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ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, so, hey, everyone. This is Eric, and welcome to SSR2 Review Team. I'd like to start off by welcoming Norm to the team. It's his first call, so everyone, please, when you get a chance, please extend your welcome to Norm. And if someone on the Staff would help me with the apologies – I can see the list on the side; is the list complete?

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: Hi Eric, this is Yvette.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Hey, Yvette.

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: As far as I know, that is the complete list that I have on me at the moment. So, that would be James Gannon, Boban, Mohamad, Steve Conte, Cathy Handley – oh, they just added Geoff. Geoff Huston.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay.

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: So, as far as I know, that is a complete list.

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ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, cool. Right on. Thank you very much for that. Does anybody have any updated Statements of Interest?

Okay, cool. So, then, moving on. Today, our agenda – we’re going to have – Zarko has agreed to give us an update and to have a discussion – any sort of related discussion – about the current status of the ICANN SSR Review Team subteam’s status, and their upcoming work that’s going to involve travel. After that, hopefully, we’re going to have the nondisclosure discussion, but I see James is – I hope he didn’t – I think we’re hoping that James might be able to make it towards the end; but if not, maybe Kerry-Ann can help us get going with the NDA – the status of that – as it’s going to become pressing soon. We’re then going to talk a little bit about the status of consultants – gap analysis and writing – before we conclude by talking about prep for Abu Dhabi and outreach and what-not. So, before we jump into that, does anybody have any agenda-bashing or anything else that they’d like to preface that with?

DENISE MICHEL: Hey, Eric, this is Denise.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes. Hey, Denise.

DENISE MICHEL: Hi. I just wanted to note my apologies in advance due to business conflicts I’m going to have to drop off at the half hour. Thanks.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay.

DENISE MICHEL: Just to let you know.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, so a partial apology. Partial apology accepted. Okay, cool.

So, rolling forward – next slide, ICANN SSR. So, Zarko – is Zarko on the call? Yes. So, Zarko, would you mind taking over, and if someone could advance the slides to the proper slides, that would be great.

ZARKO KESIC: Yeah. Can you hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes.

ZARKO KESIC: Okay. Because I have an issue with Adobe Connect, so I cannot see the screen, but I can hear you guys. And I'll try to do that partially looking at my screen and at what you're going to see over there. What we did in the past month is that Boban and I met in Belgrade, mid-August, and we used to work on an Excel sheet, actually, which is a document which covers the main questions that we'll have to attack in the next subgroup work. And what we did in Belgrade is, we covered the most important

parts for the meeting in Los Angeles – actually, what we have to do with people within ICANN, as Organization. There are some issues that we have to think about, which is item 5 – perform a comprehensive assessment of internal security, stability, and resiliency of ICANN’s operation processes and services, which covers Global Domain Division Operations, Centralized Zone Data Services, etcetera, etcetera, etcetera. So, we can do that during the ICANN meeting, or some other time, because they are not directly connected to ICANN as Organization, but those are very important parts of ICANN’s operations and their effort to help in making the Internet more stable and reliable. And if you look at the same document that I am looking at – the Excel sheet that we produced in this Google Drive, you can find it there – the main things we are going to perform in Los Angeles is to ask about general Information Security Management System within ICANN, as Organization. Then, Business Continuity Management System, Risk Management Methodology and Processes, and also Incident Management within ICANN. Also, we would like to perform an assessment of how effectively ICANN has implemented its processes around vetting registry operators and services concerning the New gTLD Delegations. I think that’s also important because we had a number of lectures during the face-to-face meetings in regard of the [inaudible] and how it is connected to registry and registrar of new gTLDs. So, those are the issues that we are going to focus on in the next month. What I would like to know, because I wasn’t that available in the past, and we had two meetings cancelled – do we have this document shared with ICANN Staff?

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: Hi, Zarko, this is Yvette. I do have the Draft Audit Plan; it is on the screen. So, is that what you're looking for?

ZARKO KESIC: No, I cannot see that. I [CROSSTALK] –

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: I know; I know, you're not in the room. I know.

ZARKO KESIC: – with my Adobe Connect. Yeah.

YVETTE GUIGNEAUX: That's okay. I'm just letting you know it's on screen, so that everyone else can see it.

