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CLAUDIA RUIZ: Thank you for joining the AFRALO Monthly Teleconference Call. We are four minutes past starting time. However, we are still waiting for Mohamed and we will be beginning momentarily. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Claudia, we can start because Mohamed will be late for ten minutes. I can start the call until he will join us.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Okay. Great. Thank you, Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: We will not go through the points that he usually does. We will skip some points and speak about the others. Okay? You understand?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Yes, Tijani. Thank you very much. We will start the call now.

We will now begin the official recording of this call. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. Welcome to the AFRALO Monthly Teleconference Call on Wednesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2018 at 18:30 UTC.

On the call today, on the French channel, we have Tijani Ben Jemaa, Gabriel Bombambo Boseko, Raihanath Gbadamassi, Dave Kissoondoyal,[inaudible], Mary Uduma.

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On the Englishchannel, we have Seun Ojedeji, Nkem Nweke, Adetokunbo Aboila, Sarah Kiden, Barrack Otieno, and Dave Kissoondoyal.

We have received apologies from Abdulkarim Ayopo Oloyede.

From staff, we have Silvia Vivanco, Yaovi Atohoun; and myself, Claudia Ruiz, on call management, as well as Gisella Gruber.

Before we begin, I would like to remind everyone to please state their name before speaking and to please remember to mute your lines when not taking the floor.

Our interpreters for today are Isabella and Jacques. Thank you and I turn it over to you, Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Claudia. First of all, I would like to tell you that Mohamed is apologizing to be a little bit late. He will join us in some units. He asked me to start the call so that you will not wait more. I will keep item number two since it is Mohamed's item and go to item number three about reports.

The first point is recent and upcoming activities of ALAC. The reporters should be Seun, Hadia, and myself. So, is Seun on the call?

SEUN OJEDEJI:

Yes, Seun is here. Can you hear me?

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TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes. I hear you very well. Seun, can you please give the report about the recent and upcoming activities of ALAC?

SEUN OJEDEJI: Okay. Yeah. Thank you, Tijani. Hello, everyone. This is Seun for the record. If you [inaudible] ALAC, one of them is we will be having some [inaudible] rules of procedures [inaudible] of ICANN, but actually on the review [inaudible] rules of procedure. The ALAC is expected to approve it at the AGM during the ICANN 63. [inaudible] maximize the time of this call, I won't go through all the rule changes, but [inaudible] the room, and then if [inaudible] improvement, based on what has been proposed to be changed. If you have a problem, please feel free to contact myself, Tijani, or Hadia, or you can [inaudible] directly to the chair of ALAC, Alan Greenberg, if you have any [inaudible] contribution.

The ALAC [inaudible] in terms of the At-Large implementation, [inaudible] which have been kicked off and [inaudible] mailing list [inaudible] identified. What they are going to do now is probably send the data to [inaudible] members and then each of the issues [inaudible] each of the issues [inaudible]. I remember in our report, [inaudible] the At-Large review. There were I think about 16 [inaudible] issues that we [inaudible]. Those issues, they have been grouped. Then we have [inaudible] how do we address the issues. [inaudible] because we actually identified some of the things that we hope to do [inaudible] issues. This is [inaudible] implementation part. [inaudible]. Our new chair is Maureen. She is the incoming chair. At the AGM, at ICANN 63, she will [inaudible] seat as the chair of ALAC.

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By the way, I want to finish [inaudible] and I think I still agree [inaudible] public comments. Some of the statements ALAC was [inaudible]. One of them, which I think is very, very significant is in terms of the subsequent procedures. It's one very [inaudible] one that [inaudible]. There were also other statements that we responded to [inaudible] one for the [inaudible] accountability. We're currently doing a vote for that particular one. If you recall, the accountability was [inaudible] one which had to do with the transition and the work stream two.

So, the work stream two, they finished their report, which [inaudible] the co-chair of the CCWG and they finished their report, and this is the call for comments. ALAC will be [inaudible] statement. I'd like to support [inaudible] report. So, [inaudible] support and all the [inaudible] are just minor observations that we made.

I think they are the key things that [inaudible] time. These are the key things that happened. If I missed any more substantial matters [inaudible].

