MARIO ALEMAN:

Hello, everyone. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the NARALO Monthly Teleconference call on Monday, the 12th of February, 2018, at 20:00 UTC.

On our participant list, on the English channel, we have Eduardo Diaz, Jonathan Zuck, Glenn McKnight, Gordon Chillcott, Bill Jouris, Tom Lowenhaupt, William Michael Cunningham, Ron Da Silva, Joly MacFie, Susanah Gray, Loris Taylor, and Adrian Schmidt.

We have no participants on the French channel.

We have apologies from Alfredo Calderon and Alan Greenberg.

On behalf of the interpreters, on the French channel, we have Claire and Jacques.

On behalf of the staff, we have Gisella Gruber, Silvia Vivanco, Claudia Ruiz; and myself Mario Aleman doing also the call management.

I would just like to remind to everyone to please state your name before speaking not only for interpretation, for transcription, but also for our transcribing services that we have included today.

With this, we can begin the call. Eduardo? Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Mario. I guess we're recording, right? Are we?

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MARIO ALEMAN:

The recording is actually on. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay, thank you so much. Welcome, everyone, to our February monthly call of 2018. The items on the agenda for quorum, we'll find out once we have everybody in the call for those. The first item that I have in item number three is everyone wants to have an objection of not following this agenda. If not, we go to item number four in [result] discussions.

This here, for the people that haven't seen this before, these are discussion items that we have discussed last time, which we end up with some kind of decision or report, what have you. So, all these things that you see here in red are going away and the ones that are in yellow or orange are things that we have to wait for some kind of outcome, something like that. So, we call them doormats, meaning they're put away for a while and then we'll look at them in three or four months ago and then see if we can bring those discussions back. If not, they stay there.

So, we closed an item about the ALS voting reps and alternates. We asked people to do their SOI updates. So, whoever hasn't updated them, please do so. There's a timetable that Glenn and I are putting together for all these things that we have to make sure that we know the deadlines, so that we don't miss anything and we can inform the region about programs and for anything that is important for the region to know.

This thing about meeting recordings has [inaudible], something that I want to do, but I had this as a very low priority so I'm taking that away until I do this offline with Glenn or somebody else that understands how this can be done. Then we will bring it back here for your consideration.

A couple of [inaudible] reports that were done for [inaudible]. Those reports were done. ICANN 61, there were two open travel slots. I'm sorry, somebody ... Item 13, [inaudible] travel slots. There were two slots for [inaudible] after calling the NARALO [inaudible]. So, they were given to ALAC and they have been taking care of that.

Last time, we had a webinar about net neutrality, which I think was very good [inaudible] information last time about Tijani Ben Jemaa, who is in charge of the working group putting together webinars for At-Large and was asking for topics for 2018. So, if you have any topics that you want more information, send a note to Tijani Ben Jemaa and he will make sure that he will prepare some kind of webinar to explain that topic, if it applies. So, I'm recommending to move this to close and dormant if I don't hear any objections. I will move forward. Again, this is [inaudible].

MARIO ALEMAN:

Excuse me, Eduardo. Excuse me for interrupting the call, but we're having some issues with your audio line. It's cutting off. Perhaps in one of the breaks you could basically connect to the bridge and that would be better.

It seems we have lost Eduardo. In the meantime, Glenn, would you like to keep with the call?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yeah. I sure can.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Can you hear me?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Oh, go ahead.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Sorry. Can you hear me now? Can you hear me better?

MARIO ALEMAN: Yes, we can hear you better.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Where was I when I got lost?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Eduardo, you mentioned item 013.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Item what?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Item 013.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Then, after that you couldn't hear me.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

No. Your sound quality was poor. So, carry on.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. After item 13, 21 is about the webinar that we have [inaudible] about net neutrality. Item 022 is a call for people in NARALO, if you're interested in a specific topic, you can send Tijani Ben Jemaa a note about that topic and he will make sure that he will try to put together a webinar about that topic, if it relates to ICANN and he can [inaudible]. That's what [inaudible]. I recommend to close this item [inaudible] and put the other ones dormant. If I don't hear an objection, I will move to the meeting discussion order in the agenda number five.

