MARIO ALEMAN:

Hello everyone, good morning, good afternoon and good evening. Welcome to the ALAC Subcommittee Outreach and Engagement Call on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> of March of 2018 at 17:00 UTC. On the call we have today on our English Channel Glenn McKnight, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Daniel Nanghaka, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Gary Campbell, Yrjo Lansipuro, Ali AlMeshal, Cheryl Langdon-Orr and Alfredo Calderon.

We have no participants on our Spanish Channel and we have a received apology from Isaas Maposa. On behalf of the Staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, Sieanush Vadanyan, Andrea Glandon, Gisella Gruber and Mario Aleman myself doing the call management as well. On behalf of interpreters on the Spanish Channel we have Veronica and David.

I would like to remind to the participants to please state your name before speaking, not only for transcription purposes but also for our recording. With this, I will turn it back over to you, Glenn, you can please begin the call.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Great, thank you, welcome everyone, especially those who are up very late or very earlier. I'm the interim person for this call, Dev is the normal chair. We have not selected a chair of this committee yet, it's something that we'll be discussing at our face to face meeting coming up in a couple of weeks. Welcome everybody to the call and the purpose of our call is to bring everybody up to speed on what we're doing as RALOs in terms of outreach and engagement.

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We've had a lot changes, especially with the purposed CROP cuts and the committee itself is looking at a statement and Daniel will be talking about that later in the meeting and then we have Adam Peake has joined as well, he'll be talking about the academic outreach and activities. We are also going to be circling the wagons on particular outreach activities that we'll be doing at the ICANN 61 so that's our scope of our project.

Before we start, is there any other changes in the agenda that anyone wants purposed so we can actually add it into the agenda? Anybody, you can just put up your hands. I just saw a note from Heidi, Heidi just saw asking to join into the group, just about 30 seconds ago.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Perfect, thank you so much.

GLENN MCNIGHT:

Let's move on the agenda then. There's no other changes, I guess anything else could be in any other business assuming we have time. We're going to talk about outreach at the ICANN 61 to start off. I have to state that Eduardo has sent his regrets so I'll be talking about some of the activities, if could start off and I'll be turning to Olivier right after my topic.

One of the things that we do on a normal basis now with the ICANN villages that have a RALO outreach, if you recall APRALO had one on the left-hand side of the village, we're having one, NARALO, but it's really actually for all the RALOs be involved with. Mario has created a

spreadsheet for people who would like to volunteer, we're populating the timeslots and that's the early morning, before the session start, the breaks and the lunches. Those are the main areas that we need for signup, what I've done is people that have approached me and said, "Yes, I want to volunteer."

And so, what I did is I've populated, in the interim the spreadsheet or people who said they would like to volunteer. If you haven't approached me already, please go ahead, look at the spreadsheet that Mario has posted, add your name be more than happy to have more than one person to match up. If you would like to be at the booth with someone else that you know.

This is a call out to all the RALOs if you have any EURALO brochures or mail cards or buttons or anything you have, please put it in your bag and I'm going to turn to Staff on this, I don't think they're bringing any stuff, except I think they're bringing some NARALO stuff, I just turn to Silvia or Heidi, am I correct on this, that any of the collateral material for the RALOs will not be brought?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

We are going to bring the NARLO flyers which are prepared in English and Spanish. The others were already distributed in different meetings to all the RALOs, as you said, whoever still has some with them, they are welcome to bring them to Puerto Rico because they are sending another print out for other RALOs.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you. I take it some of the people that are on this call have stock pile. I try to make sure at the IGF that we did not waste any of the literature, we stuffed as much as we could people so they had them and I know the people with APRALO we're taking stuff to their APRICOT meetings, I'm not sure if they have anything left over.

One of the things we found that at the IGF Geneva, we had signup sheets and so we had over approximately 130 people said they were interested, again we were giving away power converters so, one of the motivations there was to get a power converter. This time we're not really giving much away, we may have a little bit of swag.

