Not three people.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: So just please, please, if you have a question, put up your hand, please. Yes, as stated, we have to be careful of the fact that we have only one person in this room, representing per ALS. Okay, this is going to take some time. So I'm conscious of our time and what we want to accomplish today, so I'm going to leave this to the end of the call so we

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can get resolution, Silvia, to the end so that we have verification on Quorum. Okay, let us move on to the Rough Consensus. Silvia, would you mind going over an explanation of what that means and how this will work?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Sure, thank you very much. Okay, hello everyone, this is Silvia. The first stop, the NARALO Chair. We have two uncontested procedures. One for the NARALO chair, the candidate is Eduardo Diaz. And for the NARALO Secretariat it's Glenn McKnight. In order to confirm that these candidates will be indeed the persons selected, according to the rules, the NARALO rules, NARALO prefers to normally call for Rough Consensus. So I'm going to read article 12 of the NARALO Rules which define what Rough Consensus is.

So, after the close of nominations and acceptance period, if required, then NARALO shall convene its General Assembly to select its members for the ALAC selections of the ALAC. Selection of the ALAC should normally be made through a rough consensus process. Rough Consensus does not require that all participants agree although this is, of course, preferred. In general, the dominant view of the NARALO shall prevail. However, it must be noted that dominance is not to be determined on the basis of volume or persistence, but rather on a more general sense of agreement.

Consensus can be determined by electronic mail, online balloting, written balloting, or any other means deemed convenient and accurate

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by the Secretariat. Note that 51% of the NARALO does not qualify as Rough Consensus and 99% is better than rough. It is up to the Chair of the General Assembly to determine if Rough Consensus has been reached. The definition of Rough Consensus is substantially similar to that found in paragraph 3.3 of the RFC 2418.

So that's the rule of NARALO to define what is Rough Consensus. So at the request of the NARALO chair and Secretariat, I would like to call for rough consensus to confirm the election of these candidates who are the only candidates for those two positions. So please, all in favor of confirming the two uncontested candidates, please put a green checkmark now. Thank you. So let's see how many people. If Mario please [inaudible] to count. Well, he's counting. Sorry to interrupt, Mario, please can you give the numbers of the green checks?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

I'll just intersect. Javier, you can click on the green circle, that's up, if you're on Abobe—looks like you're on Adobe. So if you wanna add your green checkmark and I think Alan is tied up on another call. So are we completed now for the agrees?

MARIO ALEMAN:

This is Mario again. We have eight people so far, eight people.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Eight checkmarks? Okay. And then people on the bridge, please if you can say your name. You have someone on the bridge? Yes, go ahead.

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JAVIER RUA-JOVET: [Inaudible] Javier—I can.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay Javier, thank you. So was that number nine?

JAVIER RUA-JOVET: Yes, okay.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Can you even hear me?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes, please go ahead. Your name? [AUDIO BREAK] We have someone else on the bridge who would like to say your name.

EDUARDO DIAZ: This is Eduardo. Can you hear me?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes, Eduardo.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Do I participate in this Rough Consensus or not? I'm not sure.

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SILVIA VIVANCO: I think you do participate. I don't see any rules against it.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Then I agree.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Unless [inaudible] has a different opinion, but I don't see any rules against it.

EDUARDO DIAZ: This is Eduardo again. I'm having problems on the Adobe Connect. So I agree.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay, perfect. So far I have ten votes.

JOHN LAPRISE: This is John Laprise. I'm also on the bridge because I'm also having mic issues. But I voted on Adobe Connect.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Oh, okay. So you are counted already.

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JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: This is Judith. I think, as I said on the chat, Dustin is the assign rep. But John More is on the call and he said he agrees. He just didn't know where the checkmark was.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay, Judith. So Dustin is on the AC or on the bridge?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: I'm on the call. Dustin is not on the call today, but John More is. And John said he voted.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. So in that case, we have one more vote. So that would be eleven. So the number I have eleven who agree to confirm the candidates. So I would like to ask the NARALO Chair and Secretariat, if you would consider this a Rough Consensus, we can already say that the candidates have been confirmed. [AUDIO BREAK] Glenn, are you there?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yes, thank you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Do you agree?