So, these are discussion items. The first one is the ALS decertification. I don't know if you know, but ALAC voted to decertify the following ALSes in NARALO. [American At-Large] who was a US ALS, [Open Media] from Canada, and Visually Impaired and Blind User Group which was from US. The decision in ALAC to decertify them after we send this recommendation was ... There was a vote with no objections, so it passed. These ALSes are being decertified [inaudible]. That means that they can reapply with no [inaudible] going back to us.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Excuse me, Eduardo. Eduardo?

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Yes.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Before you move to the next section, you went to quickly. William did have a comment on one thing. He says carry on now, but if you can take a look at the chat or the hands up, I tried to get your attention. Just to circle back. He wants to talk about the item not to put to dormant the net neutrality session. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Oh, okay. Well, William, please can you talk?

WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM:

Can you guys hear me?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Yes, we can.

WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM:

Very good. The issue is redoing that snippet, as you guys know I think this net neutrality issue is continuing to be important. That was it. Didn't want to say that we've done it, therefore we discussed all there is to discuss about net neutrality. We'll never talk about it again. We did our little webinar and that's it. I wasn't happy with the webinar. As you guys know, I haven't been happy with this organization for not making a

policy statement about net neutrality. So, I do want to come back to that.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Thank you, William. If you want to bring this issue other than a [inaudible] webinar, you are welcome to do it. We can put it back in the agenda for next time. So, please, send me a note offline of what it is you want to discuss net neutrality and then we'll go from there. So, if it's a policy statement or anything like that, then we can discuss it again. Net neutrality has any pros and cons, which make it a very good debate. If we want to bring it back, and you think it's important, we can re-discuss it. Is that okay?

Okay, let's go to the next item. This is discussion item number 24. Glenn, I'm going to give you the floor and we're going to start with the [inaudible] webinar on [10 minutes].

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Okay, great. Thank you, everybody. The Education Committee is looking for topics. The first topic we had, we had a guest speaker, Mark Buell, who has been the researcher. He's the regional director for ISOC. He's been the person that we had come in the last meeting to talk in a short period on net neutrality, as we just discussed.

Our next speaker is one our unaffiliated members. It's Kristen. I just want to confirm that she's on the call. Kristen, can you speak up?

[KRISTEN]: Hello.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Hi. Okay, Kristen, we'll just queue up your slides. Eduardo, can we

proceed with Kristen's presentation?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay, go ahead. I don't have control. Okay. They're there. So, Kristen,

please.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. Go ahead, please. Thank you.

[KRISTEN]: Hi, everybody. My name is [Kristen Dome]. I am the Senior Brand

Intelligence – Legal Brand Intelligence for LookingGlass. We are a cybersecurity company. I specifically deal with brand issues, especially

in domains. ICANN is an organization that we think does a lot in that. If

you can go to the second slide, please. Can I control this?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Mario, Kristen is asking can she have control?

MARIO ALEMAN: She has control. She's a presenter. Yes.

[KRISTEN]:

Okay. Thank you, guys. So, typosquatting, or people may know as cybersquatting where people ... Cybersquatting as a domain relies on people using typos made by Internet users when inputting addresses into web browsers. People think that it's just a brand or trademark problem, but it's not. It's also a security problem.

There are many reason why people would cybersquat. One is they hope to sell it back to brand owners, to make money from the advertisement, to redirect traffic from competitors, to redirect to the brand itself – a lot of people proactively ... Lots of brand owners proactively register so that they can protect themselves from typosquatting.

Some people use typosquatting for phishing schemes. Some people use typosquatting to install drive-by malware and revenue-generating adwares, harvest addresses, e-mail addresses. Or companies proactively block negative commentaries or [inaudible] typo domains. Some people just use it to express their opinions.

Recently we did a research for a Fortune 500 company on typosquatting of their brand. In the last year, we reported ... These are just typosquattings. Not even domain name infringement, where they use the domain name and add a certain statement to it, like "ICANN is here." Typosquatting, we delineate typosquatting as in they'll spell "CANNI." These are just domains that we identified as typosquatting. All together, we found in the last year for them, 637 typosquatting domains. 281 were hosted and 356 were not hosted.

