MARIO ALEMAN:	Good morning, good afternoon and good evening, everyone. Welcome to the LACRALO monthly meeting today on November the 20th, 2017 at 23:00 UTC.
	On today's call we have on the English channel Bartlett Morgan, on Spanish we have Wladimir Dávalos, Juan Manuel Rojas, Aida Noblia, Ricardo Holmquist, Harold Arcos, Maritza Aguero, Javier Rua-Jovet, Lito Ibarra, Alberto Soto, Renata Aquino Ribeiro, Laura Margolis, Christelle Vaval. We have no participants on the Portuguese channel. In French, we have Nikenley Severe.
	Apologies have been sent by Dev Anand Teelucksingh and Humberto Carrasco.
	From Staff, we have Silvia Vivanco, Heidi Ullrich, Claudia Ruiz, and myself, Mario Aleman. I will be managing the call.
	Our interpreters today are, on the Spanish channel, Veronica and David, Portuguese, Bettina, and on French, we have Isabelle and Jacques.
	Apologies were presented by Dev Anand Teelucksingh.
	And without further ado, I would like to welcome you all and remind you all to state your names before speaking, not only for the transcript but also for the interpreters. So with that, Maritza, please go ahead. You have the floor. Thank you.
MARITZA AGUERO:	Thank you very much, Mario. Can you hear me okay?

MARIO ALEMAN:	Yes, go ahead, please.

MARITZA AGUERO: Okay. Thank you very much. So we will begin by reading the agenda for today so that we can start with the call at once. We will have a presentation by Bartlett Morgan. He's an ALAC member, he will be providing us with an update on ALAC public consultation, and he will be mentioning the most important topics of our meeting.

Then we will have a presentation by Javier Rua-Jovet. He's a NARALO representative, he will be informing us on the meeting ICANN61 in Puerto Rico, who will also speak about domain names in affected areas. This is a hot topic on our mailing list, so it is a good opportunity to provide information to the community about this topic.

Then we will have Harold Arcos. He will also be providing us a presentation about a very interesting topic. This is policy development process and this has to do with New gTLD Subsequent Procedures. Then we will have an update item that were discussed in ICANN60.

We will give the floor to Heidi. Heidi will be updating us on FY19 additional budget requests and discretionary funds for the RALOs.

We will have also Renata Aquino. She will be talking about the Global Indigenous Ambassador Program.

Then Jose Ovidio Salgueiro will be updating us on the NomCom. We will also discuss the work with ALAC members, because we want to propose something, and this is to start working on this topic.

And at the end, we will have a presentation about the formation of the future LACRALO Council by Sylvia Herlein Leite.

Then we will have Any Other Business, and this is the ALAC Subcommittee on Finance and Budget and the ALAC Subcommittee on Appointee Selection. So we will adopt the agenda.

We would like to congratulate our Chair, Humberto Carrasco, for his excellent work and effort together with ICANN on the Internet technologies, and thank you very much for that. So Mario, please, can you confirm that Bartlett is already connected on the call? And if that is the case, Bartlett, you have the floor. You can go ahead. Thank you.

MARIO ALEMAN: Thank you, Maritza. We will now give the floor to Bartlett Morgan. He's on the English channel. So Bartlett, please go ahead.

BARTLETT MORGAN: Hi, everyone. This is Bartlett Morgan. As was mentioned by Maritza, I am an incoming ALAC member appointed from the Latin America and Caribbean region. I was seated at the last ICANN meeting in Abu Dhabi, and I have a two-year term to sit on the ALAC and to contribute to its processes, which in real terms is policy advice on behalf of the At-Large community to ICANN.

In practical terms, I have about 10-15 minutes today just to give everyone sort of a bird's eye view of some of the major public comments which the ALAC have decided to comment on, have decided to not comment on, and which may need us to make a decision on whether or not we are going to comment on them. Just broadly, further potential public comments which may be coming in the near future.

Before jumping into the details of it, I think it's important to provide context. Coming out of the LAC review, the ITEMS review, I think one of the points which came out which many persons can agree with is the need for persons in the ALAC to be more mindful of how we manage our resources. There are a limited number of persons within the ALAC, and so we simply can't properly comment on every single thing that arises in the ICANN space.

Now, with that in mind, there are maybe about eight potential matters which are up for public comment right now which will require our attention, potentially. No decision has bene taken as yet as to whether or not we will in fact comment, but these things are open for public comment. And as an aside, I should mention that even outside of the official ALAC response, individual committee members from At-Large can very often either opt to be the penholder on behalf of the ALAC sometimes, or in their own, individual capacity.