ZARKO KESIC: Okay, but what I'd like to know is if we shared this document with ICANN Staff, or we may have the right people prepared for talk with us? And also, I'm a little bit concerned because October 9 and 10 are just two days, and a day before [inaudible]. And – okay, I know that there is no operational issues, but they have to monitor that. So, are we going to have the right people available at that time, or not?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: So, this is Eric. I see that Karen has her hand raised, so Karen, go ahead.

KAREN MULBERRY: Yes, this is Karen Mulberry. I wanted to respond to Zarko's question. Yes, it has been shared with Staff, and actually, I'm using this document to help build the agenda and line up the people for the two-day meeting in L.A., so we make sure that we get the right people in to cover the main topics, as well as to address the components that the group has identified they're seeking information on.

ZARKO KESIC: Okay. Thank you, Karen. And also, there is another thing – and I saw this is on the agenda tonight, and Denise kindly answered my question over email. We'll have to cover two things; that's NDA and also procedures for accessing confidential documents and data. I don't think there is a need for us to do that at this moment, but maybe later on, we'll ask for some documents and to share some confidential data with ICANN Staff, so I am wondering where we are and when we are going to finish this.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yeah, this is Eric, and I see Kerry-Ann has her hand up. Go ahead, Kerry-Ann.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Hi, everybody. Just an additional point to the comment Zarko made at the end. We did ask directly to ICANN Legal concerning how we would manage confidential documents during the visit to L.A. One of the things they said indicated that they can't guarantee that they'd be able

to [inaudible] the documents during the meeting, but they're really trying to ensure that someone from Legal is with us during the meetings, and trying to help and guide us through the process of the documents that may be considered confidential. But when we get to the nondisclosure and the [inaudible], I'll explain until James joins us – or if he doesn't, as much as possible, some of the things that we discussed during the negotiations for the language and some of the things that we would still have to continue working with ICANN, because this whole process is new.

ZARKO KESIC:

Okay. Thank you, Kerry-Ann. And another thing that I would like to add is to encourage and to invite the whole group to jump in and give a comment or add something if you think it is appropriate, to plan either for L.A. meeting or for the further work of this group. Anybody have a question?

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Denise, go ahead.

DENISE MICHEL:

Thank you, Eric. Thanks for all your work and Boban's work on this. I think it's coming together really well, and it's going to be a very useful meeting in L.A. I apologize if I've missed emails on this; I'm just wondering if we have an updated agenda with the names of Staff who will be there addressing specific issues, and whether we can put that on the ICANN SSR wiki page and keep it updated there, so everyone has

access to it. So, I think it's a question and a request. Thank you. I think that's perhaps for Staff, as well, to weigh in on. Thank you.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Does anyone from Staff have any thoughts on that? Karen, go ahead.

KAREN MULBERRY: Yes. This is Karen. The agenda is being prepared right now. We're trying to align various schedules and topics and availability around the two days, so I don't really have anything to post at the moment. It'll probably take us another week to make sure we've got everything lined up. We have the Labor Day holiday, and a lot of people were out last week, so they're just now getting back, and we're getting alignment put in place, so we have something to share. I'm happy to post it as soon as I have something that's available to share.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Thank you, Karen. Kerry-Ann, go ahead.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Karen, just a quick one. Do you think the – Columbus Day doesn't affect you guys in L.A., right? I know it [inaudible]. I'm just checking.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Karen, I note your hand is back up; I don't know if that was from before, but if you're waiting for me, please don't.

KAREN MULBERRY: Okay. It's from before, and actually no, we don't have Columbus Day holidays in L.A.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, yeah – so maybe just sort of channeling – I see Denise is typing, so I was about to channel her, but she'll speak for herself.

Maybe not. So, one of the things that might be useful, just if it's possible, if some of the names wind up coming together before others, just early – sharing them early might be useful, just to sort of get people's heads around who will and won't be there, just in the event that somebody's labeled as being able to speak to an issue, and somebody else feels like they could request something. I don't know if that's possible or feasible to do sort of an incremental update, but that might be useful, if possible.

KAREN MULBERRY: I can do that. I know I did share previously the departments that were going to be on – that are engaged in planning for this. I do have some people that have been identified. I'm still pending confirmation from a few others, so I can provide something, and then we'll just keep adding to it as things get confirmed.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, great. Yeah, thanks. Not trying to be sort of heavy-touch on this one; just – yeah. I appreciate it.