Of the typosquatting domains, a large percentage of them were parked domains, 89% were parked domains and 51% of these domains

redirected to competitors or redirected to click-sites or redirected to for-sale sites. But, a vast majority of the domains were redirected to [inaudible].

The scary thing about these domains, these parked domains, they're hosted nearly 76% of these hosted domains were hosted on servers that were tagged with vulnerabilities such as spyware, malware. Our system is able to [inaudible] to see what these servers IP addresses or domains have on whether they're [tagged] with vulnerabilities and 76% were tagged with vulnerabilities. [inaudible] spyware. Malware, command and control. So, we delineated between malware, command and control, and malware in general and 41% of these hosted domains were hosted on servers with malware with command and control, which means that they can take over, depending on how it works, they can take over other computers.

So, it's not just a brand issue. It's all these vulnerabilities that end users are exposed to when they access these typo domains.

As I mentioned before 51 of these domains – these typo domains – are redirecting end users to other sites. Some are advertising, like Crate and Barrel and some are malware sites, HTML sites that support malware, supports spyware, and other deceptive sites. So, if they were to click on and download, these end users would be exposed to these malwares and these other vulnerabilities.

Typosquatting isn't just a brand issue. It's a security issue. End users are exposed to scams, malware, data [inaudible]. And companies – legitimate companies – who host these domains, their domains on

hosting sites, are also exposed to this malware and these vulnerabilities, too.

I think it's an issue that we should look into on how ICANN can help regulate hosting companies and registrars on how they're ... Not just the servers that they're on, but how these companies are allowed to redirect domains to other advertisements or other sites that could put end users and people who access these typo domains by accident. So, there has to be some legislation to help end users in this case.

Currently, we work with a lot of hosting companies and registrars and they're willing to take down sites that are phishing sites, but sites that redirect so quickly because the hosting companies, usually a lot of them are registrars, redirects advertisement to different sites so that whenever we access a typo domain, not all of them all the time, it comes up with something that we can complain about. There just has to be some kind of regulation to protect people who are victims of typosquatting.

Do you guys have any questions?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

We did have a question earlier on from William in the chat. He typed, "What do you mean by not hosted? Redirects?" That's his question.

[KRISTEN]:

Not hosted means that they have no active DNS, as in it just comes up as an error. Most hosted URLs actually open or they have active DNS that actually opens to a site or to redirect to different advertising sites,

whereas not hosted sites just don't come up at all. They're just

purchased, but they're not live.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: I do have several questions. First, thank you so much for this. Why

somebody will want to buy a DNS, which is kind of typosquatting and

not host it? it doesn't make sense. They just want to keep it?

[KRISTEN]: Why would somebody buy a domain and not host it?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes, for this purpose. Yes, that is my question.

[KRISTEN]: Well, people earn money for parked ... When people use a parked

domain, they do their own money – I mean, they do make money if they

let advertisers use it. So, over here. These sites, when they redirect or

when they have the click sites, these sites pay you for the parked

domains and most parked domains, these typo-squatting domains, are

domains that are, if pursued by their domain trademark owners, would

be reverted to the main owners because these types of domains are not

... Violates UDRP. They can be taken down by UDRP. Again, UDRP is real

expensive. Not really expensive, but to some, it is going to be expensive.

All these typo domains, according to UDRP, can be reverted to the trademark owners, that then if you pursue it too often, the trademark owners will have ... They'll be like Google, being titled as trademark dogs and people who are too aggressive in their trademark protection.

Most of these sties are not ... Are hosted, but they're parked in that they're not advertising anything. They're just using it for ... They earn money per click that they get. What happens is they are hosting on domains that have been tagged with vulnerabilities or they'll be used to redirect to bad threat actors who are using these domains to install spyware, malware, so that the end users are vulnerable to these spywares and malware.

In the recent years, since telephones or mobile devices have become more frequent, these websites have command and control malware from mobile devices. About 24 of these domains are hosted on servers with command and control for mobile devices. So, when people use their mobile devices and access these typosquatting domains, especially when you're fingering and the screen is so small that typo ... You commit more typos on your mobile devices. 24 of these domains are — 24% of these domains are on servers that have command and control malware for mobile devices.

