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MARIO ALEMAN: Mario speaking. Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Welcome to the LACRALO Governance Working Group Call on October the 12<sup>th</sup>, at 18:00 UTC. We have Dev Anand Teelucksingh, on the English channel; and we have Alberto Soto, Aiida Noblia, Sergio Salinas Porto, Harold Arcos, and Vanda Scartezini. We have Silvia Vivanco, Mario Aleman, and myself on behalf of the staff in the Spanish channel.

We have Paula and David as our interpreters, and I would like to remind you, all participants, to please say your name and to speak as slowly as possible and that will help not only the interpretation, but also the transcription. So I give the floor to Sergio Salinas Porto.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. This is Sergio Salinas Porto, for the record. Good morning, good afternoon, good evening to you all. We have an agenda with some outstanding items from last week. We still have to finalize some conceptual aspects regarding the definitions of what we call an ordinary assembly, an extraordinary assembly, and a monthly meeting. We have had some postings on these items on the Wiki page. Both Dev and Alberto -- both did comment, and Aiida also did the same, recently.

And they commented on this subject matter, so initially, I would like to give the floor to Dev so that he can explain to us what he did after the meeting on the Wiki page, and then we can address each of the items in order to finalize these topics and to be able to move forward and start discussing the next item that is more important.

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And so, Dev? I have translated your posts into Spanish using the Google translator, but I would like you to read your suggestions and the interpreters can translate to us what you have posted. Thank you.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Thank you, Sergio. This is Dev Anand. Welcome, everyone. So, one of the action items from the last call was to try to come up with a definition of the three types of meetings. And here's my wording: "LACRALO has three types of meetings to coordinate the work of LACRALO. These are as follows: Annual Ordinary Assembly; an annual ordinary assembly is an annual meeting of all of the accredited members of LACRALO, whether face-to-face or virtual. It is called with notice as prescribed by LACRALO's operating principles, and in accordance with what is specified in the rules of procedure.

The agenda of the annual ordinary assembly shall be adopted by a simple numerical majority of the LACRALO membership, and shall include but not limited to, motions to: 1) receive and discuss the report of LACRALO representatives; 2) elected persons to represent LACRALO, as appropriate; 3) pronounce on the expenditure budget as presented by the designated officer; and change LACRALO's rules of procedure or operating principles.

Motions at an annual ordinary assembly shall be presented in accordance with LACRALO'S operating principles and its rules of procedure. Motions voted at the annual ordinary assembly are subject to LACRALO'S rules of procedure regarding how votes are calculated." So that's the first type of meeting.

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Second meeting: the Extraordinary Assembly; an extraordinary assembly is a meeting of all of the accredited members of LACRALO, whether face-to-face or virtual. It is called with notice, as prescribed by LACRALO's operating principles and in accordance with what is specified in LACRALO's rules of procedure. The agenda of the extraordinary assembly shall be adopted by a simple numerical majority of the LACRALO membership to decide on questions in the form of motions, of a serious or urgent nature that cannot wait for the convening of the annual ordinary assembly.

Motions at the extraordinary assembly shall be presented in accordance with LACRALO's operating principles and its rules of procedure. Motions voted at the extraordinary assembly are subject to LACRALO's rules of procedure, regarding how votes are calculated.

And the third meeting, ordinary meetings. Ordinary meetings are convened by the LACRALO secretariat or any designated LACRALO member to discuss the work of LACRALO and/or on issues relevant to ICANN and the ICANN At-Large community. Ordinary meetings do not have quorum requirements, and therefore cannot consider motions meant to be considered by all member of LACRALO.

So, that's the conclusion there. If you listen carefully, you notice I've tweaked the definitions of two of the meetings. I've called an ordinary assembly the annual ordinary assembly, simply because it is a meeting that's held once a year, so I thought it really needs to be included in the definition. And I changed ordinary monthly meetings to ordinary meetings, and the reason for that suggested change was because, you know, the LACRALO may meet more than once a month, especially like

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for example this working group. So the idea was to just convey that these are ordinary meetings.

Okay. So, I see the text is up on the screen, and I hope -- I'll stop there and see if anybody has any questions. If you notice, I talk about the core differences between the ordinary assembly and extraordinary assembly. If you notice, the only key difference is there needs to be motions of a serious and urgent nature that cannot wait for the convening of the annual ordinary assembly. So, that was the key difference between the extraordinary assembly and an annual ordinary assembly. Okay? Okay, I'll stop here now, that's it.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. I see that Alberto is asking for the floor.