Now, without further ado, one of the first things that's up for public comment which is of interest to us potentially is the draft PTI and IANA Financial Year 2019 Operating Plan and Budget. Just to provide some context, as most of you know, most entities like ICANN, or just

[corporations] in general, will have different sort of budget that you use and different ways in which you allocate your resources.

What this topic is looking at chiefly is how the budget should be allocated for two very important aspects of the core work of ICANN, which is, one, the Public Technical Identifiers – which is the PTI – and the IANA, which is the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority. In real terms, the PTI is what sort of actually operationalizes the work of IANA, and so the two things are related.

Now, [inaudible] make a decision on this on the PTI's budget in January of 2018, and then the following month in February, they'll need to make decisions on the IANA budget. And so if this is of interest to you, then I'd encourage you to pay close attention to the draft operating plan and budget for those two.

Now, moving past that quickly, the next issue which is open for public comment right now is the ICANN reserve fund. The reserve fund is fairly interesting, because it's been [an aspect] for effectively ten years now, and the idea behind the reserve fund is, as many of you will appreciate with organizations of this nature, you have your operational funds which cover matters like your day-to-day expenses, your payroll and so on, and then you'll have the reserve fund which serves the purpose of covering unforeseen matters or unforeseen circumstances that you couldn't necessarily plan for in definite details [very often.]

And so the idea behind this review is to give consideration to whether or not the reasons or the rationale that we had in place when the reserve fund was put in place ten years ago, whether or not it should

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remain the same, or if we need to have a new rationale for it. And certain basic practical matters like, for example, the target level, how much, what percentage of our operational budget should, for example, be the reserve fund? These are practical issues that go to the core of actually running ICANN. It's not what some would describe as a [security] issue, but it certainly is a very important issue since it goes to the root of how we work.

Now, I should mention that comment on this closes fairly quickly. Today is the 20th, and we therefore in theory have just 10 more days to make a decision on this and to get the ball rolling. Now, the other ones which I want to mention just very briefly are the IDN implementation guidelines. The IDNs are what we call Internationalized Domain Names, and a working group was put together to more or less come up with some guidelines. And they've already gone out to public comment, they've done some more work, and now they have come back out for further public comment. I'm sorry, I think there's someone on my line. [inaudible] heard right now.

Yes, so as I was mentioning earlier, it is now back open for public comment again. Oh my goodness, I think we have a connection error here, I seem to be going off a bit. Am I being heard?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Bartlett, I can hear you.

BARTLETT MORGAN: Perfect. Thank you. Okay, great.

So my time is actually running fairly short by my calculation, but I just want to go through a few more which I think may be of greater interest to the LACRALO community. Quite a few of them have to do with the Cross-Community Working Group on Accountability Work Stream 2. Now, as many of you will recall, when the IANA transition was going on, we as a community split the work into two working groups.

There was Work Stream 1 which dealt with those matters which were of immediate importance and had to be dealt with in order for the transition to take place, and Work Stream 2 had sort of de facto been a sort of [inaudible] of different matters which it was deemed by the committee could be dealt with post-transition.

Within this Work Stream 2, there are a few different working groups or subgroups rather, which have been working on different aspects of ICANN's accountability. One of the chief ones is on diversity, and another very important one is on the ICANN's office of the Ombudsman. In addition to that, there's also the Work Stream which deals with jurisdiction. Now, those of you who were in attendance at the last meeting will recall that the jurisdiction issue has become and remains a sort of hot button issue.

If I may give my personal view, I don't know if it's necessarily something that the ALAC should be commenting on given our mandate to consider the end user interest, but that is just my personal view at this point, and I think the important thing is for those of you who are interested in that issue to pay close attention to the work of that working group, and the others in the Work Stream 2 as well.

Now, I have I think maybe three or four minutes left, and so I just very briefly – I know there's a lot of information here, I just want to cover some potentially upcoming public comments that may be further down the line. Some that may be of interest to us are the Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice Review Team. Apparently, new sections to their report are going to be drafted, and I guess those will be made available to us for review and comment as a first step towards putting together their final report.

In addition, there's also the question of the new gTLD auction proceeds, and that's a Cross-Community Working Group, and I think their initial report is going to be up for public comment sometime within the next maybe three months, and so potentially, that's something for the At-Large community to get involved with as well.