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Seun. Thank you for this good presentation. Is Hadia on the call? Is Hadia Elminiawi on the call? If she is not, Seun gave almost everything ALAC is working on, but I may add perhaps that we also are commenting on the unified access model, proposed by ICANN for the [inaudible]. It is a huge document also. I think we are doing a very detailed comment on this document.

Also, I don't know if you spoke about, Seun, but also of course we are following the EPDP work by our two members and two alternates. Seun

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is one of the alternates and the two members are Hadia Elminiawi and Alan Greenberg. They gave us, if you want, an update of their activity and especially on their retreat in Los Angeles [inaudible]. I can tell you that nothing is already agreed on. There is no agreement on any points yet. They are working hard, but it is too complicated.

I think that this is almost all, the review already. Ah, yes. ATLAS-3. Perhaps you didn't speak about it, Seun. ALAC is working on the ATLAS-3 to be due to be held in Montreal and the preparation committee is now forming and I hope we will have a very good summit this time. So, I think this is all about the activities of ALAC.

Is there any comment, any question? Yes. Ah, Hadia, you are here. Please, Hadia.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Can you hear me?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Very bad. I can hear you, but very bad.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Okay. Maybe I can make my voice a little bit louder. I just wanted to speak quickly about what we've been doing in the EPDP meeting, the face-to-face meeting in LA. Of course, we've been working really hard, but basically what we've been doing is we've been handling [purposes by actors]. That is, for example, this is perfect for ICANN, perfect for registries, perfect for the registrar. So, we've been handling the

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[inaudible] and trying to agree on the local [inaudible], determining the data elements necessary for the [inaudible] and also the [inaudible] data elements needs to be published for the purpose, and also any data transfers that also are required to accomplish the purpose.

We've almost been able to agree on all of the purposes on this regard and I think this is a good achievement. There is [inaudible].

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Go ahead, Hadia. Are you finished?

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Hello?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Thank you very much.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Okay. You're welcome.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you for this clarification. So, now, we go to the next, report on hot topic implementation working group. Dave, Abdulkarim, or Daniel. Who is on the call? Dave, Abdulkarim, or Daniel? I think Dave is on the call, isn't he?

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CLAUDIA RUIZ: Yes, Dave is here.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Dave, do you hear me?

DAVE KISSOONDOYAL: After the webinar that was put together with the help of Tijani on data compliance with WHOIS and the GDPR, this was in August 2018, so we have that. And now we are moving on to another webinar which will also happen and that webinar will occur after the Barcelona meeting. I think it might be next month and it will be about hot topics implementation.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Dave. Abdulkarim is not on the call. Daniel is not either. Okay, no problem. Let's go to the next item which is the report of new gTLD subsequent procedures working team or working track number five. Is Ali Hussein on the call? It seems that Ali Hussein is not on the call. So, we don't have any update on this working group. By the way, I cannot reach Ali Hussein by any, so please, if there is someone on the call – for example, Barrack. If Barrack is on the call, please try to contact him and tell me what is happening with him. I hope he is getting well. I hope he doesn't have any problem. Thank you.

Next item is about recent and upcoming activities of AFRALO members. So, the floor is yours. Who has anything to report on? I have an activity that I will organize on 30 of November about IPv6. It will be my third

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event about IPv6 in Tunisia. When I say “I”, I mean the Mediterranean Federation of Internet Associations, my ALS.

This event will be back to back with AfriNIC meeting which will be held in Tunisia and I will make use of experts present in Tunis so that they can enrich our event. So, this is also, if you want, my ALS is also participating in the IGF in Paris next November. I will be speaker in one workshop and I will moderate another workshop.

Also, there is an event that will be held in Morocco in December and I will be part of it also, as Mediterranean Federation of Internet Associations, of course. This is my report. Is there any other ALS reports or individual member reports?

I forgot to tell you that I participated in the West African SIG, West African School on Internet Governance. They invited me, but I cannot report it as an activity of my ALS since it was my person who participated. Thank you. Mary, please go ahead. Mary Uduma, you may be muted. \*7 to unmute if you are on the bridge. Mary? I don't hear you, Mary. Claudia, is Mary muted?