Eduardo's working on some local candies and giveaways but we're probably not going to have the number of people signing up because they're not going to get a piece of swag, little energy converter but we found that it was extremely hard to read these signup sheets and so what we've decided to do is have a link to the signup sheet as Mario has just posted and so Mario will have a laptop there and again, any of the other volunteers if they have their iPad or computer with them, when you're talking to someone, just take the time from them or you can do it yourself on their behalf, just fill out the form so we have a spreadsheet based on person, their email, the RALO they're interested in, so you'll be able to have a follow up sheet of any contact. That's one of the innovations that we put into place.

Also, Vanda will be coming with DNS and women banner as well and some literature to promote that event as well. We should have a few pieces of sundry material on the booth as well. Again, that's going to be

in the village, that's one of the outreach activities we'll be doing at the activity.

Any questions on the booth or being involved? I think it's pretty clear. Before I get you, I just want to talk about our 10/11-year anniversary event on Tuesday but I'm just going to respond to Heidi. Yeah, we're going to have a television at the booth as well. I provided 197 pictures for Mario to do a loop and we also have a loop of a short video on the sign ceremony that was done back in -- the point is last year we have a GA in New Orleans, we focused on issues in hot topics that were relevant to NARLO. We really had a focus with Aaron last year, so we really didn't celebrate of 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary which is normal, so we put it off till this year because we knew we were returning back to where we actually signed our MOU.

We have a bunch of stuff that we'll be doing in celebration of our 'anniversary'. Let me talk about the anniversary. The anniversary celebration is going to be on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>, it will be from 12 to 1:30 and that will be in the Terrace Room and we're going to be local food and local music. It's a non-alcoholic or booze event, to keep it inexpensive and it's in the middle of the day, it's probably prudent not to have any drinks. This is a deviation from our showcase model but it's a midday event on Tuesday and we should be able to look at what we can do in alternative. This has been organized by Eduardo.

There's a long list of -- I believe Silvia you sent in -- yes, the update on the agenda, we're going to have a lot of speakers. It will be a great, fun event and please be there. Again, as always, provide if you have anything that yellow/gold to wear for the event it'd be great. As Heidi

says, wear you some dancing shoes, the band is going to be marching us in and there will be some lessons on Puerto Rican dance steps, so be prepared for dancing. Any questions on our celebration? Moving along really well. Olivier, go ahead.

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

Thanks Glenn. Is it the Terrace Room or is it the Terrace because the Terrace, I've looked and it's like an outdoors venue with some really beautiful plants and stuff?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Yeah, it's going to be a combination of some stuff on the inside and then most of the event will be on the Terrace. Any other questions? I believe Mario, can you show the invite? Yeah, so it's going to be street music that's been organized by Eduardo. Thanks to ICANN for sponsoring the event and also at the last minute we were able to squeeze public interest registry for some funds to go towards the event itself. It's a Terrace Broom, just for clarification. Again, that's from 12 o'clock to 1:30 on Tuesday, it's the lunchtime.

Any other questions? Okay, that's pretty straightforward. Okay, I'm going to turn to one of the major outreach efforts that will be done by Olivier. Olivier, can you talk about the NCUC event that's on Saturday?

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

Thank you very much Glenn. Indeed a few months ago I was contacted by Renata, the chair of the NCUC asking about doing again one of these joint outreach sessions and the same type of session that the one that

we had done in Copenhagen with Tatian and I leading whole group of people into two segments. Originally, we thought an afternoon but here it's for about 90 minutes or so. The first part of the agenda -- first I guess where and when. It's on Saturday afternoon from 1515 to 1625 in room 208BC. We'll be publicizing it very soon.

The agenda starts with first a little bit of the usual questions and answers about ICANN, what we basically call, how not to drowned in the acronym soup. The different parts of ICANN are and what's the difference between NCUC and At-Large, how is At-Large governed, how NCUC governed and this sort of thing and we might even touch into some of the differences we have regarding consumer trust in difference in points of views, consumer trust privacy, freedom of speech, this sort of thing. Second, the majority of the afternoon, a good 40 minutes will be spent actually discussing three policy topics.

Now, the topics were collaborated together and the policy topics ended up being GDPR compliance at ICANN, top down and bottom up and for this Aiden for NCUC and Holli Riche for the At-Large community will be touching on this and I understand that Holli is already in touch with Aiden, so they'll do a good coordination between themselves.