I know I do online banking on my phone and a lot of people do it, too. But, by accessing these typosquatting domains, we may be subjecting ourselves to these vulnerabilities.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

I have another, the last question, and then I will [inaudible]. You mentioned cybersquatting and phishing. What is the difference? I'm not sure what the difference is between phishing and cybersquatting. Are they the same? Are they different? Thank you.

[KRISTEN]:

Typosquatting is when people purposely choose a domain that the public can easily mistype for big brands like Google. Notorious. People notoriously register domains that are typosquatting for Google. So, instead of Google, they'll spell Goggle.com. That's typosquatting.

Phishing, they're not mutually exclusive. Some people [inaudible] would purposely register a typosquatting domain so that put phishing sites on there. Phishing sites are sites where they pretend to be the official site, like Google or Yahoo, so that they can get information from the public. There are a lot of iPhone phishing sites where they'll put iCloud. They'll spell iicloud or applecloud.com and those are not owned by Apple, but people think that they're owned by Apple and on these pages they'll say username and password. So people will be entering their Apple username and password on these sites, so that they can access. [inaudible] will use the username and password and go to an official Apple site. They have Apple Pay now or a lot of other services by Apple, so they'll use the person's username and login to access that person's account and use it for whatever they want to use it for. Or they'll sell it on the Internet.

That's why typosquatting can be used for phishing, which means just to get data from the public, using a site as their own site, pretending to be an official site to get information from the public.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Sorry, I'm just conscious of the time. We have ten minutes left and we have two other questions in the queue and there's probably others as well. I want to turn first to Eve if that's okay with you, then Joly. Go ahead, Eve. Okay, I'll try again. Eve, we don't hear you. Can you start speaking? Okay, she doesn't seem to have a mic.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

[inaudible] Internet connection.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Okay, so let's just scroll back and see ...

EDUARDO DIAZ:

I think she doesn't have [inaudible].

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Okay, I'm going to turn to Joly in the meantime and maybe she'll get

audio.

JOLY MACFIE:

I think Eve and I are on the same point, which is again where does the line draw between typosquatting and spoofing as a thing? Especially I'm

thinking of people using UTF replacements, so that you think you're on a site and you're not. My further question is how much is this defeated by [inaudible] things into their browsers that will recognize this and knock it down?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Thank you, Joly. Back to you, Kristen.

[KRISTEN]:

How much is Chrome ... I'm sorry. How much is Chrome defeating typosquatting?

JOLY MACFIE:

I'll go again. Typosquatting, as I understand it, is just putting a simple spelling mistake or something like this which is so people type in the wrong thing, you catch them, [inaudible] doing something where you actually spoof, like a website, is a different animal. One is just taking advantage of people making mistakes, whereas the other one is a bad actor. It's a bad act. So, if you include both things in your list of typosquatting here.

[KRISTEN]:

Yeah. Spoofing is a type of typosquatting. Typosquatting is an overall general, whereas spoofing is using typosquat to conduct a bad act. Whereas typosquatting is ... Sometimes people typosquat so that they can hope that the brand owner will purchase their domain. Whereas spoofing is using it for a specific ... Typosquatting for a specific means.

Chrome ... I would hate to say Chrome and other browsers, they may identify some but they may not. The other issue is it's just not just the spoofing that we're worried about. It's the spyware and all the vulnerabilities that are on the same servers and people are being redirected to ... Other domains that people are being redirected to that also makes them vulnerable.

Spoofing, like phishing, is something that a lot of people are aware of, but how about all those domains that you get sent to that automatically downloads malware on your site or if you access a certain account or if you put your domain on the same server as the 76%....

JOLY MACFIE:

To interrupt you, I understand that my answer is yes you do include all of this in your list of 800 or whatever domains. Perhaps you'd move on with the presentation to what are your solutions or whatever.

[KRISTEN]:

Okay. I mean, I'm putting in a problem that hosting companies and lots of times registers who own these hosting companies are exposing people to these vulnerabilities. And when we do go to them and ask for them to be removed, because they own the domain or they are hosting it on the domain, a lot of times we get shipped to ... Their solution is we would have to go to ICANN for UDRP, which is a solution during that—

JOLY MACFIE:

So, sorry to ask a question, but does not URS make this easier?