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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yes, I agree. It's Glenn McKnight. I agree.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: This is Judith. I agree provided that we do have the Quorum of the ALSes to go to basis a Consensus that we can go forward.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Sorry, Judith. I don't quite understand. If you could please repeat what you would like to see implemented.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: This is Judith Hellerstein for the record. I agree with it. I'm just asking. I think we need to know if we have Quorum before we pass on Rough Consensus?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. So then we'll take note of, we have eleven people who have agreed to decide for Rough Consensus at this moment. So we have to wait until more people [inaudible]. We can certainly do this again at the end of the call, a few minutes before the end of the call. Is that something that the Secretariat and the NARALO Chair decide to do before we declare for Consensus. Okay? So please let me know if that's the way you would like to do it. [AUDIO BREAK]

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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. So Silvia, I think just as a rule of thumb, I think we should all clear the green checkmarks, and if anyone has disagreed, give them an opportunity to click on disagree as well, just for the sake of the record.
[AUDIO BREAK]

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay. So everybody, please, can you clear the green marks? [AUDIO BREAK] Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: And Alan has joined us now, so we haven't seen his vote on that decision, so I'm not sure if he heard it because he was tied up. For the sake of Alan, we just had a quick vote for rough consensus for those who have joined the call and on [inaudible] the connect. So we're asking for people to put their check mark or x, so if you want to go ahead and do that, we can add you to the rough consensus.

ALAN GREENBERG: As another affiliated member and not the representative, I don't have a vote, but I will note however that our current rules do not require a vote for an uncontested election and our rules that were in the midst of drafting will explicitly say it's not necessary, so I think we're on safe grounds.



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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. So thank you Alan for clarifying that, so I'm confident with what Alan is saying that we can move forward on this. So thank you so much everyone for your vote of confidence and I haven't seen anyone voting on x. You still have a chance, but I think that is it. So Silvia, if that's with you, back to you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes, thank you very much. Okay, we have verification from the member Alan Greenberg. We have a total of 19 attendees and 11 have confirmed that they agree to declare the two candidates as elected candidates by rough consensus according to the NARALO rules. So with this, they are now considered the selected candidates. And NARALO's chair is Eduardo Diaz and the NARALO Secretariat is Glenn McKnight. Those terms will start at the end of the 2017 annual general meeting, AGM. Thank you and congratulations.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. So let's move on to the statements for the incoming chair and secretariat, so I'll turn to the incoming chair, Eduardo Diaz, to say a short statement.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Glenn. I just want to—hello, can you hear me? Yeah, I know. There's an echo on my own line. Hello? Hello?



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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Go ahead.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Oh, okay. Thank you. I just want to say that, you know, I have been in NARALO since 2007, my help founded the Reagan organization, everyone was there and in fact, it was in Puerto Rico when we founded the organization. Since then, I have been—I had a tour in the NomCom for a couple of times. I'm having the second time this year and I'm ending that position now. I passed through our working groups in the ccNSO, in the GNSO, in ALAC and I participated in two or three policy statements which I don't remember which then, we're [inaudible] now.

So I think I have enough experience to participate and direct in the NARALO this year and, you know, about the things I'm trying to list is to keep the outreach efforts that Glenn started last year and this is going to be part of the team. Pretty sure he will helping to that effect and also, I really would like to start focusing more on policy and have a balance between policy and all the work that we do. So I'm thinking of ways on how we can do that successfully in the region so we can know what's happening at the ALAC level in ICANN and we can [inaudible] input into those policy work. So that's my statement, thank you so much.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you and it's Glenn McKnight for the record so hi, I'll be very brief because I'm conscious of time, we're very good on time. But I would

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just say this, I will be watching Eduardo's tweets very closely after October, so that's my statement.

So moving forward. So I look forward to working with of all of you like I have as chair and I look forward to working with Eduardo as well. Okay, moving forward on to the open positions, so let's first of all, I have the center panel looking at the first position. The ALAC position, we have the statements by the nominee and we also have a SOI for John Laprise. We also have Seth Reiss's statements and his SOI and together with that following—following with that we have on the center screen, Judith and backing up we should have Leah. Okay, perfect.

Okay, so I want to turn to the questions on the positions. So let us go back to the question so you can see the questions right on the center panel. So just going to ask Mario to put the questions up in the center panel. So these are the procedures that we've talked about. Just waiting for Mario to put the questions in to the panel. [AUDIO BREAK] Reading principles that we talked about earlier but can we have the questions so we can start to meet the candidates? [AUDIO BREAK]

Okay, I don't see it, so I have to go back to my other screen, so we're going to get started off with opening statements by the two ALAC members, then the two NomCom members. We're going to give you each two minutes. Mario, you'll be checking the time, so I'd like to open it up to the opening statements from John Laprise, and your time starts now.