The second one is the GO names, that the new gTLDs procedures work track five and it's appended with the set of in the trenches because as we know this is quite a fourth topic with some very strong views held on main sides, for this we've got Robin Gross and I did ask Cheryl Langdon-Orr, but I didn't get her formal response, whether she could attend there. I hope Cheryl you'll be able to come back to me on this or perhaps even indicate now that you're able to do this.

The third one is the future of human rights in ICANN's policy considerations. Following on the whole accountability, cross community working group on accountability work track two follow up. There appears to be that in the future any policy topic that would be or policy development or policy commenting might need to have a human rights assessment attached to it. They'll be some discussion there with Colin Curve from the NCUC and Bastien Gosslings from the At-Large community.

Then finally we're got two more parts to this session. First is navigating the ICANN maze, how to get involved and that's a little bit on how to join PDP's, policy development processes, working groups and other processes, both from a perspective of NCUC and a perspective of At-Large. Then also, how do you grab the pen and get drafting? How do you become the pen holder? Again, each one of our communities has got their own ways to do so and so we'll be sharing the ways for any volunteers to be able to get more actively involved.

Finally, we'll just be looking at the whole leadership opportunities that we have in our communities, whether it's leading working groups or going on the ALAC or being involved extensively in region of ATLAGE organization affairs, RALO affairs, the opportunities at NCUC, opportunities in At-Large. Glenn with be speaking to us about his and also few words from double stakeholder engagement. At this point and time, we've pretty much finalized the program. It's been on the Google for quite a while.

We're also finalized an invitation which is linked from the bottom of the program. It's a great banner that Glenn put together. We're just about

to send this out to start getting all of the right people to come over to this session. The target audiences are very wide ranging, from the local academic to the ICANN fellows, the NEXT GEN and also the North American School of Internet Governance students that we'll be publicizing this to.

Also, the ORC is also there, organization of -- I can't remember what ORC means but they're also going to be in San Yuan, we'll also get something to them. Of course, each one of you are ambassadors for this, so please let everyone know about it and invite people to come over. Tijani is one the first speakers there by the way. Tijani will be what is At-Large and how is it governed at the beginning of the agenda of afternoon.

That's it for the time being. I'm open for any questions. I see question from Cheryl. When did I ask? I asked awhile ago. Let me see whether that's on my email out.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

While you're looking that up. Tijani, just one second before I turn to you. Only a few weeks ago, this is a mirror shell and it was really populated only by NCUC people and we have to kudos to Olivier by the twisting arms or just I didn't even know I was on this list either till just now, Cheryl I'm in the same company as you. Yeah, I'm happy to do that but if can ask a question before Tijani jumps in. Will this be actually remote participation or did you want this session videoed?

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

I really do not know about the ins and outs of that room. Perhaps I can ask and come back to you on this if that's okay. I sent the invitation by the way to all of the speakers on the 27<sup>th</sup> of February, so it's not that long ago I did mention this and it says, hello all. Perhaps most of you went, oh well, it's hello all, I'll just press delete. It's got a link to the agenda and it's got a link -- Tijani, Holli, Cheryl, Bastien, Glenn and we also have Sabastian and I don't know whether I also emailed Eduardo I'm not quite sure whether he took any notice.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Okay, Tijani, if you don't mind, Cheryl do you want to respond to that because it looks like it's relevant to you?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thank you, Glenn. Yes, it is relevant because there's been quite some time in mentioned on a number of elect calls, GAC session on work track five overlapping with this session or two thirds of this session, the first two thirds of this session with the ALAC session running in parallel so, I even wonder how long it's going to be. Nothing is impossible, whether or not we can work something, I'll have to have a look.