Now, there are some others that I'm actually going to post some of them in the chat, but in the interest of time, I'm going to cut my presentation short there. Thank you all very much for your time.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much, Bartlett, for your presentation. We will take some questions form the audience. I see people with their hands up, so if not, we will continue with the next presentation. Thank you very much, Bartlett, for your presentation. I see some comments on the chat, so you can post your comments on the chat.

Is there any comment or any question for Bartlett? If that is the case, please go ahead. Is there any question or any comment? If there are no questions or comments – I see no one requesting the floor, then

Bartlett, thank you very much for your presentation. We will share the links on the mailing list that you have shared on the screen.

And without further ado, I would like to give the floor now to our next speaker, Javier Rua.

Sorry, Renata has her hand up, so Renata, you have the floor. Go ahead, please.

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: Can you hear me?

MARITZA AGUERO: Yes, go ahead, please, Renata. We can hear you.

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: Thank you very much. I would like to make a comment.

MARIO ALEMAN: Renata, sorry for interrupting you. I believe that you're talking on the AC room. The AC room is in Spanish, so for our interpreters to be able to interpret what you say, you can speak in Spanish, or else if you're going to speak in Portuguese, you can join the Portuguese line. Thank you.

MARITZA AGUERO: Renata, please go ahead.

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: I will try to speak here on the AC room. Well, I would like to say that there is a comment on diversity. It is a good opportunity to speak about the participation of indigenous groups, because this is a really new At-Large program, and the idea of increasing diversity within ICANN is something complex, if you will. We need to take into account vulnerable groups or underserved groups, if you will. So this is a very important comment to take into account, because new markets may be placed in other communities or in indigenous communities, and we need to take into account language as well. Thank you.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much, Renata, for your comment. If there are no comments or questions, then I will give the floor now to Javier Rua for him to provide us with an update on our meeting in Puerto Rico on domain names. Javier, go ahead, please.

JAVIER RUA-JOVET: I hope you can hear me. Thank you very much for the invitation, Maritza. I feel like home as before. I am here in ALAC on behalf of NARALO, but as you very well know, Puerto Rico is in sort of a sisterhood with Latin America and the Caribbean. To provide you with some background, as you probably remember, in the meeting held in Hyderabad, the meeting was actually going to be held in San Juan in Puerto Rico, and the calamity at that time was the Zika virus, and so this meeting was transferred to Hyderabad. But ICANN rescheduled that meeting, and it was postponed to next March.

For the time being, as you know, two months ago on September 20, Puerto Rico was hit by Hurricane Maria from side to side. This is about 100 miles, 160 kilometers. The island was really hit by the hurricane with 155-mile wind. It was a Category 5 hurricane, between 4 or 5. Five is the highest category of hurricane. And just before hitting the island, it was Category 5, and when it hit it, it was decreased to 4, but it was still a historic hurricane for Puerto Rico. We haven't received a hurricane this size in about a century.

So the hurricane really swept the island. It just destroyed the whole electric grid. It caused a huge attack to the telecommunications. But where are we now? Puerto Rico has now recovered 50% of its electric grid, we have drinking water, and so what happens with the ICANN meeting? Well, I didn't really attend the Abu Dhabi meeting because I still had a couple of issues here in Puerto Rico, but it was in Abu Dhabi that we received some very positive messages form the full ICANN community, from Göran Marby, the CEO, also from the Board who supported maintaining the meeting in San Juan in Puerto Rico, and also the community worked behind the scene helping and providing support. This included León and Rodrigo de la Parra. Everybody is rowing in the same direction. Also Rinalia who had her seat at the Board has worked a lot to help on that.

So the meeting was ratified for Puerto Rico, and it's still on. It's on, everything is working. Last week, we received here in San Juan Nick Tomasso from the ICANN Meetings group. He visited the convention center in San Juan and the surrounding hotels that they're all fine, and they are standing. So we could reconfirm that Nick's group was happy with what they saw, so everything is running.

So we're still standing, we still have the March meeting, and our plan is to have the best ICANN ever in history. Maritza has also asked me to refer to this issue being dealt with in the chat room and the measures that may be taken facing the problems of loss of electricity, communications and the Internet because of the storm, because Irma and Maria storm in the Caribbean, the Latin Caribbean and the Anglo-Saxon Caribbean.