Okay, so, Zarko did – that was really good work. And for those that haven't looked at the document – I see there's a chat conversation going about making sure that it's well-known to the group – I definitely encourage people to take a look at it. It constitutes some really good work. I echo Denise's praise to Zarko and Boban for really thinking through this. I think this is really solid work, so I think we're all really looking forward to seeing you guys keep going. And I want to pause for a second in case anybody has any comments or questions for Zarko, or Zarko – including if you're not finished?

ZARKO KESIC:

I am mostly finished; only thing that I would like to add is that we are going to locate the documents which are available to us right now, which is, in the first place, security framework by ICANN, and other documents that we found and [inaudible] found on the ICANN page, and I hope we'll go to Los Angeles well-prepared for our meetings.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Sounds great. So, before we move on to the next item, does anybody have any comments or questions?

Okay. So, the next item looks like Kerry-Ann. I think James – we may have run ahead of his schedule, unfortunately. But it sounds like maybe we can get started on the NDA – it's a reasonably weighty topic that's important, so more time is probably better than less, anyway. Kerry-Ann, are you [inaudible] up and ready to go?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Yes, I'm right here. [inaudible] everyone can hear me.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: So, just a brief overview of what the process was like. James and I took the comments and sentiments from the last few Plenaries and group discussions we've had by email and over the phone, and we tried to translate those into the draft documents you see now. One of the things that we tried to focus on is ensuring that the statements that were quite overbearing or obligatory for persons who may be subject to their companies' rules and regulations, etcetera, that we tried to neutralize language as best as we could. So, for example, I don't know if we could put the – I don't know if Staff could put up the Non-Disclosure draft on the screen, so everyone could see?

Yes. So, if you look at – we tried to go through some of it in detail with them, so I'll just try and walk you through as quickly as possible, and then give you any feedback of things that we did flag, that we were not able to get complete results, but we had a compromise. For example, A – being selected as a volunteer member. We tried to neutralize the language in C, just in terms of what it is that's the purpose of the SSR2. We acknowledged D, which ICANN is saying that they have to be able to restrict documents based on whether or not it's being classified, but they did emphasize during our discussions that ICANN's first preference is to have documents as a public document, as best as possible, for

information. Transparency is something that goes throughout everything they do, so their idea is to have a [inaudible]

ERIC OSTERWEIL: We seem to have lost your audio.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: [inaudible] possible for most of the documents.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: We just got you back.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Can you hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: We just got you back.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Can everyone hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Yes; I'm back;. Okay, you can hear me?

Okay. Alright, so what I was explaining is that – I don't know if you got the part about ICANN Legal's policies [inaudible] to ensure that as much information is in the public domain as possible – and so, that's one of the guiding principles concerning D and E. They were discussed, in particular.

Where we did put a lot of work in –the language for number 1 is acknowledgement – and then, if you recall the previous draft alluded to the fact that we were all in our complete individual capacity. We had explained to Legal that many of us are appointed to our entities through a community group, so it's not completely individuals that are applying, because you do have the ability through the application process to apply as an individual, so we emphasized it then, that, going forward, they need to probably consider and ensure that the language for the application process is clear, because then [inaudible] would understand – because this is a new document that is required to [inaudible] – that [inaudible] would understand what their obligations and requirements would be. So, we changed the language to 1, that we've agreed to serve as a Review Team member as a result of a nomination by an ICANN community group, and that the participation is as individuals, and not on behalf of our employers. So, to the best of ICANN's knowledge, we're all nominated on the SSR2 Review Team not representing the views of our entity, but that of individuals in our experienced capacities, etcetera – but as neutral as possible.

They did emphasize that we're not [inaudible] to sign the agreement, so that language is here. However, once it is that we have signed it, it is only – or we get any confidential information – it's only within the [inaudible] of the review, and not to be used for any other purpose,

which, from a legal standpoint, is fair – which is one reason we didn't object to that clause. If any member has an issue with that statement, they can let us know.

We also stated – they wanted to ensure that it was stated in the acknowledgements that we're not representing any particular entity that would use the confidential information to furnish the – other than to have that clear. So, I'll stop here, just to see if there are any questions at this point, and then I'll continue.

Is everything clear so far? Hello?

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

I think silence is golden.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

Okay. So, the paragraph that says information disclosure or exchanged under the agreement is [inaudible] as-is. We spoke about reduction, as well, during this part of it. The fact that the documents that it provides, there are times they may need to redact it by removing any information they are not able to completely disclose. The definition of confidential wasn't challenged too much, because it's pretty standard in many agreements. Unless anyone had an [inaudible], really, I can't amend that too much. So, the next thing I would point you to is that it does not include any information that we would have gotten as a Review Team member from the public domain. Any questions on paragraph 2?