CLAUDIA RUIZ:

Hello, Tijani. No, I do not show her muted. I'm going to have the operator call her to see what's going on.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Okay, thank you. Any other report? Waiting for Mary. If you have any other report, please go ahead. Otherwise, we will wait one or two minutes for Mary. Okay. Waiting for Mary, I will skip item number four



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since it is Mohamed's item and go to item number five, also Mohamed.  
Is Sarah on the call? Sarah? Sarah, are you on the call? No. Okay.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: She is on the call. One second. I believe she's muted.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay.

SARAH KIDEN: Hello?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, Sarah. Okay, Sarah, now you are the one who will speak about the new ALS application.

SARAH KIDEN: Hi, everyone. This is Sarah, for the record. I just wanted to [inaudible] since last month we have not received any applications for any ALS or individual member application.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Sarah, I have a question. Yesterday on the ALAC call, Alan asked us why we have only two individual members and two observers. This situation is the same for a long time. I thought we will see a new application for individual member, no?

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SARAH KIDEN: We had one from [inaudible] one application and we talked about that in the last call.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Shall we approve it on this call?

SARAH KIDEN: Yes. If anyone has anything to say. In the previous call, we talked about [inaudible] only individual member application we had. For the others, we still [inaudible] ALS application so we cannot speak about them until they [inaudible].

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Did Mohamed arrive? Claudia, is Mohamed on the call?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: No. We do not have Mohamed yet. Hello? Tijani, can you hear me? We do not have Mohamed yet.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. I went through all the items where Mohamed is not involved. Now I don't know how to do. He is the lead for the other points. Okay, let me go to item number two for open public comments, if it is Mohamed's point.

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We have a ratified statement by ALAC about initial report on new gTLD subsequent procedures policy development working group. We spoke about that earlier. ALAC has submitted their comment about this report, a very long report, and very long comment from ALAC.

We commented on all the points, all the questions, because it was done in form of questions, and it was a long process. So, it is not the work of one person, it is the work of several persons. I participated in the application support part. Abdulkarim participated in the community application. Seun, I don't know in which part, but he participated also. I think that AFRALO was involved in this statement also.

Second statement ratified by ALAC is recommendations for managing IDN variant top-level domains. Another one is about IPC/BC accreditation and access model for non-public data. This is about the temporary specification and the new rules for data collection, data access, etc. So, the IPC/BC, it means intellectual property community and business community. No, intellectual property constituency and business constituency. Those two constituencies work together and they come up with accreditation and access model for comment and we commented on it, too.

Another statement, another comment, by ALAC was about draft ICANN Africa strategy. It is our strategy. The penholder for this comment was Fatimata, our vice chair. Yes, who is speaking? I don't hear you. Anyway, I'll continue.

Statement and progress. It is also about comment from At-Large. Comments on ICANN seeking community feedback on proposed unified

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access model. This is what I spoke about before. We already have a draft statement. We commented on it and today we got a new version of this statement. We have to continue to work on it and give our point of view about it. It is in progress.

Another comment is about the next step on the reviews. Alan Greenberg wrote a draft statement and we are about now commenting on it.

There are other public comments that ALAC decided not to submit a statement which are modification of domains, protected marks, list service, and proposal for Malayalam and Tamil scripts root zone label generation rules. This is about IDN, of course.

There is a new public comment that ALAC needs to comment on or to decide if they are to comment on. It is about the proposal for – it is the same. It is about zone label generation rules and we generally don't comment about that because it is about particular script and I don't think that we are the right person to comment on.

Okay. So, this is about public comment. Any questions? Any remark? I don't see any. Okay. Mohamed is on the call. Mohamed, please. Take the floor, please.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Thank you very much, Tijani. You were doing a very good job maintaining the call.

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TIJANI BEN JEMAA: I would like to update you on what we did. We went through the points that you are not the leader. And since you didn't come, I also went to item number two which is about public comment. So, it is the only point that was assigned to you that I addressed. Please, go ahead.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Okay. Thank you very much, Tijani, and my apologies to everyone for joining late. It was something urgent that came up. Sorry for joining late. I think, as you stated, Tijani has went through the comment period which usually we go through it. I think we're supposed to be now in item number three, the reports [inaudible].