ALBERTO SOTO: I don't know if anybody else would like to take the floor, please let me know. Alberto Soto speaking. I agree with Dev's differentiation with this definition, and I have a few comments to make. It says that all the members should be present and the word "all" should not be there because perhaps one of the members is not there, and that will mean that we cannot have the assembly. It is good to have these differentiation, but I think that Dev is -- I did think that we already agreed that we would not include here.

Here we just need a definition, and here we are adding language about the quorum. We are saying who convenes the meeting, who sets the

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agenda, so I think that we had already agreed that here we would have definitions about the three types of meetings and that would okay, but if we add some more details, then all the rest has to be included in the operating principles, otherwise we can never move forward. Who convenes the meeting or the assembly; what subjects are discussed in each of these meetings; and whether motions are submitted or not; how the motions are going to be handled; that level of detail should be included in the operating principles, not in the definitions; otherwise, we won't be able to move forward.

I believe that in all the RALOs, their monthly meeting is called a monthly meeting, so I think that we should still keep that name, and so as not to make any difference if we need to call another meeting we can call it anyway, and this can continue to be called a monthly meeting.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. I think that Harold asked for the floor.

HAROLD ARCOS: I apologize, but I cannot hear Sergio. [AUDIO BREAK]

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Yes, we are not getting a good quality audio from Sergio's connection, so we will try to call him because nobody can understand what is coming through the audio. [AUDIO BREAK]

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MARIO ALEMAN: Mario speaking. Perhaps we can give the floor to those who have asked for the floor. We can wait for Sergio to come back, but I see that Harold Arcos and Vanda Scartezini have asked for the floor. Go ahead.

HAROLD ARCOS: Harold speaking. Thank you, Mario. Thank you, Sergio. Let me quickly react to what Dev has explained. I agree on the fact that we should keep the name for the monthly meetings as such, because that is what we have in our databases, and this is what defines the purpose of these monthly meetings. I agree that we should keep the name.

The extraordinary assembly clearly indicates that this assembly can be convened at any time, and it is just to discuss urgent matters that cannot wait until we can convene the usual assembly, so that should be considered an extraordinary assembly. These are my two observations.

As far as language is concerned, although this could be dealt with in a second-revision round, I don't think it makes a difference to have the word "all" or not in there because when it comes to voting, we already have rules for that, so I think the term "all" makes reference to the fact that these are all the people who can convene this assembly. All the accredited members; not necessarily any other member from any other ALS can convene this assembly, only accredited members can do that. So I think that that is the purpose of that term there.

So these are my comments, and I agree and I think that the summary made by Dev and Alberto really summarized what I wanted to see here. Just to move forward, I think that we should review the objectives of each of these meetings, and we need to keep in mind that we want to

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reveal from the Los Angeles meeting, our procedures, our processes, to see where we need some updates in order to add more transparency and do away with any level of uncertainty.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you. I would like to know if you can hear me better now. Hello?

MARIO ALEMAN: Mario speaking. Yes, Sergio, we can hear you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. I see that Vanda is still asking for the floor, so let me take a few minutes to make a few comments, myself. I want to say that I agree with Alberto. The purpose here is just to have definitions for each of the different types of meetings that we agreed that we would have. That would be, what we call in Spanish, the ordinary assembly, the extraordinary assembly, and the monthly meetings. And whatever we add to this definition relating to the quorum requirements or to the timing, will appear in the rules of procedure, so what we need to do now is to define exactly what is each meeting?

In the general concept written by Dev, I think that we have good guidance here, and we are getting to some common ground, but let me make a comment about extraordinary assembly. In my view, the extraordinary assembly has to have a narrowed down space. It has to be subject to specific issues that require convening an extraordinary

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assembly. So perhaps we can have a list of reasons why we would call an extraordinary assembly.

So, my proposal, what I put forward to you, is that we have a very short list to remove somebody or to do what we are doing now to modify our own rules and regulations. So in that case, we can convene an extraordinary assembly, but the extraordinary assembly cannot be used any topic that somebody wants to discuss. So, there needs to be a closed list of topics or reasons why this assembly could be convened; it would only be for very special cases.