So about a week ago, ICANN issued some sort of interpretation of the RAA, the Registrar Accreditation Agreement, and they basically interpreted sections 3.7.5.1, and they stated that these storms are extenuating circumstances that allow registrars not to cancel their registries that [expired] on certain dates. So this is a mitigation measure to protect people, and also ICANN is saying in this interpretation that this is an issue that may be taken to policy discussion to see how registrants can be [susceptive] as well.

We also discussed the measures that the gTLDs in Puerto Rico may have taken. .pr has adopted a policy that was established when the tsunami hit Japan, and this is to do with [determining] those states that were expiring September and October, so they were postponed to January, and in January, then any necessary measures were taken to protect people.

So thank you for your time. We are good, we are improving. Let me now add two Internet addresses on the chat room. The first one is the website created by .pr on ICANN61. We will fill in the information given by [inaudible] but you can still have a look at the convention center and the hotels. And the other website has to do with Puerto Rico's recovery

statistics in terms of electricity, drinking water, telecommunications, so you can see how every day, things are improving. Thank you very much, thank you for your invitation. It's an honor to be here with you in this call. It means a lot to me. Thank you and goodbye.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much, Javier. The information you have provided us is very important, especially because the ICANN Puerto Rico meeting is still on. We are going to take questions or comments. I don't see any hands up, but we are here, open to questions if you have them.

Our next presentation will be by Harold Arcos. Mario or Silvia, can you please tell me if there is any comment on the chat room that I may have missed, or a hand [inaudible]

MARIO ALEMAN: We have no hands up or questions on chat room.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you, Mario. Let me thank Javier again. He has taken part of his time to give us some information on this super important issue, and let's hope that we will increase participation in the next meeting in Puerto Rico. Let's now give the floor to Harold Arcos.

HAROLD ARCOS: Thank you, Maritza. I hope you can hear me. Thank you very much. This is Harold Arcos for the record, I'm in Caracas, Venezuela. We wanted to

provide you with a short summary on the first working session, actually Work Track 5 that is part of the policy development process working on subsequent procedures for the New gTLD Program. Let's go on to the next slide to provide you with some background so that we can understand where these work tracks come from. Some of them emanate from the general group, that is the general working group on subsequent procedures. Just based on each of the factors that we need to consider in this Policy Development Process.

So there are five of them. One of them is for the general part, and there's the regulatory part, that is Phase #2. Everything related to legal or regulatory or the chain conflict. Then there's objections, disputes, all the procedures that are related to that. Then there's another one that we paid a lot of attention to, and these are Internationalized Domain Names. And of course, all the issues related to the technical and operational aspects.

What we're going to deal with now is Item #5, Work Track 5, that is geographic names at the top-level domain. I'm going to post a link where you can have a look at the five working tracks, and then you can have a look at them more in detail if you so want.

Let's now go to the objectives for this group. This Work Track #5 is dedicated to the generic names at the top level, and our intention is to develop consensus-driven recommendations, because this is sort of an implementation guideline on the issues that we are going to analyze.

So the structure will be made up of coleaders. These coleaders have been appointed by each of the organizations, the SOs and ACs that are

involved, and of course interested, in these geographic names in the TLDs. The people who have been assigned by GAC has been Olga Cavalli, by the ccNSO it's been Annebeth Lange, by the GNSO, the person adopted was Martin Sutton, and from the ALAC, Christopher Wilkinson was appointed to carry on these tasks.

This may be a right time to say what Alan Greenberg as ALAC Chair has shared with us, and this is a call that was ending today at the beginning of this call at 23:00 UTC, calling on any volunteer from any of the five regions making up ALAC to state their interest in being liaisons. ALAC was interested in having at least one person per region to be able to help liaise between each of these meetings and ALAC. That is to have an additional point of view to add to all these people that are directly involved.

So let's have a look now at the timeline. As you can see there, from November this year until April 2018, we will have a very interesting challenge. We will begin with the deliberations, and then in April 2018, we will have a preliminary report to the full working group. It's not only the Work Track 5, but it's actually for the full working group. These reports will have certain considerations, and then in June 2018, the report needs to be finalized, and it has to be posted for public comment. So all of the details should be [published] by then so that by June or July 2018, we can start the public comment period, and all of the interested parties have received the information that they want. Then by November 2018, in about a year, we will be talking about the final report that should consider all the public comments, and then we will get the final report that is already mentioned by December 2018. This will be the complete final report. This timeline has been sort of a

surprise for us. It's a very tight timeline, and it's actually a very significant challenge for the [inaudible] we will have ahead of us.