Okay. Moving on.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Denise –

DENISE MICHEL: I have a question.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Paragraph 3.

DENISE MICHEL: I'm not sure which paragraph it relates to, but is there – and I'm going to have to jump off soon, so I may be ahead of myself – but is there a –

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: [inaudible] disclosure [inaudible] requirement [inaudible] to disclose. They would have an obligation to consider the request.

DENISE MICHEL: I have a quick question. Can you hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: – or if ICANN requires it. Denise?

DENISE MICHEL: Hi. Kerry-Ann, I'm sorry; I have to jump off soon. [inaudible] is there a process in place to appeal, or ask for a reconsideration of a Staff decision to classify something as confidential? Did you guys hear that?

Can people hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes, we can hear you.

DENISE MICHEL: Can Kerry-Ann hear me? You know what, I'll type my question into the chat room so I don't delay the conversation. Thanks.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Kerry-Ann, can you hear us? We're having trouble hearing you.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Yes. I stopped talking because I thought you couldn't hear me. Can you hear me now?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes. We can hear you now.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Denise, if you can hear me, or if anyone can hear me – Denise, it's covered under the [AUDIO BREAK] disclosure framework, and [AUDIO DELAY] it is on the paragraph [inaudible] all the [inaudible] goal of facilitating the work of the Review Team. [AUDIO BREAK] I think [AUDIO BREAK]

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Hey, Kerry-Ann – so, paragraph 3 is interesting, but we're not – it sounds like we're having connectivity issues. Can you hear us?

Yeah, I'm seeing a lot of people struggling with the audio and suggesting we may need to pick this up later. And I guess that may need to be the case, especially – I don't know, Kerry-Ann, if you can hear us, but my guess is that paragraph 3 is going to be a real problem for some of us with our legal departments, as it's instructing us to take legal action under the direction of ICANN's Legal team, which could run afoul, potentially, of our own legal departments. I defer to them; I just foresee dragons be there.

So, maybe – as unfortunate as it may be – we maybe should move on to the next agenda topic, and maybe if we get the connectivity issues worked out, we can circle back. Does anybody have any objection to that?

Okay. So, hearing, seeing no clear objections – especially since we pretty much have stagnant – if we get Kerry-Ann back, let's just preempt a jump right back to that. But the next item on the agenda was talking about consultants, the SSR1 gap analysis contracted a technical writer, so maybe – it's fortuitous, I think, that we still have as many

people on the call as we do for this one – can you guys hear me?
Alright, cool. Silence isn't always golden, I guess.

We've had a number of conversations about outlining this, and it's on the agenda because I think we want to get the team's head around that we're planning to do an engagement to get some candidates for the gap analysis and a technical writer. So, I admit I'm not entirely sure how much of this is – why did we sort of put this on the agenda. Denise, did we want to cover an Action Item here?

DENISE MICHEL:

Hi, Eric. It was really just saying, just an update on the status for the team, and that is that we're on the – that Staff is going to update the process they're proposing that we use, and to engage a consultant and clarify [inaudible]. And then also, on the – when we've completed our statement on the work and deliverables on the gap analysis consultant and are ready to move on on that then, we'll add the draft technical writer statement of [inaudible], I think, ready to go next week. In terms of the process, anything – any issue that is important – and we have been discussing this with Staff for what seems like several months now – that's important to clarify is, particularly when we're hiring a consultant to address – to basically assess the activities and work product of Staff – it's important that we have clear lines of substantive guidance that flow from the Team, rather than the Staff, and it's also important that we, of course, follow ICANN's processes, but it's the Team that is selecting the consultants, as well. We need clarification around that process, so we make sure that we're not putting Staff even in the appearance of a position of selecting and guiding a consultant

who is turning around and assessing their own work; that we need to make sure that we respect the responsibilities and the independence of the Review Team to make sure this work is carried out. And this of course applies not only to the SSR Review Team, but all – the WHOIS Review Team that was recently formed, and all the subsequent Review Teams, as well. So, it's just a status report, and more information will be posted on the list. I know Larisa is updating the process and slides on this, and we'll be sending it to the list then. Thanks. And I'm sorry; I'm going to have to drop off the phone. I'll be on the Adobe Connect chatroom, and if you have any additional questions on this or subsequent topics, I can weigh in in writing.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, great. Thank you. And I'll channel you on audio.