And finally, Dev mentioned something that I raised here at some point, before, and that is that once again in addition to the monthly meetings, we can have some other type of meetings, but the monthly meeting can be called a monthly meeting for LACRALO but we can have some other type of meetings; so like working group meetings, for instance.

And we can simply say that in a marginal note, but the monthly meeting should not be mistaken with any other type of meeting held in this region. The monthly meeting should be the space, the forum in where the different organizations that are part of LACRALO can actively participate. That's all on my side, and I'm going to give the floor to Vanda.

VANDA SCARTEZINI:

Vanda speaking. Hello. How are you? Can you hear me well?

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Yes, we can hear you well, Vanda. Go ahead.



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VANDA SCARTEZINI:

Vanda speaking. I agree with the principles and the comments that have been raised here. We have the ordinary assembly that requires a definition, but not all the details about the quorum requirement, the procedure for voting. The extraordinary assembly, in my opinion -- I'm not sure, Sergio, that I entirely agree with you because if you include a list, you always need something else and that creates confusion. So I think that the way that Dev has expressed it is quite clear. It is convened to deal with urgent matters.

And we can also have a list of all the topics or issues that can be raised at the general assembly because if we need to elect somebody outside our annual assembly, we can convene an extraordinary assembly. So, I think that there is no formal difference. One is a mandatory meeting, and that is the annual ordinary assembly. The other meeting may take place at any time, whenever there is an urgent matter to discuss.

So I agree with Dev that we need to narrow down this definition to matters of an urgent nature. It doesn't matter which topic we are talking about. It has to have an urgent nature. And I agree that this is something that we need to have, we need to have the monthly meetings, and these are mandatory meetings, so my suggestions is that we should consider that all the working group meetings are ordinary meetings to discuss perhaps topics that are so relevant, that do not require any vote.

So perhaps we can have a fourth bullet point here, or a fourth category talking about general ordinary meetings; so these ordinary meetings will

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be truly ordinary meetings, like our meeting, like the outreach meeting, like other web meetings in which we define how we are going to set up our web pages, and so we can have another category for this type of general ordinary meetings.

The thing with ordinary is that from a legal standpoint it requires to have some initial proposal, a proposed agenda in an ordinary meeting, but I think that all the working groups that get together or that have a meeting within LACRALO to discuss certain topics can be considered also as ordinary meetings because this fits within the principles -- this idea of having an agenda, and some initial thoughts. So, these are my comments.

I think that the annual ordinary assembly is properly differentiated here from an extraordinary assembly that deals with matters of urgent nature, but I don't agree with having a list because I think that the ordinary assembly is used for management, for representatives, for dealing with those aspects that require a formal vote, but I think that all that detail can be better defined in the operating principles. So, that is my overall position. I agree with this definition for ordinary assembly, but without all these details.

For the extraordinary assembly, I agree with Dev's proposal. This should only be convened for dealing with matters of urgent nature. Then there are monthly meetings, and then the other meetings can be called ordinary meetings. But the monthly meeting is a mandatory meeting, so we need to define it here as a monthly meeting. It cannot be mistaken with other meetings like the one we are having. Thank you.

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SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio speaking. Thank you very much, Vanda, for your input. I'm now going to give the floor to Aiida. [AUDIO BREAK]

Sergio still speaking. Aiida, are you there?

AIIDA NOBLIA: This is Aiida speaking. I hope you can hear me now. I just wanted to acknowledge that what Dev wrote is very complete, and it is very long. What I was writing on the Wiki is I don't really agree with the other criterion that is adding some minimal issues on these and leaving the rest for the operating principles.

It's not that I disagree with adding these right there, but if we add the rest in the operating principles, then we will have everything brought in together. I'm not really very concerned about this because, as for bylaws, it is usual to see in our associations that we add more details. Now, we do not add operating principles in those cases. So, I think conceptually we actually do agree.

And now, I agree with Vanda that the monthly meeting is a special meeting and it's not the same as a working group, and also, the monthly meeting is a call to all the members in the regions and the groups, usually, are limited to a certain number of people and they are for very specific targets and objectives. They usually do not imply the same issues that are dealt with at monthly meetings. So it's okay to separate that.