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

Thanks for this, Cheryl. I'm going to check out with NCUC because they obviously need to do the coordination on their side and if neither Robin or you are going to be able to make there then we've got a problem. That's nothing that we can't deal with at the time, we might need to reschedule, maybe earlier or later. If you can follow up, just let me

know when the exact slot is of the GAC, then we can WT5 with GAC then we'll probably schedule you later on or something. If it's towards the earlier part of schedule you earlier if it's towards later part, if of course you're willing to be in this topic.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you, both of you. If you guys can work that out, that would be great. Tijani, thank you so much for your patience, go ahead Tijani/

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Glenn. I am really excited about this joint activity between ALAC and SUC about outreach and engagement. We had not only Copenhagen we had also Abu Dhabi, unfortunately in Abu Dhabi Olivier didn't have a chance to participate for a long time, he came only for a short time but we had a very good discussion. They ask very tough questions and they tried to put me in the corner but it went very well. We answered all the questions and everything went good. This is a kind of activity that we have to foresee in the future.

Second point, I am sorry I was travelling, I couldn't contribute on the agenda at all but this issue of what is the difference between ALAC and NCUC, it is always oriented, showing that they are the civil society, they are for the public interest, we are not. This should be taken with a lot of care and I hope that we will not fall in this kind of dialog but it is even as we say in French [Participant speaking in another language], it's a dialog between people who don't hear anything.

I think that last time it went very well and we have to continue, don't have to have any fear, we have to do and discuss and show what we are, what we do, why we are like this. I think it is very good for us. The topic chosen, the two most hot topics in ICANN, the most hot topics in ICANN, because for a working five, even in our community ALAC, we don't have the same points of view.

I find that some people are trying to push of commercial interest, others are trying to push for political interests, government. Why do we not have to be on this side or the other? This is something that we have to keep and to emphasis every time we speak about this. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Great, thank you so much, Tijani, and I notice that Cheryl called you [inaudible] and I thought that was a great nickname for you, so thank you. I think Olivier has a response.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much, Glenn. First, I do need to pay tribute and kudos to Tijani who has been inherent part of each one of these joint capacity building sessions and has been very active indeed, including in Abu Dhabi, which unfortunately I wasn't able to attend during its full length but I did get excellent feedback that Tijani was there more than able to replace me in the room. It's really great to see this, I'm very excited to about the topics.

The difference between NCUC and At-Large is going to be interesting because they brought this issue forward and the question of course

there's a structural issue and there might be a different in the positions that we take on some of the issues and they're like Milton and Muller, so when Milton was listed there I was like, hey I want to be listed there too, cause Milton behind a keyboard is the different Milton to Milton in front of microphone when discussing things.

I expect this to be very positive, especially since everyone wants to avoid going around on circles in this. It's only 20-minute section and there's a lot of other things to go in there. It's just a very flat thing, of saying, the difference between this and that. They debate about civil society is actually not something that the NCUC has somehow brought forward, it's actually within our ranks in At-Large, that some in our community are not saying that there just internet user they're actually refusing to be tagged with the civil society flag, it's a bit of a non-issue I think in the wider scheme of things there and it's definitely something that we'll bring forward during that meetings. I think it's well understood among all participants.

At the end of the day we want to get, what is the aim of this whole thing, to get more people involved in our community and we know that when people get involved, they don't actually -- many of them don't make assurance, we have people involved in both NCUC and in At-Large and it's great for that because that gives us and give NCUC much more power of influence through various different avenues and I think that's a good way forward.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Great, thank you so much Olivier and I've attended these as well as observer and I have to stress this to this committee that this is a very important event in outreach engagement members should be attending this and your job, if you're not on the podium, please reach out the guests that are there, have a mitt full of brochures, talk to them about joining At-Large either as an ALS or an unaffiliate. Make sure that you have the agenda for the week and what topics they should be interested in coming to. Olivier, final comment and then we're going to be moving on.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks Glenn. I don't know what the setup of the room is going to be. I have a feeling it's going to be more like a townhall, round table event type thing. Please, one thing that I do have to ask, let's have enough At-Large people in the room. We don't want to have just Tijani and Cheryl and me and a couple people there in a sea of NCUC people and I know that we've got something that is scheduled against this at the same time in the ALAC.

There is a session that's going on at the same time so we won't have full force if you want in the room but Alan is aware of this and he's working out with Staff a way to have enough people that can come there and maybe if the two are not far from each other, move from one room to another. Thanks.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Okay. We hope the room is a little large and not as hot as the last time, I think that was Copenhagen one I should say, so we're doing really well.