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Already done. We did the recent and upcoming activities on ALAC, reports on hot topic already done, reports on new gTLD subsequent procedures work track five but Ali Hussein is not on the call. And recent upcoming activities of AFRALO members, we did that. Nobody spoke. I was the only one who spoke. Number five, items for discussion, and this is for you.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Okay. Thank you very much, Tijani. Before I think we go to AFRALO rules of procedures, decertification, new drafts which is already on the Wiki page with the link from the agenda, I just wanted to share my concern about [inaudible] participation in the new gTLD subsequent procedures work group five.

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We failed to get in touch with [inaudible]. I managed to send him a message and I stressed on him that he should at least join this call to present an update about his work. I don't think he joined. That's concerning to me to have an AFRALO member participating, representing AFRALO, and we don't get any feedback. So, if you allow the leadership, myself and the vice chair or secretariat to reach out to him and at least maybe give him a notice that if he is not able to participate or update us, we might change. We might need to change our representative within the working group. So, I just wanted to get feedback or comments from your side about this before we proceed to the next item.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Mohamed?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Tijani, go ahead, please.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much. I already said that on the call. I said if there is someone from Nairobi, please try to contact him and tell me what is happening for him because I am not sure everything is well with him. He is absolutely absent. He didn't respond to any kind of communication. I think that we may ask first Barrack and second Bob, ICANN staff, who are both in Nairobi, living in Nairobi. Ask them to contact him and to tell us what is happening for him and what is the problem, and if there is something to do for him, tell us, please. Thank you.

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MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Thank you, Tijani. I think I have Yaovi. Please, go ahead, Yaovi. Yaovi, would you like to speak? Go ahead, please. Maybe Yaovi is not able to speak, so I think we can go to the next agenda item. There's a link on the agenda to the AFRALO decertification draft which was posted on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October. I will just go through it to give you an update about what changes have been done on this recent draft.

If you recall on the last conference call, there were some concerns regarding the proposed reasons for decertification, and specifically there was concern about the legal statements of [inaudible] ALS. May I ask everyone if they can mute, so we can all hear each other?

So, this is a new draft, and on this draft, they have removed the legal status of the ALS from the reason of decertification. If you remember, we had one of the reasons of decertifications earlier proposed that the legal status of an ALS has changed, if it has been dissolved or does not exist anymore, we can proceed with decertification.

I have removed that section and now the new draft, the main reason of decertification is inactivity of an ALS. So, if we have an ALS that's not active, and especially if they're not attending the calls, then we can consider them as inactive.

So, the draft starts with the ALAC's expectations and then AFRALO ALS expected level of involvement and participation. So, here is a list of about four items that we can consider as reasons for [inaudible] participation criteria.

Number one is the monthly teleconference calls. We all [inaudible]. There is the contribution to the working groups and voting, participating on voting. That's important. And reporting the [inaudible].

Then, there are the reasons of decertifications. I did find it difficult to track all those activities in terms of the contribution to the working groups and voting. I limited the main reason of decertification to be the lack of participation in the conference calls. So, that leaves us with two decertifications [inaudible]. The first one, that an ALS requests decertification from the ALS. They don't see that they're already [inaudible] request from the ALS.

The second reason is that the ALS is inactive. Here you can see about four bullet points that clearly define the status of inactive. Inactive ALS, if the ALS did not attend or participate in six AFRALO calls in a six-month period. So, if we have an ALS that did not participate in any AFRALO calls in that six-month period, we consider that ALS inactive. Then, the chair or vice chair or secretariat needs to contact that ALS and ask for clarification. If we found a positive response from that ALS and they promise to be active, then we monitor the next six-month period after that. They have to attend a minimum of four calls out of the six. If they attend the four calls out of the six or more out of six calls, we remove the inactive status and they're back to being an active ALS. If they did not attend those four calls and still they continue to be inactive, we consider them inactive and we will start the procedure of decertification. That's basically a one-year period. So, we are evaluating an ALS in the whole one-year period.