We will now stop at another important point, significant point. These are sort of a summary of all the presentations that was a guideline for us in the first meeting. I shared it with you at the time, so you can check the broader [version] at any time. And as for the problem statement, there are two lines where we recognized that the rule stated for the names required some changes, or at least a consideration for the change. This is based on what we call the Applicant Guidebook.

Then another important aspect referring to geographic names again in the top level, what we're saying is that the whole community is very [inaudible] so that's why each of the ACs and SOs has appointed members to be liaisons and provide reports. These have been continuous efforts as you very well know. The recent information on this that we have not found the right way to coordinate a solution. This is just part of the statement that the ACs and SOs are providing. There's another important factor that we'll talk a little bit, is the work plan.

INTERPRETER: We cannot hear Harold any longer.

MARIO ALEMAN: Harold, I think you dropped. We will try to call you again in a moment so that our [inaudible] that we will need to wait for one minute more.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you, Mario, for the information. Harold is typing on the chat room. Please try to contact him, because we don't really have a lot of [time]. Otherwise, we can just take a question maybe, or maybe there is a hand up or a comment on the chat room. I think Ricardo made a comment, but we will have to repeat it when Harold is back. Harold, [inaudible] you're ready, so please goa head. Harold, are you on the line? We cannot hear you.

HAROLD ARCOS: Can you hear me now? Okay, so let's summarize. Let's discuss now our work plan. Our work plan was based on the comments that we had during the ICANN60 session. We considered a risk-based approach. What does the risk-based approach fix? We want to identify those risks, we are trying to prevent [inaudible] apply some mitigation measures, and then review the mitigation measures again [inaudible].

So this first work session was very controversial, because some people believe that one risk-based approach actually implies more time, time that we don't really have available. There were questions with trying to configure or to [inaudible] some kind of strategy or method to collect information to assess the risk, to have metrics for policy development, then there were some people who believed we need to asses this risk-based approach so that we do not leave the interests of the consumer outside simply based on specific considerations.

We also need to configure the IDN factors, these International Domain Names, and most of the principles that we discuss in these sessions will probably have an impact, so we need to consider how they will be

accepted and how they will be addressed. So this implies that Work Track #4 that deals with this issue will need to have some kind of interaction in this regard.

So these were some of the topics we dealt with. We probably need to reflect the alpha-2 term. This is a term that we used to identify standards. These are just the two-character standards, and there [inaudible] charter between [inaudible] the ISO 3166, but this alpha term is also used in other kinds of standards.

So this is in general the clearest effort to provide a summary on the value of this Work Track #5, because it is associated to many of the issues that we have read about and what we have been hearing in the region and in At-Large. So considering the time we have, Maritza, I am open now for questions. I see some very interesting comments. Ricardo, it would be very important that [Juan Manuel] and other colleagues who were in the meeting can give their point of view, because it will then be nice to know the point of view of our colleagues to have a constant follow-up. Thank you, Maritza.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you, Harold. We did have some comments on the chat room. Harold, please don't leave. I just want to know if there was someone from the region that was – as [Ricardo said] that EURALO and AFRALO have candidates, Juan Manuel says that a call for members and observers of this Work Track #5 is still open. Could you please answer these questions?

HAROLD ARCOS: When it comes to the volunteers, people volunteering to work within the group and to be a liaison, for that, the term closed today. And as Juan Manuel is saying, the other way in which you can participate is as a participant or as a member, or as an observer. So that is still open. You can access the webpage. I will be sharing this information with you right now, and you can subscribe, you can indicate your interest in being a member of this work track, or you can be an observer. This is still open now when it comes to the call made by ALAC or made by Alan Greenberg. I believe it is now over. It will be finishing today at 23:00 UTC, and ALAC will be selecting one liaison per region. So this is the working method that was set forth by ALAC to participate in this exchange of ideas. Thank you, Maritza.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much for your comment, Juan Manuel. Could you please confirm that the term is over? We will discuss this in our mailing list. We are running out of time. But in any case, I see Juan Manuel. Juan Manuel, would you like to make any comment? Would you like to add something else to Harold's comment? Please be brief. Juan Manuel, have you got any comment? Go ahead, please.

JUAN MANUEL ROJAS: Maritza, no, I just wanted to say that it was not a question, it was just a comment. The call is still open. And I also wanted to mention that, as you said before, any person who would like to be part of this needs to know the working tools, and this will be done tomorrow morning because there will be a workshop for communication tools of the

working group, so they will be discussing the communication tools, the work methodology. So this call was first carried out on November the 14th, but it will be repeated tomorrow morning, so for all participants to learn about communication tools that are being used within the working group. Thank you.