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JOHN LAPRISE: Thank you. I apologize for the sound issues I've been having. I've been a member of ALAC for a number of years now. I've been involved in ICANN around the world because I was a faculty member in Qatar for five years and I've been in a lot of different constituencies within ICANN, but I found a home in At-Large. And since I've gotten back to the States, I've been devoting all my time and effort into strengthening At-Large because as much as I have friends in other constituencies, I think for the end users and that's what I'm really concerned about these days because I'm founding it in on profits focused on them. At-Large is where it's at.

So I'm really passionate about this, this is really important to me and representing us on the ALAC is part of service to that end. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great. Thank you so much, John. The next in line is Seth. You also have two minutes to do your opening statements. Your time starts now.

SETH REISS: Can everybody hear me?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yes, we can. Go ahead.

SETH REISS: Okay, great. Thanks, thanks Glenn and thank you, John. Let me start by saying that I think NARALO has been served by excellent leaders. I was

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at NARALO in 2007 in Puerto Rico with Eduardo. I have participated since but I've never had a leadership vision other than being on certain committees. I've always been interested in having a leadership position and I guess I'm interested in seeing if that can happen now. I think the organization could be very well served by John, it's been well served by others, but it's my hope that I can bring something new and different to NARALO. I tend to observe and to be concerned with quality and not quantity.

So I have a very neutral and facilitator point of view, I would like to see a lot of new participation. I think I agree with some of the [inaudible]. Although we have great leaders, there hasn't been the kind of people that would bring in a lot of fresh views, and I'm hoping I can facilitate that. So I thank you for considering me and I hope that maybe you'll give me the opportunity to serve you. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Great. Thank you. One second, Leah. It's Glenn. Just for feedback to Seth, your voice was trailing off a bit so this is a benefit for everyone. Please speak up clearly, I was starting to lose you a little bit there, but I did hear you, I'm just concerned that people do not hear you clearly. Okay, so let's move on. Leah, you're next and you also have two minutes.

LEAH SYMEKHER:

Thank you. I'd like to start by first thanking Glenn and NARALO for holding this special meeting and then I'd like to specially thank Evan for

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nominating me for this position. I had actually not thought at all of putting in my name to this and shied away from it when Evan mentioned it, but I promised him that I would look into it to see you know what really are the requirements and what I can bring to this position. So what I did in the last few days was really, I talked to some of my peers who have handled—who've been in this NomCom delegate position before. They gave me a pretty good understanding of what the responsibilities are and I also did my own reading on the bylaws and really what the ICANN [inaudible] committee is all about.

One of the things I took away is that you're not just nominating, you're actually selecting members for the ICANN board, the ALAC and the ccNSO Council and GNSO. So it really made me understand the magnitude of the big responsibility and seriousness and value of what this information brings to ICANN and its stakeholders. So I'm not taking this lightly at all.

One of the things I also got to understand from some of my peers is that you as a NomCom delegate as you reach out to find applicants who'd be interested in ICANN and educate them on ICANN as well as then participate in the selection process that helps in selecting the most suitable candidates for the board as well as the other organizations within ICANN that—

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Leah, you used up your time, I apologize, but Mario, can you please give us a 10 second warning for the end of the time? Okay, I'm going to be

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very strict on this time, so I'm going to turn to Judith. Please, you have two minutes and again, speak up and I'll have Mario to make sure you get your 10 second wrap up time.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Yes, thanks so much. I hope everyone can hear me. I'm grateful to Eduardo for nominating me as the NARALO candidate for this position. So I was really interested after speaking to Eduardo and others in the NomCom, I was really interested in taking on this new role and challenge because I think I can really expand the gender diversity of the NomCom and where we really want to be, we want to have the NomCom be a truly representative of ICANN. And currently right now, it doesn't look like that. So I'm hoping that because of who -- I wanted to do a lot more outreach on the gender and diversity issues as well as try to also recruit people who are also cognizant of the challenges that people with limited bandwidth and people who don't speak English and also who have accessibility challenges in engaging. And so I champion these rights in NARALO and ALAC in general.