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This is the main change in this new draft. I'll be happy to ... It's already posted now on the Wiki and I will also put the link in Adobe Connect. This is the latest draft. Please, feel free to also go to the Wiki page and comment and I would like to hear also your initial impressions from this call. If you think that this is reasonable, we can proceed to the next step which is adopting it or voting on it, or if you think that this will require more time to be reviewed. So, I give it to you, for everyone that has comments. I'm not sure if there is ... I don't see any—

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Hello?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes, go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible] Africa. Hello?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes, we can hear you. Please, go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Oh, [inaudible]. I think it's a good one. But, I'd like to add [inaudible] primary contact for my organization. I didn't know that I had [inaudible]. In fact, when I met the secretariat the 20<sup>th</sup> last week in [inaudible], I complained to her and told her I didn't get an invitation for AFRALO meeting. [inaudible] because of [inaudible]. So, please, I would like to

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add this. That before an ALS is completely decertified, we [inaudible] e-mail to contact them. That's what I think should be done, please, because it might happen. What happens [inaudible] alternate e-mails. [inaudible] my alternate e-mail [inaudible] mailing list. Thank you.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Thank you very much. You raise a very important point, which is basically, for example, if the ALS representative is not active, that the ALS itself, obviously, they are a team to participate. So, for that specifically, there was a text in this draft which indicates that AFRALO leadership or any other designated RALO member should send an official notice of the inactive status to the ALS representative and its leadership, so we have records of the ALS leadership. Let's say the chair or the vice chair or secretariat of that ALS.

So, we are sending that notice to the representative and to the leadership of that ALS. If there is no activity from the representative, they should know and maybe they can change their representative. But, that's why this text has been drafted in this way.

I agree with you. Sometimes people, the ALSes are not aware of how their representative is acting on their behalf or how active he or she. So, this is specifically in the text. Yes. I agree with you.

If there is no further comment, I would like to recommend that ... Pierre, would you like to speak? Because we can see you are trying to type in Adobe Connect. Would you like to have a chance to speak, Pierre? Or Yaovi, if you still also would like to speak.

PIERRE DANDJINOU: [inaudible].

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes. This is Pierre? Your line is kind of far away.

PIERRE DANDJINOU: Can you hear me?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes. We can hear you now. Go ahead, please.

PIERRE DANDJINOU: Thank you very much. I wanted to talk during the any other business, but I have to go to another call in ten minutes. I just wanted to quickly thank you all for your participation to some of our events [inaudible] Africa. Especially there were a few comments that [inaudible] as a comment on the Africa strategy review. Of course, all of this will be incorporated in the final session of that strategy and we should be [inaudible] in Barcelona.

I also wanted to thank you all for those who participated to the webinar that we did yesterday on the [inaudible]. It was well-attended and we had good comments.

Finally, to inform you on the lunch of [inaudible] by GSE [inaudible] Africa and all the regions are going to [inaudible] tomorrow, and it goes

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for ten days. There will be reporting back on [inaudible] October. I will send the link of the survey. [inaudible] five minutes. It is basically about what we are calling prioritization of some of the activities, especially those that didn't [inaudible] development in ICANN in general. So, we really wanted to hear more from the community, hear what are your expectations. So, four to five minutes for you to fill out the survey what you think would be the priorities.

So, I was just calling to all of you to [inaudible] website, on the platform, and fill in the survey [inaudible] 14<sup>th</sup> of October. So, thank you, all, [inaudible] to you if there are any quick questions or response, but I'll be sending the link to your [inaudible]. Thank you.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Thank you very much, Pierre, and thank you for supporting AFRALO work. We look forward to receiving the link for survey so we can respond to it. We're also looking forward to seeing you in the coming AFRALO AfrICANN meeting. Thank you.

PIERRE DANDJINOU: Thank you, all. Bye-bye.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: So, if there is no further comment to the topic of the decertification roles, can we have one week to provide comments on the text in the Wiki? Then, after that, we can start working on it. So, this is my proposal, that we give ourselves a week's time to review the proposal

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on the Wiki, provide your comments. After one week, we need to vote on the proposed decertification rules.

Hearing no objection, I think this is how we are going to proceed.

Looking to the agenda, I'm not sure if Sarah did provide any update regarding the new ALS and individual members update. Would you like to speak?

SARAH KIDEN:

Hi, everyone. I think we talked about that before you joined. I mentioned that there's more ... We don't have any ALS individual member applications this month, but last month, we had an application for [inaudible]. That's the only thing we had.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Thank you very much, Sarah. So, to be efficient, if you already covered all the items on the agenda, I will go straight to any other business. Is there any other business? Go ahead, Sarah, please.