I don't recall putting this next topic on the list and maybe Staff put it on and it would go back to you Olivier. The topic is on the discussion EURALO hot topics 2017 list, I don't see the applicability but perhaps Olivier did you add this or did Staff add this? If not, I'm going to skip this topic. Anybody have a comment on this?

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

I'm not quite sure. This might have been from in the earlier instance of asking to put this on the agenda when the topics had not been chosen. I'm not quite sure how that landed there, perhaps Staff can explain?

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Heidi, go ahead.

**HEIDI ULLRICH:** 

Thank you Glenn. That probably shouldn't have been there and that regional leadership meeting that is taking place at ICANN 61 will be discussing the hot topics across the RALOs there. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

It may have been an error. It's an important topic but it's just not on this agenda. It's probably landed there in error. I'm going to move on. Just going to give Adam a heads up, we're going to turn to Adam to talk about academic outreach and activities. Go ahead Adam. I don't hear you Adam, do you have audio?

ADAM PEAKE:

Hello, is this better?

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

I can hear you, go ahead.

ADAM PEAKE:

Thank you. Apologizes for any noise that came from sound. Olivier touched a couple of things I was going to mentioned and Siranush in the chat also mentioned about the fellows. I'll begin where I was going to begin the NCUC and At-Large session, as Siranush mentioned the fellows have a travel day on Friday, so they're available on Saturday and it's on their agenda to attend, so expect an audience of fellows which also happened in Abi Dhabi and I think was quite a useful interaction.

NextGen there travel day is Saturday so some of them will be arriving certainly by the end of the day, they'll be coming from main land and so you'll be expecting to see a few of those, it's not a requirement for them to attend but it's on their agenda and I expect some will be there.

In terms of local outreach, generally as Olivier mentioned, this is already or it might have been Glenn, this has been flagged to the organizers that the North American School on internet governance and the Abu Dhabi guys involved in organizing that have spent that around two their local contact and it will also be mentioned to the school on the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday before so hopefully we'll see some people from that. In general terms for us engagement, we're hearing that local NGOs are as you can imagine dealing still with many local priorities, local noncommercial organizations and there still working on the cover from

the events that happened during and following the storms for the last years, so we're not expecting large numbers of local NGOs to be participating but again the local coordinators have been helping to at least get information out but we're not expecting large numbers.

Certainly, for the events appearing on the Saturday I think we'll see a good number of fellows and that's not bad, it's a nice start to the week for them and it gives the At-Large and NCUC the opportunity to get in with the fellows first and there's a very good percentage of fellows within the fellow group. Something else to touch on coming up, so that's really what we have for ICANN 61 and not expecting the level of participation might have hoped for partly due local issues there. Generally, in academic engagement what we're seeing and this is really a report of what the GSD teams are seeing a rest the world is that we had a lot requests to go and give one off lectures and instructions on various issues around ICANN but what we're seeing much more of at the moment is a trend towards requests for courses and structured engagement, instead of a one off it's a series of issues that people are asking for information about.

The other North American School as an example is the growth in internet governance where it's ICANN Staff one way or another are asked to participate and also particularly the At-Large recently has been taking a role in leading these activities. The next event and I mentioned this to Olivier and some others is, forum in Geneva, this is the ITU event where they review the world permit on the information society and the action lines that come out of that have been something like about 14 or 15 different action lines on different topics were related to the

documents and so on and that takes places on March 19 to 23 in Geneva, the week after the ICANN meeting in Puerto Rico.

We will have a table for materials or ICANN will have a table for materials but it is a table rather than a booth, it's not a large table in other words, made a request to have EURALO and general At-Large materials on the table there, it won't be much more than three pieces from each group but we'll make sure that there is something to give away and we will discuss with people about the At-Large work. I think that's about it. Good luck with everything that's going on. Thank you.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Thank you so much Adam. Just a little comment, yesterday's call with Larry Strickland who we invited by the way to the school and Sally Wentworth, they acknowledged the importance of schools of internet governance and hopefully as Larry roles out internet governance programs he'll be partnering with many of us who are very active in the schools and so just to give you a some kind of timeline we have our school which is three days, prior to the ICANN event and actually each of the students will have a backpack with loads of stuff.