I also feel that it's very important to have a knowledge of how good the selections are. I was on the selection committee for the IANA transition and we selected both Jean-Jacques Subrenat and then also Mohamed El Bashir who later on got recommended for vice chair. So I think my knowledge of ICANN, my knowledge of all the different constituencies and all the work I've done in the past with NARALO will make me a very [inaudible] candidate.

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GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Sorry, Judith, thank you. I'm just going to, again, Mario I'm having a hard time because I'm going back and forth. Because I don't have the questions in front of me, you need to interject, help me on this. This is two in a row that we had, unfortunately I apologize to both Leah and Judith to sort of abruptly cut you off, we need to give you a little bit more warning as we get to it. Sorry. We'll try and do the best we can.

Okay, I'm going to move on to the purpose questions, [AUDIO BREAKS OFF] ALAC positions and I want to read them, and I'll read them again, again two minutes. And Seth, you're going to be first. Here's the question. Please provide your reasons why you think that you bring value added to the ALAC position? Okay, Seth go ahead, you have two minutes.

SETH REISS:

Thanks. Thanks, Glenn. So, in the past I've emphasized my substantive knowledge. I am a lawyer, international law. And I do a lot of like trademarks and that's how I first got involved with the internet, but I think what's more important is basically, my facilitative skills. I believe that, that's what's needed for leaders, rather than be contributing our content or our point of views. What I think the ALAC representatives need to do is to listen, to be very open to everybody's views, to try to evaluate those views and put forth policies that are going to reflect the use of the end users.

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I thought Tom's question, and he was somewhat critical of the composition of ICANN be company heavy and I agree that our role is very important, that we have to counter balance the commercial interest by representing other interests. But I also think ICANN is [inaudible] special organization that functions very well on an international level and meet payroll and help meet [inaudible] function better.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, you have ten seconds left.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Ten seconds.

SETH REISS: It's fine, thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay, thank you. Great. We're going to get through this as painless as possible. Okay, back to John and I'll just repeat the question again. John, please provide your reasons why you think you bring value added to the ALAC position. John, you have two minutes.

JOHN MORE: Thank you, Glenn. I think one of the things that I really bring to the discussion is my international experience. Part of the success of this

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position is going to be understanding the position of the people I'm working with. I've been an AD Tech for six years, I've taught in schools that have governance on three different continents. And I have a deep understanding of the issues that not only are present here in North America, but in other places too. And so when we're trying to get consensus on policy and on decision making, understanding my colleagues who live elsewhere in the world, to bring a unified position forward, is really important. So I think that's one of the key things I bring to the discussion

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Great, thank you so much, John. Okay, that's the first question I've asked the two representatives. I'm going to go on to the second one. And John, you're going to be first. The question is: ICANN is manning from the rails more active policy comments. Please explain how you will increase the number of policy comments. What re your strategies? Thank you. Over to you, John.

JOHN MORE:

Well, I think, you know, as I outlined at the general assembly, the important thing is making it easier for At-Large members that should participate in the process. Which means a website that is easy to access, to locate issues, find out where to get involved, find out where to plug in. Because as it is, it's very hard to figure things out, especially if you're new to the process. There are times when I have trouble and I have a PhD. It shouldn't be that hard, and we need to work with ICANN

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to make it easier so that At-Large members can easily and seriously get involved with these policy processes. Thanks.

GLENN MNKNIGHT: Great, thank you. Okay, so, now we have time to open to the questions, and I did notice further up there was a question from Tom. And I didn't get clarification from Tom on whether that question was for ALAC or for NomCom. But perhaps he can type it in the chat box. But I'm going to turn to Susannah Gray to ask her question to the ALAC representatives. Go ahead, Susannah.

JOHN MORE: Glenn, wait. Glenn, shouldn't Seth be responding?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Sorry, what's that?

JOHN MORE: Shouldn't Seth be responding to the questions?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Seth was not—he didn't reply to the question, Glenn.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. That's—yeah, go ahead.

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SETH REISS: Thanks Glenn. Yeah, I think there's two parts to this one. the NARALO ALAC representative, that's going to be John or me, needs to make a big effort to reach out to the ALSes, it needs to proactive so we can get comments rather than just coming up with our views. We need to work on the ALSes and the users.