MARITZA AGUERO:　　　Thank you very much, Juan Manuel. I know that the next meeting of this working group will be on November the 29th, right? So I would like to thank you for your presentation, and now, we will proceed with the next item on the agenda, this is the update on ICANN60. Now we will have Heidi, Heidi will be updating us on budget issues. So Heidi, please go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH:　　　Thank you very much, Maritza. Hello, everyone. I'd like to mention three issues related to the budget. The first that I've put into the chat is the Fiscal Year '19 Additional Budget Request workspace, and this, as many of you know is the annual fiscal year request process that ICANN provides funds for advisory committees, supporting organizations and stakeholder groups for requests that they put in for additional activities.

The process is going to start on December 15th, and the At-Large has an additional level. They go ahead and work through the ALAC Subcommittee on Finance and Budget, and so that process is that if you have a request, please work through your regional leadership, then they will work with their members on the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, the FBSC, and then the FBSC will review all the requests

that come in. If they have questions, they will send them back to you so you can clarify some of those questions, then the FBSC will again review all the requests.

They'll discuss which ones will go ahead and be submitted to the ICANN finance controllers, and those that will not be, then there's an internal process for review which then goes to the Board. And by the time that the fiscal year '19 budget is approved, the Board normally approves the fiscal year '19 additional budget requests. The reason I'm saying that is that the process is going to begin in about two or three weeks, and it's time to start thinking about some of the requests that you might have.

The second point is that there is a call for members of the Finance and Budget Subcommittee. I've sent that to the regional leadership and to the [three] members on the ALAC. The Finance and Budget Subcommittee is made up of one ALAC member from each region and one regional person. Normally, it is the regional leadership, the Chair, the secretary. But again, it's up to them to decide who that is going to be. Now, those are the official voting members. There can also be nonvoting observers. So even if you're not selected to be part of that group, you can still contribute to the discussion as an observer. The deadline for that is the 24th, coming up this week, end of the week.

And then the third point are the fiscal year '18 budget requests. Those are the ones that were approved, and Silvia, perhaps you could put in the Fiscal Year '18 Additional Budget Request Implementation workspace. Basically, we're about halfway through the fiscal year '18. LACRALO has two additional budget requests that were approved. The first one is for a second part to the LACRALO assembly that took part in

January of this year, and so that is being planned for the next several months. And the process you're seeing with the various working groups on that is making good progress towards that.

And then the second additional budget request for this fiscal year is a request for development of leaders and training for that. The thoughts on that are to produce a video on the new ICANN Learn platform that can help LACRALO leaders be developed, so that is also being developed, and they're both likely to take place around the time of the Puerto Rico meeting, and we'll be providing more information with your regional leadership as the time draws near. Those are my comments. Thank you very much.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much, Heidi. When it comes to mediation, I will speak because Humbert is not on the call, so this will be carried out next year. We are moving forward with the Governance Working Group which is really important for this mediation process. We're also working on the creation or the formation of the future council for LACRALO. In this case, we have Sylvia Herlein Leite. She's the Chair of this working group. But these are the pending topics in relation to the mediation issue. These are some of the topics that we have been discussing, and we have discussed these issues extensively in our calls.

The last item on the agenda – and I will speak about this because I am now taking the floor – is the work with ALAC members. We have called – when I say "we," I mean Humberto and I – ALAC members, and we have been talking to them, and we are now materializing, realizing

those activities. We are working hand-in-hand with ALAC members so as to create working groups with information that they have. And this is really important.

And based on the e-mails that we have been exchanging and circulating on the mailing list, in those e-mails we see different topics, and it is important for the community to participate in those topics. So we will resume this activity. We will begin again to discuss, to talk to these ALAC members and discuss topics with them so that we can create a new working group and to circulate this information on the mailing list. So the idea is to discuss those topics with the working group because they are knowledgeable about these topics, and they have information.

We will discuss this topic on the mailing list. We will provide information to the community. We will provide information on this initiative to the community, of course. And this is one of the topics.

So now, I will give the floor to Renata Aquino. She's already connected from the beginning of the call, so she will speak about a very important topic, a very relevant topic, and this is the Indigenous Ambassadors Program. So we are now receiving applications. Renata, you have the floor. Go ahead, please.