[KRISTEN]:

Well, URS does do with the new TLD, but a lot of the old, the dot-coms. A lot of these incidents are not just on the new domains. Even with URS, it's like 30 days. So, during this time, when we identify that this is a domain that needs to be taken down, or it would be referred to URS or UDRP. So, there has to be some kind of new regulation or there has to be some kind of something that we can make a statement about that says this is an issue for end users.

Again, I'm coming to you guys. This is the problem that we've been seeing. These are the vulnerabilities that we've seen people experience. And not just companies, but people – customers – that were asking for help or intervention or a statement from the ICANN community.

JOLY MACFIE:

Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Great. Thanks, Joly. I want to circle back to two comments. Eve has been typing in and I tried to transcribe it. I'm not exactly sure on her question, but she says in the chat, "Hi, my question is, LookingGlass, proposing a particular piece of model regulation." I'm not sure what you mean by that, Eve, but perhaps Kristen, you understand that.

[KRISTEN]:

We're not proposing a model regulation. When we did this research, we saw that there was a problem in how we're dealing with typosquatting

and the kind of vulnerabilities that we see the community – not just the companies, but the people who are accessing these typosquatting domains are being exposed to. We want people to know about it. There should be something that, as an ICANN community representative, there should be something because ICANN monitors these domains and UDRP and URS, especially for domains that we've seen that have such high risk factors. There should be ways that we can stop them. Some registrars ... I'll say GoDaddy. We work with GoDaddy. If they see it's phishing, they'll help us take it down. But, because the way that these typo domains are redirecting to different advertisements or different vulnerable sites, we can't ... 80% of the time, we can't always point to these sites as bad sites because sometimes they're redirecting to legitimate sites.

But, again, is that okay either?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Thank you, Kristen. I think we are just about out of time on the webinar, but I would like to thank you for your presentation and we'll share the slides. Because I'm a replacement for Alfredo for talking about the webinars, as you see in the chat, Tom has agreed to be the speaker on ccTLDs in the April session, so look forward to Tom's presentation. We'd appreciate a set of slides, Tom, as well, for that.

Our meeting in March will be face to face. We haven't determined the agenda yet, so we hope to see lots of new faces face to face. We will keep you informed on whether or not we'll have a webinar during that

session. It'll be up to Eduardo. Perhaps we'll discuss that a little further. I'm going to turn it back over to Eduardo. Thanks again, Kristen.

[KRISTEN]:

Thank you for having me.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you. Thank you, Kristen. Thank you for your presentation. I just wanted to make a small comment about what happened before was even worse than what she explained. Before, you could buy a domain and you could get your money back in a month, all your money if you didn't like the domain. Well, there were people buying thousands of domains and putting them in hosts and computers. The domains that got the more hits, they used to keep them and the other ones, they returned them to ICANN. So, we had these huge amount of names coming in and out. Well, ICANN made a policy of returning the money [inaudible] one dollar and that stopped. Just a comment. Thank you, Kristen, again.

The next item is the fact that we have two CROP trips available and there are some deadlines that are coming up. I want Glenn, who is our outreach person and the CROP expert to explain what those deadlines are and the things that need to be done I believe May 5th of this year. Glenn, please.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

So, our fiscal period ... Thank you, Eduardo. What we have is we have five CROP trips and the first one we did, it was the ARIN event, ARIN 40,

which was in San Jose. Followed up with Judith who is doing the shadowing of NASIG, our first North America School of Internet governance which will be in March. The next one, William will be attending the ARIN 41, which will be in Miami. Following that, the two next ones after that will be the National Digital Inclusion Alliance Conference which reaches out to First Nations or North America Indians in particular. Loris Taylor has expressed interest to attend that event in May. The last one, for the fiscal period, is RightsCon. And RightsCon will be in May. We do not have a name yet for that, so that's open for someone who would be interested in attending RightsCon.