And I think the second part is [inaudible] along what John said, we have to make the process easier. In particular, I think the -- there's so, so many policy issues, and they're so complex and there's so much reading, we have to be able to condense that for our [inaudible] and use, unless there's going to be a website, or the list, or a new platform. A way to be able to get them the information that they need in a condensed form so that they can get the ALAC rep, their views can get to the ALAC and from there to the board. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, thank you folks. I have to explain, I have a different screen that I have my questions that I'm following. So I'm going back and forth, so I lost my position, and thanks John for pointing that out. But I think we're back on target. Susannah, you had the first public question, go ahead.

SUSANNAH GRAY: Hello, yeah, this is Susannah Gray [inaudible]. I have a question, Seth you kind of answered it already. So, I'm just going to ask my question

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anyway, and I guess you can decide whether you want to respond or not. So, the ALAC [inaudible], including conveying details about ICANN supposed policies and decisions and how they'll affect our regions, general outreach activities and increasing and enabling discussions so that individuals can share their views on ICANN issues. Since all of these aspects could use some improvement, what kind of solutions do you propose to improve communication outreach and discussions mechanisms?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. John, if you want to start first and then Seth.

JOHN MORE: Well, I know for my part, I've been having discussions with people at ICANN. We're way behind the curve when it comes to our technology. I mean, the work here on the website, we should have had a mobile app years ago, 'cause people are accessing things on their mobile devices. If we want to reach out to members and ALSes, the key is to make the information easy to access, and we're not doing enough of that. So, I guess, if I have a complaint on my platform, it's making it easier for our membership to actually do the work that they want to be doing in advancing end user rights.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay, thank you, John. Turning to Seth, if you want to respond to that question.

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deep understanding of the issues within ICANN, and some of the ones that they're discussing. So, I think I add that to the value.

Also, my experience on the selection committee does as well. I want to also point out an increasing awareness within NomCom on accessibility issues. And maybe increase the pool of candidates that are selected or actually bring in applications. I think the problem is that we don't get enough applications in from the diverse community, and I want to work to increase that and look at some new pools and sort of figure out why some groups are not being active or submit nominations. And so I think that is also what I'm hoping to bring to that

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay, you're finished? Okay, you have 20 seconds left.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: I thought I ran out of time. Okay, well I'm always open to any other questions and hopefully I look forward to hearing from your questions about what your interests are.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, thank you, Judith. Okay, I want to turn the same question, I'll read it again, to Leah. Please provide your reasons why you think you bring value added to the NomCom selection committee. Go ahead, you have two minutes.

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LEAH SYMEKHER:

Yeah, thank you, Glenn. I just want to finish up what I was saying. I have second time to kind of educate myself on the responsibilities of this position. And I believe that my international experience, having lived in Kenya, I worked in Japan, gone to college in the USA, and worked with a global organization and supporting customers. My last six years due to the job I was doing, I was working at Internet Systems Consortium. My customers consisted of IRRI's, ISC's, DMS Operators, and ccTLD's. We provided bind and JCP support solutions as well as rolling out F root name servers throughout the world.

So, I am very familiarized with the internet space and working with global customers. I do bring that unique perspective, professionally, when it comes to selection of candidates and also reaching out to the pool of candidates. And also, being a Chair of the San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter has given me an understanding of the bottom up of value, and ICANN stands for this. I think we have candidates who understand that multistakeholder level and model and be able to appreciate it.

I believe I can reach out to candidates in different pools, given that I've been in this space for several years. I believe my ability and experience bring a very unique perspective as well. And also, I believe that I have, given that I've been able to work in various organizations at the very international level, I can have consensus, collaboration to work with anybody in the team, to be able to pick suitable candidates who will benefit ICANN and the stakeholders.

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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Sorry, Leah, your time has exceeded as well. Thank you so much. Okay, so we're going to open up the floor to just NomCom delegate questions. So, I know that Tom asked a question earlier, I will still circle the wagons, but I want to open up the floor to the community on any particular question that's tailored only for Judith and Leah. And I'll ask Leah to respond first. So, is there anything from the floor or questions? And John, you and Seth are more than welcome to ask questions as well, you're not excluded. So, just put up your hand please. Anyone on Adigo? Okay, we have Javier. Okay, go ahead please.

JAVIER RUA-JOVET: Yes, Javier Rua for the record. To both NomCom candidates, what is your definition of diversity as it pertains to ICANN? That's my question.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. Leah, you go first.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Okay. Yes, diversity is not just limited to gender. Diversity is definitely geographical. It also means experience for different levels of experience. But people who have passion, and skill and ability to get the job done, so it's not just limited to gender. All those other things I've mentioned play a part. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you so much. Judith, would you like to respond?