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: Thank you. Can I speak in the English channel [apart from Portuguese?] So I'm speaking by the English channel.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We hear you, Renata.

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: So I will continue in English – in Portuguese, sorry. The Global Indigenous Ambassadors Program, you can go to our page, our program. This program was launched with an ambassador from the Latin American and Caribbean, Ruben Hilare from Bolivia. In addition to Ruben, two other ambassadors participated in this addition: Geoffrey Blackwell was one of them. It's important to mention that this program is pioneer. I believe in global communities of digital rights and Internet policies, we are pioneers in this program when [inaudible] regional program, the idea of this global indigenous program that only the United Nations had before.

So it's a very interesting program, because it shows that we have Internet policies for indigenous people. The ambassador from Bolivia works with the Aymara language. He was contacted through Facebook to help Facebook to transform it into a global platform capable of providing indigenous language. So it was the first time that Facebook launched this program. This was launched in an indigenous community through this ambassador.

And more importantly, this is a community effort. I'd like to thank very much Heidi, Maritza and others who helped in this program, mentoring, showing the path of LACRALO. They helped us with materials, they asked for information. I'd like to thank you very much for the help.

I know that it's not easy to understand those who do not know indigenous community what is the objective of having indigenous communities inside ICANN. We from the program faced some

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challenges to make the communities understand, but this group can help a lot in many things. Just to start with, universal acceptance, IDN, market studies in Latin America that did not include the impact of indigenous community, and even issues related to intellectual property to the creation of [inaudible] in communities, and now this is discussed in the Work Track 5 of geographical names.

We should imagine a world where we must think about the future of the name Cherokee for instance. Cherokee is a brand, it's a car in the U.S., so how this group work this issue, how they face this challenge? It's a very interesting thing. It's important for ICANN to face new challenge and to include these groups. We already have in the next meeting in Buenos Aires the ambassadors proposed new people who could contribute. I see there's a question by Lito, "Do these indigenous communities use our Latin alphabet when writing their native language?"

Yes, Lito. Aymara in fact can be Latinized so to say, can be written in the Latin alphabet, but they have the symbols. There are other alphabets or scripts that are not included in the current domain system. They are very interested in the IDN. They were very interested in the sessions in ICANN60 about IDN and universal acceptance. The members of the Aymara community said that they have networks of schools, healthcare centers, and our ambassadors from the U.S. have media networks, they have TV channels, they have radio stations, they have a large network of organizations that are included.

So it is interesting to see that LACRALO's work affects their community. So it will be interesting for them to know how to include them. They

were very interested in participating in the workgroups. [I participated] in the second selection which was selection for Puerto Rico. Rantanen, he was a fellow that you see here on the screen. It's the first time that an indigenous person was selected as a Fellow. We'd like to recall that the only indigenous people who participated in ICANN meetings were from NARALO.

Matthew was the first person to be selected for the Fellowship program, so I'd like to – Mario is sharing here the Aymara Internet Community. Go there and get to know how many organizations are articulated behind these sites. Sometimes, local governments are included. So we hope we have new workgroups related to this issue. We hope this community participates more.

I see my time is almost over. I would like to say that I spoke about this program in other places, so I'd like to thank you very much to have shared this information with you, and if you have any questions or comments, I'm available. Thank you.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you, Renata. I think we have a question from Lito on the chat room. Please be very brief, and I'm going to read it, and if you can please, respond very quickly. Lito says, "Do these indigenous communities use our Latin alphabet when writing their native language? [I'm] thinking about an IDN maybe for the future."

RENATA AQUINO RIBEIRO: I just dropped the Portuguese channel, so I'm going to speak on the AC here in Spanish. As for Lito's question and the comments that we see here on the chat room, well, yes, they are very interested in the IDN. They want to make the effort to transform domain names into something that is usable. They want to adapt the Internet for the indigenous communities.

The most important thing to understand is that there is a sort of an [articulation of the] organizations, and sometimes these organizations deal with several indigenous languages. So there is a whole universe of contributions and collaboration, and I'm open here for more comments or questions.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you, Renata. Thank you for your participation again, and we will now give the floor to Jose Ovidio Salgueiro so that he can discuss the NomCom issue. Jose, please go ahead.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Mario, can we please check if Jose Ovidio is online?

MARIO ALEMAN: I think he was muted. Go ahead, Jose, please.