Now, if you are going to apply for this, it's an eight-week window that you have to complete the application. So, if you are the RightsCon ... By the way, Joly, it's in Canada. It'll be in Toronto. Due to the fact that many of the countries were sort of in question whether or not they'll be able to get into the States, because normally RightsCon hits States wise, which is in San Francisco, which it was last year or in Europe in Brussels. So, they had to actually decide on something non-American for this year. I spoke to the organizers of that. So, I'll be attending RightsCon, but I don't need the trip because I'm local. It's an hour's drive for me.

So, Joly or anyone else who is interested in RightsCon, I believe Judith might be doing a presentation there. We'll [inaudible] follow-up on that.

So, that's the status. Right now, the process is you have to give eight weeks notice. But, in addition to attending, you have to do a report and the idea is to make some leads and follow-up on those leads, so they're either an ALS or an [inaudible].

Back to you, Eduardo.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Glenn, for that report. I encourage anyone in the region to please take advantage of this program. It allows for us to go out there and do some outreach, and at the same time, it's a good way of networking and people [inaudible] and what ICANN is all about. So, I encourage anyone to please use this type of forum. Thank you so much.

The next topic, we have our NARALO hot topics. I don't see John Laprise on the call, so we'll probably have to skip this for the third time. So, let's move to the next one, [inaudible] survey.

This is something we're going to do at the end of this call. Staff wants to know [inaudible] leader survey about the real-time transcription you can see on your screen, for those who are connected to Adobe.

Glenn, you're running again. Do you want an update on the outreach in general? I know we're doing something for ICANN 61. You're putting something together. Do you want to talk to us about what is going to happen there? This is item 17 on the discussion list. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Okay. I'm happy to do that. As many of you know, we had a fantastic general assembly where we all got together. That won't happen [inaudible] every three years. We'll probably see you guys at the ATLAS 3 that will be in Montreal next year.

In terms of each of the ... What has happened over the last couple of years is that each time the ICANN is within region, ICANN has been generous to provide us a space. It's a booth. It's literature. We invite other RALO volunteers to be there as well. So, we'll be having a booth. We have been collecting the pictures of anything I've had over the many, many years and I'm asking again verbally that if anyone has any historical pictures of RALO participants of us speaking, of the community itself, we'd really appreciate it for the slide show.

Mario is the responsible staff person for the booth. We'll have literature. I'm hoping we're going to track down some label At-Large pins and we'll have the larger buttons that Eduardo will be arranging to have locally produced. So, that's one of the outreach efforts is that daily breakfast, breaks, lunch and afternoon every day during the ICANN event, we'll be pounding the pavement. And if somebody comes along and wants to talk about LACRALO, we'll have their literature or EURALO, whatever. But, we're relying on our people who are going to be there and it doesn't matter if you're a secretary, chair, ALAC person. We're expecting you to sign up to put some time in.

We're not expecting blood from you. We're expecting you to put in an hour each day. That's not unrealistic. Fitting in between the other schedules. We expect you to put a little bit of effort. So, myself, and Judith and Eduardo, Alfredo, there's a number of people that will be putting some time. So, that's number one.

Other outreach efforts that are indirect is Eduardo is going to be doing a little reception at the end of our School of Internet Governance, which

will be on Friday, right, Eduardo? We'll provide details for anyone who is coming for that.

Also, Eduardo, would you mind talking about not the showcase, but the celebration? It's on a different time of the day. Can you talk about that?

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Sure. We're jumping to item discussion number 16, which is part of the ... I was under the impression that we will not be able to get to this, but I'm glad we're doing most of them.

We're going to celebrate the 10th anniversary with NARALO at ICANN 61, even though the anniversary is in 2017 because NARALO was founded in 2007. We're going to celebrate it in 2018. It's like I celebrated my 50th year when I was 40. I'm just kidding.

We're going to have the latest thing that I saw in the e-mail. We're probably going to have this Wednesday. I saw [inaudible]. It probably will happen in ... There's an open terrace on the second floor. It probably is going to happen there. It's going to happen at noon. We're going to have some kind of ... Probably will get us a TV, [inaudible] running in the background. We probably are going to have some people talking about how great NARALO has been for the past ten years and so forth.

Then, I'm going to bring some street music from here from Puerto Rico to sing some songs for us, some special songs, which I'm going to explain what they are.