DENISE MICHEL: Thanks. Thanks.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, so, I see from said chat room that we maybe have Kerry-Ann back on the phone, so – Kerry-Ann, can you hear us?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Yeah, I can hear you.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Alright, great. Are you able to go through the NDA on the phone as you are now? Is that going to work?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Mm-hmm. Yeah.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay, great.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: [inaudible] as well, so I'm going to try and mute one and keep just the phone.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Great, thank you.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: If we could put back up the –

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes, we have it back.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: – the NDA. I don't know if you were able to see the messages that I sent in the chat?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: I saw you answering Denise's question, and I think that's all I saw after that.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Okay. Well, I don't know if you are able to see just [inaudible] for your information, as well. I think we have – are you able to hear me?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: I heard that.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Okay. Paragraph 7 – that is where, if we had any challenge with any decision that we made, that we could work with ICANN Staff to actually have the document either redacted or reworded into a format that was shareable for public consumption. And in paragraph 8, one of the things that they are hoping is that each Review Team would be able to work with them to improve the document and the framework, given that this is an evolving process with the new bylaws.

I can continue with the – just to go back to the confidentiality agreement. If we go back to that, the Non-Disclosure Agreement, if everybody's okay?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yes.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

Alright, so, paragraph 4. We have to continue discussing this with them. We've asked them to think about a process when you have members who have signed and members who have not signed. So, they said they would work with the Review Team to see how they can share the information. For example, one of the things that they ensured is that, if we do have information, that we keep it confidential in regards to our employer, that the information will be confidential and only be used for the purpose of the review, and any copies that the ICANN Staff has identified as confidential proprietary, that it cannot be used in conflict or harm of the interests of ICANN.

As it relates to paragraph 5, their intent is that any information that is shared with someone who has signed, we would have to find mechanisms for this type of content with members who have not signed. As it relates to summarizing it for the public, the Review Team's final report, they will work – ICANN Staff has assigned someone from Legal to work with us – I think it's Leah; Staff can correct me – [inaudible] Leah? – where she would work with us in terms of the language, for example. So, where we do have documents that parts of it may be confidential, other parts may not, that person will help us to guide how we can actually summarize the points without having the document completely disclosed. Everyone should just pay careful note to the second-to-last paragraph upon the failure or end of your tenure as a Review Team member, we're required to delete any of the documents [inaudible] in our possession, which is [inaudible]. I think most Non-Disclosure Agreements, they do ask that you do that. Any questions on paragraph 5?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: This is Eric. I have a question, and I'll note that [inaudible] question from Mr. Matogoro. He says that, "What will happen" – this is his question; I'm going to let him go first – "What will happen if I don't sign the NDA?"

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: If you don't sign the NDA, what it is saying to us is that you would still work as a member of the Review Team, but we would have to work closely with Staff and the person that they send from Legal to figure out how we treat with information that is marked confidential. So, this will only come into an issue if there are documents marked as confidential. It's not every information that we receive will be confidential. I hope that all Review Team members are clear and comfortable with that. We'll continue to work as is; if you have not signed, and a document has been marked as confidential by ICANN Legal, then this would kick in, pretty much, and then we'll have to find a way for those members who have signed the NDA to discuss the document, work with Legal to see how we can extrapolate the information from that to share with members who have not signed. But this only comes up when a document has been classified as confidential. And the opening paragraph of the document says that you are not obligated to sign.

One of the things we did flag to Legal is that in future, when they [inaudible] call [inaudible] Review Team of this nature, that they put a copy of this up front, so that they are able to review it, persons who are wanting to [inaudible] may be required to do the [inaudible] review the confidential documents. And they've taken this onboard and will

consider it for future reviews. [inaudible], I hope that answered your question.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Okay. While we wait to see if [inaudible] added another sort of comment, I don't know if I missed my [inaudible] to paragraph 3, but if I understand the wording in paragraph 3, it looks to me like it says that – under an issue in which there's a concept raised, that each of the Review Team members agrees to more or less abide by the direction of ICANN Legal Staff. And obviously, I'm not a lawyer or a member of the legal team for my company, but my guess is that there will be some consternation about me acting under the direction of external counsel, if that happens to conflict with what my company's counsel would want me to do. So, obviously, when we feel like we're done with this and we pass it on, I'll wait to hear, but I suspect that could become an issue – not just for me – if I've read that correctly.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

I don't – I'm not sure if that's the understanding that I have from reading it. The first sentence is [inaudible] where it says that, pretty much, if there is any legal obligation, whether it be by a court order, legislation, etcetera, that we would notify ICANN in that regard if we have to disclose the information that they have given to us in confidentiality. That's the first one and that is, ICANN will not be able to say no if you are under a the legal obligation to do it. They won't be able to say no.