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JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Yes. This is Judith Hellerstein. Yes, I agree. Diversity is not just gender, but it is geographic, but it's also people who are different from me. So, whether it will be people who live in a developing country, people who have accessibility challenges, other different challenges. We want a representative of people who deal with the internet. And so, it's a broad category representing many different areas; was geographic, gender, other different categories, accessibility. All the categories that are listed in the diversity working group. So I think that's a good definition of diversity.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Great, thank you so much. Okay, I'm going to turn to Tom and I'm not sure, I'm asking Tom if he has voice, if he can articulate the question. Tom, are you there? Okay, folks, we need to roll back up and find Tom's question. So bear with me here. Sylvia, if you have it, did you want to read it? Sylvia? Okay, I think I found it. Okay, he didn't indicate which classification, so let's open this up to right across the board. Try to keep it short, due to the time. But here we go, today's New York Times, has a story "Vulnerable Voices Lash Out at Company's Sway Climate Talks". It talks about 300 industry groups are free to roam in negotiations in bond Germany's climate change, negotiations of stakeholders.

The story details objections being raised about undue influence to undue corporate influences by various nations. The climate at ICANN is very different, not only do the companies participate as stakeholders,

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they have voting majorities. It wasn't supposed to be that way at the start of ICANN, the users had the majority in early iterations. How can we move towards user majorities on the ICANN Board? How can we ensure that NomCom nominees are committed to control by individual internet users of ICANN governance processes?

After reading the question, I'm going to limit this just to Judith and Leah. So, Judith, you were second last, so Judith, would you mind responding to that question?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Sure. This is Judith for the record. Happy to respond. I agree that we should have more users, but that is an issue of the bylaws and it cannot be something that we can address. But what we can address is that according to ICANN, the people, although they are representing their organization, they are treated as individuals. But as you know from my efforts in the past, I'm very passionate on inclusiveness. I'm very passionate on accepting other challenges.

So, I will make sure that I will look at all different places, and look at all different factors in judging a candidate. So, it may be a diverse factor, but also will they be able to get consensus, will they be able to bring people to an idea, bring them forward. And I think that's also very important. I was able, in the choices that we made for the IANA transition, we had that great package of technical knowledge and diplomacy, and I think that's really important to find people with those abilities.

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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great. Thank you, Judith, you did it on time. Okay. So Leah, would you like to respond to the question?

LEAH SYMEKHER: Yeah, you might say that. I do not have extensive in house experience with ICANN and the [inaudible] in good sense Judith has. So for me, I would say that my experience working as a volunteer with the San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter, really trying to advocate for users and seeing that bottom up type kind of approach, and really trying to advocate for it in all the elections that we've had. And we've had candidates that we have had to choose. It is something that I think is very important to the nominating committee to keep that in mind as we select the candidates for the Board, and for all the other pertaining organizations within ICANN.

I'm very passionate about this, that's why I volunteered for the last almost six years at the chapter and NARLO and continue to do so. This is something that I will not let it go by and improve the selection of candidates, the most candidates who not only have a corporate mindset, it's not only limited to that, but are able to also have shown that they have dedicated time to other communities and support the bottom up [inaudible] of course. Thank you.

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GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, thank you. Thank you all for taking the questions. We're going to turn to the next section, and I'm sorry Louie, but feel free to type your question in. We only have time, we have 10 minutes left in closing. But we have an opportunity now, that you've heard the other people speak. You've heard all the candidates speaking. This is a chance to do your one minute elevator pitch, why it's really important to consider you, why you're the candidate of choice. Please, you got one minute. Say your peace. I'm going to start through, it's Judith, Leah, John and Seth. So, go ahead Judith.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yes, thank you, Glenn. I think my passion for making ICANN as inclusive and accessible as possible has led me to run for the slot on NomCom. Because as I said, and people know from the past, only by connecting the [inaudible] and making it more accessible, an inclusive place, can we make sure that the internet is there for all. And we want to make sure that ICANN and NomCom is represented. As people have said, more user experience, more looking at what is looking at multi factor, we have people from each one. Do we have that diversity in gender, can we make sure that ICANN really represents us? And so, I think we need to figure out [inaudible].