At the end, we're going to end up with a Happy Birthday type song on a different rhythm with them singing, and [inaudible] singing. I believe we are going to have a cake, but I'm not sure that's going to happen. This is all in draft form. I don't think we're going to be livestreaming this, but whoever is here in Puerto Rico, please make sure that you look for this event on the schedule and visit us. That's all.

Do you have anything else to add, Glenn?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Yeah. I just have one quick thing. Tomorrow afternoon, at 4:00 to 5:00 we will have a pre-ICANN readout. Chris and Joe will be at the event talking about pre-ICANN 61. Stephanie Perrin will be talking about GDPR. We'll have a GAC person speaking and [Marita]. That will be livestreamed and we'll have the Adobe room open as well. So, I sent that all to the list as well [inaudible] Skype. That's me for a quick update.

Just one last comment. Eduardo, I do see that [inaudible] wants to do an update as well.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

On the [inaudible], okay. Joly?

JOLY MACFIE:

Just to say that if you wanted to stream the [inaudible] there's no reason why not. If you could set up a Zoom feed from the room, I could relay it out to the livestream quite easily.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Joly. We try not to live stream it this time, but once we finish, all the sessions will be recorded and put online for people to look at. Thank you for the offering. I know you're very willing to do that, so thank you so much.

Glenn, if you're done, I'm going to go to the next item, which is the additional budget requests. Heidi, I don't know if you're in, if you can give us a summary of the final discussion that we had on this. Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yeah. What's happening now is that they've been submitted and they will now be – this week, actually, be reviewed internally and then it will move up into a process where then the board will approve it or approve those that are going to be accepted when they approve the Fiscal Year 19 budget, which is going to be in May. It will be a few months before those are officially approved. Thank you. Eduardo?

EDUARDO DIAZ:

I was muted. I'm here. I was muted. So, I guess we will probably have to wait until [inaudible] final the results on this request are. I'll include this [inaudible] until then. We got [inaudible]. Can you tell us what's happening in that front? Thank you. Leah, we cannot hear you. You're muted. Okay, while you get connected to the Adobe or phone line, let's go back to item number 23, which is the item about the NARALO elections.

The NARALO elections, this is just a head's up. The elections are coming soon. We're going to start in April with an open call for nominations on April 4th. Everything is a draft form. We're making sure we have the right [inaudible] election pages.

I just wanted to give you a head's up of the dates. The election is basically going to run during April and they will end up at the beginning of ... By May 9th we will be able to have the final results. Please make sure you participate, and if you're interested.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

If I may. Just to state that we do need to coordinate with the ALAC and the other RALOs. We decided about a year ago that we're going to sink all of the elections. We haven't scheduled the times yet. We haven't developed the timetable for the elections yet. We'll try to come as close to those that you set out, but we need to see if all the other RALOs are on board and that the ALAC is on board as well just for that. Thank you so much.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Oh, okay. Thank you, Heidi, for the clarification. I was under the impression that all the [states] were in synch with the other ones. That's a question I asked I believe in the meeting that we had the other days with all the RALOs. Maybe I misinterpreted.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yeah. No, we haven't started that yet.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Anyhow, this is a draft. The idea is the elections will happen sometime during this time and the dates might change. In any case, I encourage every one of you to participate and nominate to yourself or anyone else who would be, different positions that will be available for the elections.

I have Judith. Please go ahead.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

My question is regarding as to Heidi and whether she can give us any visibility on whether CROP is going to be going ahead in FY 19 because there were indications that it may be not going ahead and maybe cut off, and we need to plan in the outreach if it's not. [inaudible] going to go ahead and figure out what we're going to do. Maybe Heidi can comment on that.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yes. What I can say is that there is going to be some FAQs presented and they should be posted. If they haven't been posted, they should be posted shortly. I believe a different or an updated version of the Fiscal Year 19 draft budget is going to be posted, or again it may have been posted today. I do encourage you to look for those documents. I think those will explain the answer. Thank you so much.

Again, just keep in mind that this is a draft budget at this point. It depends on what the comments are, etc., for that. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Heidi. Thank you, Judith. I read that Leah cannot She's having a problem with her microphone. In any case, we will be able to write [inaudible] agenda.