JOSE OVIDIO SALGUEIRO: I hope you can hear me now. Good evening. I'm going to be very brief. I'm going to discuss the NomCom 2018 issue. The NomCom was

established in Abu Dhabi two or three weeks ago. For this year, we're going to choose seven positions. There have been three positions for the Board for three years. Here at the Board, we have two Latin American representatives: León Sanchez, he's an incoming member, and Lito Ibarra who is ending his period, but he can be reelected. These are the only two Latin American members, and this means there is a very good opportunity for another Latin American person to access the Board based on the diversity we want to include.

So there is a position for two years with no right to vote, there is only a right for issuing an opinion. There are also positions for ccNSO, and there are another two positions in ALAC: one for Europe and one for North America. This year, there is no position for our region because in the last NomCom, Ricardo Holmquist was elected, and he's now about to start occupying this position. However, we will choose someone for the next NomCom, for the 2019 NomCom. So we can invite the members of our region to actively participate, to prepare for that position in 2019.

The application period will commence between December and January, and it will go on until March when we open the official period. I will let you know so that you can apply, and at the same time, I want to say that if you know someone who can meet the requirements to hold any of these positions, they can contact me so that I can make the process easier. They just need to express the interest to do so before the elections. That's all I had to report to you on the NomCom 2018. If you have a question, I'm open to receive them.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you very much, Jose, for this information. Jose, can you please repeat what is the deadline so that we can mark it?

JOSE OVIDIO SALGUEIRO: The period will be open between December and January. I don't really have the exact date because it hasn't really been determined, [that] from December to January, the period will be open, and it will be in effect until March. I understand it will end right after the San Juan meeting, so that's what the period would be like.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you very much. We will now give the floor to Sylvia Herlein if there are no more hands, and I actually see no hands up. So thank you for this information, we will now give the floor then to Sylvia Herlein. She will discuss the working group of the future LACRALO Council. Sylvia, you have the floor.

SLYVIA HERLEIN LEITE: I hope you can hear me. Good evening to you all. I'm going to address what we're doing at the working group for the future LACRALO Council. I have been present here before providing you a brief summary, and now, what I want to say is we started to work in May, and we are completing our work. This work is associated to the first meeting held in Los Angeles in January where the mediators group, so to call it, advised us that we start a group in LACRALO to have mentoring sessions.

The group should have the function of adopting some kind of mentorship or some kind of support to the members of the community,

and this is how we started to work. The working group has 14 participants, and we have held a number of meetings that we are now completing. Our idea is – just to provide you some background – one week from now, we will have completed our work, we will send the rules that we prepared for translation. These are the rules that include the objectives of the Council, what are the functions, the mission, and we have also structured the formation of the Council, its duration, and the requirements to be a member of the Council.

As I said, all of this will be completed in a week. We will send it for translation, we will then post it, and it will be open for public comment. After the public comment period, the staff will help us organize a webinar so that the whole community can participate and give us their feedback on this Council. So probably by mid-December, we will inform you of the dates, that then by mid-December, we will have this webinar.

Anyhow, we already have a webpage. This is what you're seeing onscreen right now. So you can start reading. It may be a bit confusing, because in the interest of being transparent, we have included all of the stages of this document, and so there are a few things that are repeated. We have added the conclusions that we reached at the end of each meeting. We have added them on the webpage that you see right now.

So we are going to send a summary to the mailing list so that we can polish it and you don't get confused. So if you go to the end, to the bottom of the page, you will see the document that has already been approved by the working group, and now we are just making a few

adjustments, but basically, this is what you can see on-screen. I don't know if you can scroll. Maybe.

The working group has already approved this document. Again, we're making a few adjustments, and we have even approved the name of the Council. It's going to be a Council Emeritus. We have studied the name, there have been a few comments on the name itself, but actually, the name itself is not the most important part here. What you're seeing in orange now is the document that was approved by the working group.

So if you're interested, you can already start reading it, and you can send – thank you very much for this green arrow – any concerns that you may have. But then again, the staff is helping us organize this webinar, so everyone can ask the questions that they may have. I'm open now for comments. I see people are saying goodbye. We are having just a few minutes, so I'm here for your comments or questions. Thank you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you very much, Sylvia Herlein, for your participation. It was very explanatory. Unfortunately, we don't really have more time to continue on this. Let me just say that the issues that we dealt with on this meeting have been the most relevant issues that we discussed at the ICANN60 meeting.

So on behalf of [Humberto] and myself, we adjourn this meeting. Thank you very much again for all the participants, the speakers, the staff, the interpreters for their support. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, wherever you are. This call is now adjourned. Thank you.

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