SARAH KIDEN:

Yes. I believe we were supposed to talk about outreach and engagement, [inaudible].

MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Oh, yes. Yes. Thank you, Sarah. I think I will hand it to you. I have Tijani as the speaker, but I didn't know who is speaking. Tijani, first. Go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Thank you very much, Mohamed. I don't know if you spoke at AFRALO AfrICANN meeting in Barcelona. Did you?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: No, we didn't. I thought you already talked about it, but you can speak about it, please.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. I have to speak a few moments about this. You know that we made a call for topics and the topic chosen was the applicant support around new gTLDs. We had a drafting team and we prepared a draft statement, a first draft that had been send, and then we received other comments and we updated it accordingly and tomorrow morning we will send it again to the list. And before 8 of October, we need to have finished this comment period, so that we can finalize the statement and send it to staff to be interpreted and to be translated and printed later. Thank you. I finished, Mohamed. Mohamed? Mohamed?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: One moment.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay.

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CLAUDIA RUIZ: Hello. Mohamed, please, can you speak?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Okay. Thank you very much. There was someone on the call who wanted to speak and I'm not sure who wanted to speak and I would like to give that person a slot to speak. Yes, go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I didn't quite get what Tijani said on the last report, on the last [inaudible]. I didn't get [inaudible]. Hello?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes, we can hear you. We can hear you. Your question is about you didn't hear Tijani's [inaudible] regarding ICANN AFRALO AfrICANN meeting. Tijani, if you are on the call and hearing me, can you just again provide us with the update regarding the meeting, please?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Again. Thank you very much, Mohamed. I said that, as usual, we will have an AFRALO AfrICANN joint meeting in Barcelona. We made a call for topics and the topic that had been selected was the applicant support program for the subsequent rounds of new gTLDs. The drafting team has been formed and we prepared the statement. The statement has been sent a few days ago to the list for comments. This statement, we received other comments and the statement has been now updated according to the comments. We will send tomorrow morning the new version and we ask all the community members to please commenalk to

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on this new version not later than 8 of October, so that we can give to the staff this statement to be translated and then printed for the meeting. Thank you.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Thank you, Tijani. Basically, we need [inaudible] the statement. Tijani has submitted the statement to the mailing list and we need to provide our comments as soon as possible, so staff could translate the statement before the meeting to different languages. Please, try to comment on the statement that has been prepared on the mailing list.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Thank you, chair. Hello?

MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Yes?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible] conference calls that [inaudible] providing [inaudible]. I would also like staff to add my alternate e-mail. I also want to report that we have had a number of outreach programs from our own [inaudible] before now. These [inaudible]. We got flyers from the AFRALO [inaudible] at AfriNIC in Senegal. Those flyers, we made more copies and we gave at our last event in June. We've been doing a number of outreach [inaudible]. Thank you.



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MOHAMED EL BASHIR: Okay. Thank you very much. [inaudible] write your alternative e-mail in the Adobe Connect if you are there, or if you can just send us an e-mail, or in chat you can write the e-mail we can use for you to be added to the mailing list. Thank you very much.

So, I think we can ... The last update I have is that Fatimata ... As you know, Fatimata is representing us on the At-Large Outreach and Engagement Working Group and they have prepared the strategy plan. Basically, the next step that they're going to ask for volunteers to draft an implementation plan for the outreach strategy.

So, what we're going to do, we're going to share to the mailing list the outreach and engagement strategy plan and we'll ask for volunteers to join and draft the implementation plan, as we did with the hot topics working group. Is there any other business?

In the absence of any other business, I would like to thank you very much for the call. I think we're ending the call at one hour as usually we do. Again, my apologies for joining late. Thank you, Tijani, for chairing the call while I'm absent. Thank you very much, everyone. Have a good night. Take care. Bye-bye.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Thank you, Mohamed. Thank you, everyone.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Thank you, bye-bye.

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CLAUDIA RUIZ: Thank you, everyone, for joining the call. This meeting is now adjourned. Please remember to disconnect your lines. Thank you.

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