We have about five minutes to end this call. Heidi, or Silvia, or Mario, if you want to do your survey, go ahead.

MARIO ALEMAN:

Yes, certainly. We are going to start doing the survey for the real-time transcribing. The first question is the RTT picture off the Adobe Connect room is part of the pilot. Please select one of the following options. Number one, very useful. Number two, helpful. Number three, less relevant. Number four, not helpful.

Okay, we're casting some votes.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Ariel, e

Ariel, everybody could see it? it's on the right lower side.

MARIO ALEMAN:

Yes. I believe we have gotten an irresponsive, close actually [inaudible].

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

There will be a web survey at the end of the call that will be given to the other people who couldn't access it will be able to vote. All people on the audio bridge.

MARIO ALEMAN:

Yes. Thank you, Judith. For question number two, please self-identify all categories that describe who you are. Number one, a participant with disabilities or specific needs. Number two, participant with English as a second language. Number three, participant who doesn't speak English. Number four, participant who has limited or low bandwidth. Number five, all of the above. Number six, none of the above. Thank you very much.

Question number three. What benefits do you get from accessing the RTT feature? Choose as many answers as necessary. Number one, greater understanding of the topics. Number two, ability to understand the session more effectively. Number three, provide the correct spelling of technical terminology. Number four, able to more fully participate and engage with the presenter. Number five, all of the above.

Thank you for casting your vote. We're going to move to the next one, number four, which states: how accurate was the live RTT including participant names, terminology, etc., on a scale of one to five?

Thank you. Moving to question number five. How useful was the RTT for this call in general, on a scale of one to five?

Question number six. Where else do you think RTT should be required? Option number one, working groups. Number two, taskforce groups. Number three, ad hoc groups. Number four, RALO calls. Number five, ALAC calls. Number six, [inaudible] calls. Number seven, other constituencies. And number eight, all of the above.

Last but not least, question seven. Any other final comments? You can please type them in the pod here and we'll be able to see them.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Mario, that's the last question?

MARIO ALEMAN:

Yes, it was the last one. Eduardo, over to you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay, thank you. It was my mistake. William, I didn't see your hand before. Can you go now and say what you have to say before you have your hand up?

WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM:

Real quickly. I just want to find out where we landed on item 3, the 2018 ALS voting rep and alternatives. Thanks. Going back to the beginning of the meeting. That was the item 003. [inaudible] closed. We can talk about it offline, but I just want to find out where we are on that because we postponed that for several meetings.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Glenn, you have your hand up. You were doing this.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

William, I've asked Alan to report on this. He's the representative. I'm sorry, William, I don't see Alan on the call, but we'll have an adequate

answer for the next call. I'm sorry about that. I will CC everybody on my answer from Alan.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. William, what I'm going to do is open this up again just to followup next time with this item. Thank you.

We are at the end of the call. I want to thank everyone for being here today. Glenn, you have your hand up, but I don't know what you meant to say before.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

I have a very quick. I'd like to welcome Adrian. He's our new unaffiliated member from Alberta. He's one of the recruitments that [inaudible] did at the ARIN 40. I'd like to welcome him to this call.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Oh, okay. Thank you. Adrian, welcome to the NARALO group. I hope to see you involved with many of the working groups in ICANN. Please call me or send me a mail offline if you have any questions to me, to anyone in the group, to Glenn.

Susanah, you have floor. Oh, gone. Okay. Well, we are done. Thank you so much, everyone. Next time I will ... Yes? Who is this?

SUSANAH GRAY:

I just wanted to ... Leah is having trouble with her microphone and I don't know if you caught her message in the chat that says please direct

people the ICANN NomCom website so that people can check that out because they're in the recruiting phase – for any interested candidate to go and have a look there. It's icann.org/NomCom2018.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Everyone got that? Thank you, Susanah. Thank you, everybody. I will hear you again in a month. Thank you so much for being here today. Bye-bye. This meeting is closed, thank you.

MARIO ALEMAN:

Thank you, everyone. This meeting has been adjourned. Please remember to disconnect all remaining lines. Bye-bye.

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