We've gotten swag from ISOC and PRI but I'm bringing about 100 brochures and mail cards and whatever I can that I've collected over the time, At-Large in general. We've been sharing a lot of information on eBooks that I've converted in presentations from the work that Tijani does and capacity building. The students are going to come out really well informed, so we're quite excited from a NARALO point of view, getting really strong exposure of At-Large through the school.

The next school we'll do, in term of our timelines, will be just before the ICANN in Montreal which will be in late October early November in 2019. We'll be starting the planning process for that. Just a general comment. I want to open to any questions from anyone, in fact if anyone is going, probably Olivier you're probably going to be there as well, I'll be tied up at IETF and the ISOC board meeting in London at that time. Any questions for Adam? Olivier, go ahead.

**OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:** 

Thanks very much Glenn. As you mentioned the IETF is taking place immediately after the ICANN meeting. It's taking place in London and I happen to be the chair of the UK chapter of the internet society. I'm also unable to make it at the WSIS forum. That said, the cross community working group on internet governance, which I'm one of the co-chairs of, is organizing a session at WSIS forum on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> of March from 16:30 to 18:15 and the submission is a dialog on different cooperation models for approaches to internet public policy development. That goes along the action line 11.

We had a call earlier today and managed to put together a list of speakers that we'll invite and I might participate remotely because of being in London but I certainly won't be in Geneva. WSIS forum is a very interesting forum by the way and it's a pity that we have managed this year to send someone over there that most participants are from a government or an unusual background that we usually don't have access to, like either government or the sort Geneva crew of non-government organization but it's good outreach because it's over there than you mange to actually tell those people that what's going on at

ICANN is not totally what they read in some of the official publications

that come out of Geneva. We have a few people there, committee

members that are going to go anyway but ICANN doesn't have -- as far

as I understand, ICANN doesn't have any official sponsorship or

anything like that for it. I know there are several sessions that are

taking place, one with NCUC too actually. Thanks.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great, thank you. I did my first WSIS in 2004, I organized it with Evan

Leibovitch and myself. We had 30 delegates we organized, it was all on

Lenox certification process. Then all of us boycotted the next WSIS for a

number of reasons.

No other questions on that, thank you so much, Adam. I'm going to

turn to the next 10 minutes, Daniel's going to flow through the

document that he's been working on. As you all know the CROP funding

was one of the causalities in the cutback. I'm going to turn over to

Daniel, it's up to you, Daniel.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Daniel for the record, can you hear me?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Yes, we can.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you so much Glenn for charring this meeting and I think it's a very good privilege to at least have the opportunity of walking with the team [inaudible] and engagement, and also all the other members from the different working groups on the [inaudible] about the flushing of CROP funding for [inaudible]. [Inaudible] I'll just quickly go through the key highlights of the segment.

One of the things is that we realize that [inaudible] locations that ICANN appointed public meetings in various venues in this FY 19. And we [inaudible] there is a lot of [inaudible] support in [inaudible]. And so, [inaudible] historically, the FY 19 additional budget requests were in the corner of \$600,000; the FY 19 budget has been cut by more than 50%, and in the past many additional budget requests were rejected. It was suggested that CROP [inaudible] funded, so this leaves us with little or no slots for CROP funding for the next FY.

The [inaudible] engagement working group and [inaudible] plan to maximize the impact of outreach and engagement with various few interventions funded by ICANN.

Just speaking briefly of the different [inaudible] that have been achieved by the different RALOs, I'll just simply speak about AFRALO because like on the issue of AFRALO we've had a very good presentation at the African IGF that was in Egypt [inaudible] no funding from CROP. But [inaudible] impact that has been created by CROP within the region and the [inaudible] for the various regions, including AFRALO, and EURALO and NARALO.