If you go to the second paragraph, [inaudible] you will reasonably cooperate – we said that “cooperate” means that within the [inaudible] that you can. So, if it is that you do have advice from your counsel – or your general counsel – regarding how you’d be able to cooperate with them, but it’s something that you’d be able to negotiate. It’s not obligatory; they just say that you will reasonably cooperate, meaning that they’re asking you discretion in it. If any such content disclosure is required, then you agree not to oppose and shall cooperate with all efforts of ICANN – [inaudible] if there is the need to disclose the information, that you cooperate with them. But at the end of the day, I’m not seeing any language that would [inaudible] you from getting advice from your general counsel as to how you would be treated in terms of working with ICANN Legal to meet any obligations of disclosure that may exist.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Keep it in mind that any document that they give [inaudible] position, there is no [inaudible] document that would be our position first, that they would not have released to us, because this is only subject to ICANN-related documents that have been marked as confidential. If you receive the document from another source, and then it becomes – I’m not seeing under what is confidential – [inaudible] other information you may have received from other sources. That is why we could probably clarify [inaudible]. But I’m not seeing anything that covers

that. Everything here should relate to only ICANN-related documents that were received to us under the NDA.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Thank you.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Is there any – so, just so everyone knows that the document is now in a shape that you can share with your internal –

ERIC OSTERWEIL: I think we have lost Kerry-Ann again. Kerry-Ann, can you hear us?

Okay. Yeah.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: And pretty much, ICANN Staff is open and willing to work with us in implementing this document, and one of the things that I've felt throughout all the meetings we had with them is that they're in a mood of cooperation and collaboration, so they are – they took on a lot of the suggested language that we sent to them to make sure that the document was palatable for all of us, as best as possible. And it's in a shape now where we would have to share it with our internal Staff and try to see how best we can finalize it, as we go towards actually doing the meeting that's coming up in October. If anyone has any questions, feel free to channel it through ICANN Staff, and then we would – if

James and I can answer the questions, then we will; and if not, I guess we will involve ICANN Legal.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Okay. Great. So, I just want to do a time check real quick. [CROSSTALK] We've got twelve minutes left, so – just a time check. And it looks like Mr. Matogoro was not able to hear the answer to his question very clearly. So, I can read – Kerry-Ann, are you in the chat room, or is it helpful for me to read the question out loud?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

No, I can read it. Let me see the paragraph that he's [inaudible] – he says article 4 – [inaudible] clarify the Review Team is [inaudible] – I'm just trying to find the sentence. I'm not sure – anyone is seeing – I'm not seeing – is this paragraph article 4 of the [inaudible] – the Review Team is encouraged to notify the Board about any issues or concerns regarding the [inaudible] of documents that [inaudible], in order to assist in the identification of a resolution in a timely manner. One of the things that they're encouraging, Mr. Matogoro, is that we try to resolve it with as much [inaudible] as possible before entering into the official channels, because then it becomes a longer process, and [AUDIO BREAK] basically [inaudible] work. So, what I understood from paragraph 4 was that they would encourage us, as best as possible, to work with the Staff – can have any information that we think should not have been classified reclassified as [inaudible] question concerning review and appeal. So, that's it. I think if there's anything else from that, you could probably – you could probably read this directly.

Okay, concerning the [inaudible] of the NDA, we're not all obligated to sign it. If it is that you still are not comfortable with signing it, you don't have to. What it would mean is that any confidential information shared to any member who has signed the NDA, we would have to work with ICANN Staff and Legal to determine how we can extrapolate the information to share with those team members who have not. This is a process that Legal says they will work with us closely to get through, and they would – I think, in that regard, it's a new process for everyone – so they're willing to cooperate with us and see how best we can have the document reviewed, shared, summarized, and included in the final report for public consumption, as well.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Okay. I just want to do another time check. We're inside of ten minutes, and I'd like to carve out a few minutes at the end, so – hey, Kerry-Ann, how are we tracking with going through it so far? Are we most of the way, or – where do we stand?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

Eric, that question was for me or Karen? I wasn't sure.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

For you, Kerry-Ann. Sorry.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT:

Could you repeat the question?