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Sorry, Judith. You have ten seconds left.



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JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: How do we outreach, and how do we get more women, how do we get more diversity onto the Board. And I think I will be a candidate with my different connections, and the constituency to do that

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you, Judith. We're getting a bit of noise on the -- I'm not sure where that was coming from Mario. But let's try to isolate it before we go on to the next person. Okay, again, please keep your elevator pitch to one minute. Okay, Leah.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Sure. It's Leah Symekher for the record. Yes, I definitely believe my international experience and my professional experience having worked in the internet space, and the DNS work for the last six years and other technology companies before that. My volunteer experience, having worked with the San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter, as the Chair and leader for that. and the results speak for themselves. All those should make me a candidate that people can feel easy to work with, who can collaborate with everybody in the team and within ICANN and the stakeholders in selecting the right candidates, as well as be able to get the consensus with those choices. I think I am very passionate about it. When I attended ICANN, I was very amazed by the global nature of the participants, I bring that, and I'm passionate about it.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yeah, five seconds left.

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LEAH SYMEKHER: Thank you, I think I'm done.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay, thank you. I think in the future we'll have to do a timer so that you guys can actually see the time. I don't see the time, and Mario and I apologize for just a bunch of amateurs. We apologize for some of the sloppiness today. But I think we're managing and you guys are stars. You know, it's basically me and Mario that are rank amateurs on this. Thank you so much Leah and Judith, and I'm going to turn to John.

JOHN MORE: Thank you. I think the most important thing for being the NARALO/ALAC rep is to listen to all of us. I mean, I'm there trying to execute what I'm hearing from you folks. And to that end, I can promise that my door, my virtual door will always be open. I will always be listening to the rest of NARALO to figure out what they want me to bring forward to the ALAC. Because if there's one thing I've learned over many years, it's listening and then communicating that to the rest of the ALAC. So, I'm a listener, and I will listen to you. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you so much. And I think that was under the timeline, so, that's great. Seth you have one minute.

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SETH REISS: Yeah, thanks. So, I haven't been an [inaudible], what we need is technical experience and diplomacy. I think I can bring both of that to the forefront. If you ask why am I the best candidate, frankly, I don't know. Because I don't know John that well. John sounds like a great candidate too. Interestingly, one of my platforms is new blood, that we need to get the newer ALSes and acquire new ALSes, participating. And it sounds like John's going to want to do that too. In a way, we have similar platforms. I would say that I am concerned that new ALSes have a hard time participating, so it's some of the old timers. You know, it's still a lot of conflict. So, I think we need to get them, and not all of us [inaudible]. So again, I will dedicate myself to this job if you select me.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you Seth, I think time has run out. Thank you again, all of you. And we've scratched a bit of time, clawed it back, and I know Louie had one question, but it's only particularly for the ALAC members, if we have a couple of minutes, I'm not sure if we have enough time. Perhaps, I think what I will do is, Louie if you don't mind, put that to the Skype and the discussion thread in our list there, because I think we are limited, and it's really not fair to ask only two of the four. So, in terms of closing comments, I thank you all for joining us today, and it was a great, great discussion. We had great turn out, given the time, it's beautiful weather. And I want to turn to Silvia, is there anything we've left out?



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SILVIA VIVANCO: Hello, Glenn. This is Silvia. No, just to thank all the candidates for their contribution, for their time, just to review the next steps. So, we have now done the call, and according to the calendar, we have for any positions, where consensus was not reached during the NARALO call, then there will be an [inaudible] call to call the members on these candidates, so that will be from May 22 until May 26. So I'd say be on the lookout for the email with the vote, with the ballot to cast your vote. Thank you very much.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, again, thank you Silvia, for helping us through this process and Mario too, being a difficult job and managing the center panel and the timekeeping today. A special thank you to all the four candidates, your questions. The questions were great from the floor, as well as your answers. You have a bit of a tough decision now, mull through it, but this is a chance for you to pick the right candidate. And it's tough, when you got great candidates that we have. Again, thank you all for joining us today, and we'll see you at the next NARALO call. Thanks again. So, this concludes the meeting today. Thank you.

JOHN MORE: Thank you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you, thank you very much.

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SETH REISS: Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: The meeting has been adjourned. Thank you very much for joining. Please remember to disconnect all the remaining lines and have a wonderful rest of your day.

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