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Now, on the other hand, there's the issue of who issues the call. My question is: can one person, or can any person from LACRALO issue that call? The call is usually effected not by the person itself, but if it's submitted, it is included in the procedure and it is submitted before the chair and secretary so that they can issue the call. [Inaudible] is a personal call, and then also, [inaudible] can present or request or [inaudible] to issue that call for [inaudible] the original request and other kinds of bylaws in the region that says, "Well, this is or is not a [inaudible]."

So perhaps we need to record this; it's a procedural issue [inaudible] average person asking for it. But then, in general terms, we agree in the concept [inaudible]. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Okay. Thank you, Aaida. And Dev, you now have the floor.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh. I'm just coming off of mute there. Are you all hearing me? Okay. Thank you. Okay, a lot of comments. Thanks for that. So, I think I've kind of [inaudible] on some of the core things that people are saying. Regarding the word ordinary meetings and whether it should have monthly meetings, I think the point that I'm trying to say is that obviously [inaudible] in LACRALO monthly RALO call, right? Which is convened by the secretariat, you know, it falls under this definition.

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My point is, is that LACRALO can't have, you know -- it could have, you know, as [inaudible] like weekly calls, if it needed to discuss something of urgency; so for LACRALO or some ICANN matter that requires, you know, comments on some particular topic that requires input. So, that's why we call it an ordinary meeting, and that includes the monthly meeting, and it includes the working group meetings, like this one.

And the reason why I see that designated LACRALO member -- Sergio is the designated LACRALO member that is dubbed as chair of this working group. So he has been designated by LACRALO to open the meeting and chair it. Right? So that's why I say or any designated LACRALO member. I mean, the chair and secretariat aren't on the call for these, and you know, in a sense, you're almost potentially saying that without the secretariat or the president or the chair present, then the call cannot continue. But my interest is that once the chair is there, which is any designated member, then the call can continue.

So, that's why I would say ordinary meetings, and because the word "monthly meeting" says once a month when I look at the English of "monthly meetings". Monthly meetings means once a month. It doesn't mean daily meetings, weekly meetings, every other week, every other day type of meetings, you know, so that's why I say ordinary meetings.

Regarding the definitions of annual ordinary assembly and extraordinary assembly, I tried to phrase it so that it is flexible, and if you look at the definition of the extraordinary assembly, it says here that the agenda has to be adopted by the LACRALO membership to decide on questions in the form of motions.

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So if there is a motion prescribed to say, “We must call an extraordinary meeting to discuss this question,” you know, the members of LACRALO have to decide, “Okay, is this a serious or urgent nature? Can such a matter wait until the annual ordinary assembly,” and then us, the members, can decide by a simple majority whether it’s done, that it is acceptable to convene the extraordinary assembly to then look at the motion, debate it, and then vote on it.

And if you look at -- sorry, I’m not sure who said it, but in terms of adding various conditions to the extraordinary assembly, I don’t think it’s worthwhile. It’s up to whoever’s proposing that A) there’s a motion that needs to be considered; and [inaudible] serious and urgent matter because of whatever reason it gives, and then the members can decide, “Well, is that serious enough or not,” and so forth. Otherwise, potentially, you can have somebody calling extraordinary assemblies [inaudible] which is not practical and would bring the work of LACRALO to a halt.

And again, the annual ordinary assembly, you know, again, the agenda is set by us, and it shall include but is not limited to the motion where you look up the report of the LACRALO representatives, electing persons to present LACRALO, and so forth. So you know, it’s not that you cannot consider different motions there, except to say what makes the annual ordinary assembly special is that it will be considering those types of things.

And attending the assembly is where you have quorum is critical because you cannot have an assembly that is not quorum because if you have an extraordinary assembly, and let us say three ALSes show up,

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then that is not quorum compared to the entire membership of LACRALO, so that's why I say it has to be convened for all the members of LACRALO. You cannot have success creating an assembly, it has to be a quorum considering all the members of LACRALO.

So, I hope I have -- perhaps that's what needs to happen, is perhaps a Spanish translation to happen for the list so people could see the differences. Again, I'm happy to answer questions. I hope I've answered them. Gracias.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio. Thank you very much, Dev. I'm going to give the floor to Alberto now, and I am on the queue to take the floor again.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. My computer is not working properly. It's not writing very well, so I'm going to repeat. As you can see, we have been spending 36 minutes of this meeting and we're no further than we were before, and this happens because we are adding. We had agreed we would only deal with definitions on kinds of meetings, well, three different kinds of meetings, and we had said that working groups are specific and they're for a specific group of people, and they wouldn't be included within [inaudible] of people, so we're now discussing this again.