From [inaudible] there is less impact that has come from LACRALO regarding the use of CROP. So if [inaudible] the usage of CROP by [inaudible] and we cannot strictly [inaudible] the impact that has been created by outreach and engagement. And we'll still need to reach out to potential individual members [inaudible] that the focus should be to engage individual members to join At-Large and also get involved in multistakeholder [inaudible] and also encouraging them to participate in the At-Large [inaudible] process. But [inaudible] will quickly update the outreach strategies for the different RALOs.

And so, through all this, a few recommendations came up and after several discussions on the document, the two recommendations that were made was that [inaudible] the CROP spending at the current level and [inaudible] cannot be used for travel and are limited to local outreach. CROP [inaudible] that benefit the ICANN mission and that flushing of the CROP in the next FY shows that [inaudible] less to the ICANN mission.

So through this [inaudible], I'd like to ask the floor to give feedback and also come up with [inaudible] recommendations on how we can go about outreach and engagement despite the fact that this is really [inaudible] the different engagement strategies and [inaudible]. Thank you, I'll just simply open up the floor for discussion. Thank you. I believe [inaudible] we have also gone through the document [inaudible].

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you so much. There's a number of issues you brought up and I think we need Staff clarification and I notice Heidi's hand shot up right in about the middle point of your presentation. I'm going to turn to Heidi first and then I'm going to turn to Tijani right after and we'll address the issues that you brought up. Heidi, please go ahead.

**HEIDI ULLRICH:** 

Thank you, Glenn. My comment was simply to say that we are planning on inviting the GSE team, including Sally and some regional VP's to a session on Saturday morning and one of the key questions that will be asked is given the fiscal year 19 draft budget likely elimination of the CROP, how do they expect that the ALAC will be able to continue their outreach and engagement activities at the same level and so what they have asked the GSC is that the specific of that question be slushed out a little bit. If you could contribute to that, so that we do have a GSE question WIKI page on this ICANN 61 workspace but that would be useful to do before that day. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you Heidi, that's excellent, if you can provide the details on that Saturday morning meeting and as you stated to get the comments in advance. Heidi your hand is still up, did you want to say something else on that?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

No, sorry.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Okay, thank you. Tijani, over to you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much Glenn. I may have a little bit different opinion of this issue of CROP elimination. There will be the reduction of the budget, it is true, this is here. Since there will be a reduction of the budget, for sure each constituency will feel it. We are the At-Large. We are [inaudible] only on this point of the CROP.

I think that the most intelligent way to address this issue to try to replace it as Heidi just said, but it is not enough what we ask for in the additional budget request; the request by [inaudible] that each vice president have or the RALO of each region. The discussion we'll have with Sally in Puerto Rico should be focusing on two things, first of all change the scope of the rules of this fund because now it is only to be given to RALO or some very light expenses or an activity. This should change to be extended to the role the CROP played before.

Second, the amount of 4000 per RALO is, in my point of view, not enough. If we can lobby to try to push towards having more than 4000 per RALO and we change this scope of the use of these funds, I think we don't need to fight for something that at the end we are not losing a lot. Don't forget that we may be losing other things, very important things. In my point of view if we lose one general assembly, it will be a very big loss. If we lose the summit, it will be a huge loss. We have to be cautious of how to address, not to try to lose but also how not to be against everything. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you, Tijani. I do hear you and I see this resonates with some of the emails I've seen from Alan as well. But I think I want to turn back over to Daniel and I believe he has a response. Go ahead.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

One of the things that if we look at the transition of CROP, before when it was a final program it transitions into a full program and ICANN. The fact CROP being in the core of ICANN, I don't think it is really very good for it to be fully eliminated for the next FY. Still, I also agree with Tijani when he says that the 4000 is not adequate enough.