ERIC OSTERWEIL: I was just wondering – I just was noting that I wanted a few minutes at the end for some administrivia, so I was giving you the go – the green light to keep going.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Concerning this, right? The review? Because I can – I don't know why I'm having trouble hearing you.

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Okay.

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: [inaudible] the –

ERIC OSTERWEIL: Yeah, just [inaudible]. Are we close to finishing reviewing the document, or are we about halfway?

KERRY-ANN BARRETT: Oh, no, I thought you heard that part. No, no, I said that already. The document is in a shape that you could share internally now with your employers, or whatever it may be. The idea is to see how best – if we can sign – if some of us could sign it by the time we get to L.A., it would be good. So, the document is now in a shareable format. There are one or two things that Karen or – can correct me – there are one or two

things that [inaudible] come back to us with, but I think that Legal was comfortable with you starting to sensitize your companies with this draft, and that any comments that you have, funnel it through Karen or the team, the ICANN Staff, and then, if James and I can't answer the questions, then we will funnel it back to Legal and then see if we can set a meeting up with them. So, the document is now in a shareable format.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Great, thank you. Yes, I didn't [inaudible] that properly. Thank you. So, yes, we are short on time, and so, I think what we need to do, probably, is push a couple of these items off for the next meeting.

So, the next item on the list was prep for Abu Dhabi, and so, I'll run right past that one, and I'll just simply say that we have a number of outreach meetings scheduled and socialized, and one of the things that I would appreciate if we could do – on the list, preferably – is, anybody that has any expectations or interest in particular objectives in talking to external groups – like things that you want to do, like why you feel that we should be reaching out to these groups – I think it would be good to make sure the team is on the same page about, “Are we briefing them? Are they briefing us? Are we briefing each other? Are we looking to corroborate some of our thoughts?” – etcetera, and so forth. I think that will help structure each of these meetings. And so, even if it's just, “We're all on the same page,” [inaudible] thing be useful [inaudible], because I sense that this is something we need to bring aboveboard. And unfortunately, we may have to pick it up on the next call as a discussion topic.

And then, finally, slide 7 that you guys have up from the mailing list is the upcoming meetings. So, just very quickly – September 19 is the early morning one, at 0600 UTC; and then, the 26 of September is 1400, 3 of October is 2100. And a reminder that there's a community of webinars that maybe most of us have heard from multiple different channels about – the recently released report, "Statistical Analysis of DNS Abuse in gTLDs," and so, that is a webinar that will be held on the 13 of September, 1400 hours UTC, and the 14 of September, 0400 hours UTC. There is information on the mailing list on how to join.

Of course, I'm always interested in questions, but before we jump to any of that, I'd like to see if Norm wants to take a second to be put on the spot to introduce himself, and if not, that's okay.

NORM RITCHIE:

Oh, sure. Yeah, thank you. Thank you for the warm welcome. So, I'm very happy to be joining this team. It's something I'm – the topic is something I'm rather passionate about. For those of you that don't know me – some of you, I've worked with before, so hello to you all – but for those of you that don't know me, I used to be the CIO at .CIRA, and I also worked at ISC with the fabulous DNS crew. More recently, I just finished four years with CrowdStrike in cybersecurity, where I spoke [inaudible] primarily on DNS intelligence. And currently, I'm actually on my own. I contract now. So, that gives me some free time, so I'm looking at where I can best contribute to this group. I'm obviously coming in late to the game, and I'll be careful about disrupting anything by asking questions that have already been covered. So, I'll read as

much of the material as I can to catch up, and I look forward to contributing.

ERIC OSTERWEIL:

Great. Thank you very much, and very warm welcome from all of us. So, that brings us pretty much through the agenda. I don't know that there's a huge amount of upside to spending the next three minutes trying to run through either of the two things I blew past real quick. I think [inaudible] would need more time. But I will certainly open it up to Any Other Business. So, does anyone have anything they'd like to bring up or discuss?

Well then, not to have my bluff called, but I now return you two and a half minutes of your life. Thanks, everyone, for joining this week.

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