When we try to describe who is calling these and whether there is or is no motion, this has to do with the operating principles. We have agreed that we would deal only with definitions here, not the content that's --

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we need to say that everything has to be -- there will be a time to discuss all that. I think we're not really progressing.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio speaking. Thank you very much. You sound a bit grumpy sometimes. My only concern here is [CROSSTALK] -- the thing is that the extraordinary meetings should have some kind of framework. When we talk about urgent issues, it may be urgent for someone to try to deal with issues that can only be discussed in a monthly meeting.

So somehow if the list is not a short list and this is not the right way, then we should look for a definition, and in principle, just to say that this is for extraordinary issues, and then we can think about the rules and see are the cases where we can call an extraordinary assembly and when not.

And there may be [inaudible] left to free interpretation that anything is important. And we should consider who called it; it was probably called by secretary and chair at the request of an organization complying or meeting some requirements; for example, it has to be more than six or 10 organizations, or maybe there has to be a certain percentage, but we will see all of that in the rules.

So, I ask that we make an effort to try and work only on a definition that is simple and that can see the difference between one and the other. We need to see this in another process within the governance group that will bring the operating principles. So, we should have a process now for a simple definition, making a difference between the three and



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then, when we finished with the operating principles, we should go to the rules of procedure to try and work on that.

If you agree, I propose that in the rest of the time that we have, which is 20 minutes, that we should deal with other issues. Otherwise, we will end this issue right here. We will define what is each of them, and then we will go on to another issue. I will give now the floor to Dev, and if you agree after Dev speaks, we can raise our hands in the chat room, the AC room to say, yes or no. Dev, you now have the floor. Please go ahead, Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. This is Dev Anand speaking. So, you know, that's why I just focused on the core differences between the different types of meetings, and I say that's why I include the wording are presented in accordance with LACRALO's operating principles and rules of procedure. The reason why it's exactly condensed is, you know, if you want to have more detailed conversations about the types of motions and all that, that could be down the road, but you know, we could decide on that in the rules of procedure afterwards.

But I think what you're trying to emphasize is a definition, the annual ordinary assembly, the extraordinary assembly, and the ordinary meetings. And I think, generally, people are agreeing with it. I guess there's just some concerns with the terminology. But that's why I say throughout the two definitions, you know, especially when it comes to agendas and so on; that's why I say, "Prescribed by LACRALO's operating principles, and in accordance with the rules of procedure," so

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[inaudible] whatever we define it's captured in those two documents, but I was focusing solely on the core difference. Okay?

And I said both just so that we can make sure, you know, that we catch anything that -- if you want to include in operating principles, we could still be there, or if you want it in rules of procedure, it will be there. But I just wanted to declare the definition, and just say that everything has to be done in accordance, and we can define that in much greater detail inserting other bullet points or additional documents, etc.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: [Inaudible]. [AUDIO BREAK]

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Dev, do you have more comments, or are you finished?

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Sorry, this is Dev. I'm finished.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. Vanda, I see that you are asking for the floor, go ahead. [AUDIO BREAK]

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: This is Dev. Just to say again, yes, I'm finished.

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VANDA SCARTEZINI: An assembly is a meeting as specified in the rules of procedure. I think that the first sentence for the assembly is very good and we agree with that. But I think that this has to be sent to the rules of procedure. The same applies to the extraordinary assembly. The first sentence is very good. Although we don't use the term "ordinary meeting", but "monthly meeting", I think that up to the work community, the sentence is fine.

And then, we can include a definition for all the other meetings that may be held because of the different interests of the LACRALO working groups, so we can say that LACRALO may submit proposals for meetings to discuss technical or specific issues of interest to the community. I think that if we do this, we all agree. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Vanda. So, do you agree that we should start working on the definition, that is on the determining the definition for the three types of meetings so that we can move forward? Do you agree? You can write in the chat whether you are in agreement with this and -- okay, okay, two or three have already answered. Dev has asked for the floor. Vanda is still writing. Okay. Go ahead, Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks, Sergio. I just wanted to reply to what's been said. So what's being asked is to accept the definitions and then we can move on to other matters facing the governance working group like how individual members can be accepted as so forth? Just to clarify, thanks.