How can we be able to [inaudible] on the current funding that CROP gets to be able to maximize impact within the region. [inaudible] that almost all the RALOs have [inaudible] together with RRIs, and the RRIs walk together with ICANN, so I believe that there is need for extensive discussions to come up with appropriate recommendations; the fact that already the budget has been cut, but can some changes be made to the budget [inaudible] this critical element of the core program of ICANN. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

I'm conscious of the time, we have eight minutes left and we have to also do the quick run around on outreach strategies. I'm going to table this and as Heidi has pointed out, we do have an opportunity to do feedback. I just want to say something in passing. I will be in Puerto Rico from the 5<sup>th</sup> on, so if anybody wants to get together and have breakfast or coffee sometime, we'll work it out. I think it's probably

prudent to have a chat before the Saturday morning meeting. Okay,

Olivier, over to you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks Glenn. Just two quick things. First, regarding the process on this statement, I do hope that whenever we write here, we'll be taken up by the ALAC and presented as part of the wider ALAC statement and I believe that is the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Secondly, I should remind you that the loss of CROP was actually pointed out by Ayden Ferdeline from NCUC, he kind of raised the alarm on this, several people raised the alarm but I understand that NCUC is also working on drafting some words regarding this so it might be good to share notes with them and perhaps -- I don't expect the rest of the statement perhaps to be aligned because they obviously are also looking for their own side of things and what's missing within the GNSO context.

Certainly, to refer to each other's statements on the CROP side and say that we're not the only ones to complain would be something to include in there. I do have concerns that on CROP for example, yet again we would just be given an answer, which is, oh well, is that all you have to complain about is, no travel to exotic fun destinations, that proves our point that the ALAC is only interested in travel and nothing else.

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Great, thank you. I believe Cheryl has a comment.

CHERLY LANGDON-ORR:

Thank you. Very briefly. Just on Olivier's point regarding NCUC raising the points on CROP. Aiden did vice-chair of the standing committee on budget for the GNSO council want to put a comment on CROP and also in the budget into the GNSO comment on the budget and that go significant push back, that is not anything that GNSO should be even supporting because GNSO budget should be focused on PDP processes and enabling its core business which is not outreach.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Great, thank you Cheryl, that's a very good point. I just pointed in the chat that due to the importance of this issue and it's having a lot of good discussion I'm going to skip the RALO reports and we'll do that face to face and very, very shortly in ABO, I'm going to turn to Tijani, go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much Glenn. What Olivier said is very true. This is the image of At-Large. I don't want -- you know that we are passing a very bad moment with this review and people in the other constituencies said that At-Large is only about travel, etc., etc. We don't need to give this impression, we have to -- I think that if we can replace the CROP with another to give us more or less the same results without being under the spot as a traveler, I think it is good. Thank you.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you, Tijani. I don't know how many of you read the report by Robert, they did one six months ago and they do one every year and it's

quite interesting. They avoided a lot of the issues that have come back that have been critical, i.e. metrics or accountability and that's been a big issue and they singled out one particular RALO in one of the reports where they didn't use the trips to their best of their ability.

We may be reaping what we sewed in some sense. We're fortunate to get some discretionary funding and one of the things that have gone through process and have to ask Heidi, has it been approved that we've bumped up from 2000 to 4000 on each RALO discretionary fund Heidi?

**HEIDI ULLRICH:** 

The process is still undergoing review, so that won't be announced or confirmed until I believe around April or so but I will be able to get a better sense in the next few weeks.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Thank you. Cheryl, go ahead.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thanks very much for that. Of course, one of the limitations that some RALOs have had in the past and we're going back to your reference to that report is the timing on what is considered useful effective meetings to do this sort of outreach at within the region and the timing happens to be in their schedule or annual events.

I know that APRALO has regularly had issues there because the APRICOT, one of the key activities is often held so extraordinarily early

in any quarter and in every year. Sometimes it's the way things are designed which gives results as well. Thanks.

**GLENN MCKNIGHT:** 

Yes, thank you. It does favor certain economies and certain time zones for sure. I think we swallowed up our time. I'm sorry we didn't get to the RALO outreach strategies. One of the things about CROP is we were obligated at each RALO to do a strategic plan, so if CROP goes that the big question, is what replaces that outreach plan, in the sense it's not using the tools we have with CROP? More to be discussed. I think we've given up our time. Thank you so much for joining us today. We'll see you all face to face at our meeting very, very soon. Have safe travels and we'll see you in Puerto Rico. Thanks for joining.

MARIO ALEMAN:

Thank you everyone, this meeting has been adjourned. Please remember to disconnect all remaining lines.

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