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SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. My proposal is the following. First, we can finalize this discussion on the meetings in order to agree on three short definitions so we can write them here, so that we don't have to come back to this, and then, once we have done that, we can start talking about individual users.

I don't know if we will have enough time. We still have 14 minutes, but in the time that we have left we can try to close this discussion and then start talking about individual users. This is a topic that we need to discuss and where we also need to express our opinions. Do you agree?

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: This is Dev. Sorry, this is Dev. Yes, I agree. Let's move on to the individual users' discussion.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. So, let me make a proposal. I will put forward a definition based on what Dev shared with us, and the contributions made by others, and myself, because I think that there is some coincidence there. I will write a short text and if you agree, I will read it out and I'll ask the interpreters to read it or to translate it into English so that Dev can follow the text proposed. Just give me a minute.  
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I'm having some problems, I think, with Adobe Connect. [AUDIO BREAK]

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Sergio speaking. This is what I wrote earlier. Dev made it shorter, I think, and it is important for us to look at this, too. It is basically the same, so if you agree with this part of the definition, I think that we can move forward. Dev, you have the floor, go ahead.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks, Sergio. This is Dev. Can I suggest, you know, instead of you trying to do this on the fly, which is very hard to do, put your comments on the Wiki, and of course, everybody else can comment on it, and decide whether they agree or not with the text. Then we can spend the remainder of this call to discuss some more concepts regarding the individual users because I think we're making great progress on this thing with the meetings practically.

So, you know, instead of trying to do it immediately here, let's have it so that it's on the Wiki, and then we can see the text and then reply accordingly and so forth. And then we can spend the remainder of the time to just quickly discuss some concepts regarding the individual users. That's it.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. I saw that you agreed with working on these definitions right now, that is why I started this and everybody said, "Okay," so now, you are saying that this should be postponed for another week. We should finish with this on the Wiki, and now we can proceed to talk about the individual users, right? Question for you, Dev.

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DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks. This is Dev. I'm just saying, you know, if you want to do this now, then I guess -- and if the majority of the members want to do this, then fine, but I'm just saying, it's more productive to talk about the concepts, because this can be done on the Wiki. This can be done on the email list; to go over the definitions. But if the group really wants to do this now, I guess, fine.

I'm not sure if I want to agree then to any of the changes because then I will want to see what the text is in English, when it's properly translated or read out to me, which is going to take more time. But if the group wants to do this now -- you know, I still say put it on the Wiki for us and let's all see it there. Let's use the remaining time to discuss the concepts properly and dialogue about individual users or individual members in LACRALO. That's it.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. You are finished, right? Dev, what I'm doing is just to take the first few paragraphs of the definitions and I'm copying them in the chat window. Once they are there, we need to read them. Silvia or Mario can read them in English or the interpreters can do that for you to see that the language is similar to what you did, and if we agree, we can move close this issue.

Anyway, of course, we can come back because perhaps we can improve on some thoughts, but initially this would be the idea and I would post it in the Wiki to record it there, and for comments. So we can take advantage of these six minutes to do that, if you agree. [AUDIO BREAK]

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ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. I agree with Dev. Why don't we stop this discussion now because we won't be able to finish with the three definitions in the few minutes that are left? We can do that on the Wiki page, and let's start the discussion on the other topic. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Okay. So, the other topic -- but Alberto, you said that you agree. Now you are going back on your decision, so we have the three paragraphs that Dev added, and if we agree, all the rest can be taken to the rules of procedures. If you want, in five minutes, we can talk about the topic that will actually take us three weeks. So, let's give it a title. Final users or end users. What should we do with end users? I don't know who wants to take the floor.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto speaking. I think that, as we said the other day, we need to accept the users. They will be imposed, but the other RALOs also have them. We will have to accept them, but when it comes to voting -- and that requires a more in-depth discussion -- when it comes to taking a vote, I don't know if we can do like APRALO, where all the individual users count as one single vote, as if they were just one single ALS, and perhaps that could be a good solution, at least to deal with the vote. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking. Aiida and all the rest, I apologize but my Adobe freezes and I don't see your hands up.

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AIIDA NOBLIA:

Aiida speaking. What I wanted to say is exactly what Alberto has just said because we have been working on the review group and that was our conclusion. We looked at the other RALOs and we should accept end users to attend the assembly and speak, so they will have the right to take the floor, to speak, but they will not have a right to vote unless we choose the other option that other RALOs have chosen, and that is, in the case of one of the RALOs, whenever there is a subject that is put for a vote, all the individual users get together for that occasion as if they were just one single entity, and all the votes count as one single vote.

In NARALO, there is an ALS that has been established already, and they have the right to vote and to take the floor -- all individual users that are not members of an ALS. This is what I found out and I don't know which solution we can choose, but now setting up an ALS in order to follow the example of NARALO would be much more complicated because if we have a vote, perhaps all of the individual users can get together and count as one vote. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. Thank you. Dev, you have the floor. We only have two minutes and two requests for the floor, so one minute each.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH:

Okay. Thank you, Sergio. This is Dev. So, regarding the individual members in LACRALO, I think this needs to happen because we need



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new blood to be able to participate in the work of LACRALO and ICANN At-Large. So, I know the key concern is -- or the concern is the potential for individual members to overwhelm the assembly in terms of voting.

But, just as how we have the country coefficient, we can also have all of the individual users per countries, which will act like a virtual ALS and that way, you know -- and then we establish the procedure that if you're a particular user based in this country, then you have to join this virtual ALS and it will be treated, and those individual members in the country will then have to elect one representative or send us one representative, and that will cast the vote in any motion by LACRALO, and also potentially, you know, be possibly elected to represent LACRALO. So, that's it. Bye.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio speaking. Thank you, Dev. I see Harold has written something on the chat. I don't know, maybe Harold, would you like to take the floor, or maybe we can ask for a few more minutes from our interpreters and from staff. See if they can give us those minutes so that you can take the floor.

HAROLD ARCOS: This is Harold speaking. Thank you, Sergio. I have three key issues. I think as a region, we need to review the contradictions that we may consider because what we want to do is to include individual participation, but at the same time, at the end of the day, we want them to be a big ALS with a good representative. So, this is not the same logic we are having now with the ALSes.

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So I think the issue of individual users would be important and it is pertinent to the extent that we acknowledge that there is a reality within ICANN where ALSes don't necessarily participate collectively with a collective construction, but actually, there are realities within ICANN that are showing us in our face that there are some people working individually and they stand out because of their work.

So this is the opportunity to facilitate that, of course, but we need to work on the rights and duties that these people may have because we may fall into a contradiction that may lead people to leave to go to other groups, and that other group may have a weighted vote and that, in the end, is an ALS; it has the same logic of an ALS.

And we don't really know whether a person wants to work on their own, and maybe their vote may be diluted among 30 other people in an ALS. So, these are important challenges. It is important to participate on the Wiki, and to add that there. Thank you.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio speaking. Thank you very much, Harold, for your input, and I'm going to say the same thing one more time. If some people would like to participate on their own, they can do that, but this is a collective space. People can issue an opinion, that's not a problem. Now, the fact that they have the same range of possibilities as an organization, then that is something that I do not agree with. I think this is a mistaken place. It is leading the participation of users so that the voice of users is a voice that is diluted when all the rest represent collective efforts, collective interests.

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Sometimes, it's companies that have very defined interests; the same as countries that have very defined interests and they define this as a collective effort. So my proposal is that we continue discussing this. This can just add to a lot more.

We have two more minutes. I see there are two hands raised. Since we have one minute now to leave our interpreters. So now I give the floor to Harold Arcos, again. Harold, would you like to speak? I see he doesn't want to speak. So, Aiida, you have the floor.

AIIDA NOBLIA:

This is Aiida speaking. I just want to say that, as for individual users, we always acknowledge the possibility for them to speak and to give their opinion. There's no question about that. The issue is in the case of voting, and my concern is whether we are going to put them together as an ALS and they're going to have only one vote, or if we will have just a different ALS. So, this is pending for our next meeting.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

This is Sergio speaking now. So again, this is pending for the next meeting. These are the definitions that we need to add on our Wiki page and then please, let's close this issue throughout the week. Next week, we need to deal with a different issue. We have been dealing with a template for three meetings already. It's already a good time to put a full stop to that. We need to probably agree on that by email and progress on the issue of users for the next week.

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So, I'm sending you a big hug, and then next week, we're going to be only with end users. Thank you very much. That's all. This call is now adjourned.

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