

YESIM NAZLAR:

Good morning, good afternoon and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the ALAC monthly call taking place on Tuesday, 27th of November, 2018 at 04:00 UTC.

On our call today, from our ALAC members, we have Hadia Elminiawi, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Holly Raiche, Maureen Hilyard, Bastiaan Goslings, Sébastien Bachollet, Ricardo Holmquist, and Marita Moll.

From our liaisons, we have Andrei Kolesnikov, Barrack Otieno, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, and Yrjö Lansipuro.

On our English channel we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Daniel Nanghaka, Jonathan Zuck, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, León Sanchez, Alberto Soto, Lianna Galstyan, Judith Hellerstein, Satish Babu, and Alan Greenberg.

On the Spanish channel, we have Maritza Aguero, and Alexis Anteliz.

Currently, I don't see anyone listed on the French channel, and no one on the Russian channel either.

We have received apologies from Gabriel Boseko, Javier Rúa-Jovet, Joanna Kulesza, and Remmy Nweke.

And from staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, Gisella Gruber, Evin Erdogdu, Claudia Ruiz, Joseph De Jesus, and myself, Yesim Nazlar. I'll be managing today's call as well.

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And our interpreters for today's call are Claire and Jacques for the French channel, and Claudia and Paula for the French channel, and Ekaterina and Maya for the Russian channel.

And before we start, I would like to remind everyone to state your names, please, before speaking, not only for the transcription but also for the interpretation purposes as well, please. And now, I would like to leave the floor to our chair, Maureen Hilyard. Over to you, Maureen. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Yesim. And thank you, everyone who was here for meeting on time. This is my very first meeting and it's starting a bit late. I think that I probably have more of a chance of mucking it up than anyone else, so I'll give my apologies in advance just in case.

We've got a few things that we've got to deal with today, and let's say there's quite a full agenda. And before we get to adopt the agenda, I would like to make some changes for a start. Heidi did mention that we have two guests. León, who's going to be a regular guest, but if he's in our midst, I would like to give him an opportunity to make his contribution to our meeting early in case he has other things to do.

And we also have Joseph whom we have invited to come to our meeting to discuss some of the travel queries that we have about ICANN 64. And I'd like to, with your indulgence, to allow Joseph to be able to answer some of the queries that we've sent to him -and I hope he received them – but just to address some of those things. And if there are any other urgent matters that are not covered during Joseph's initial

presentation, then we may allow for a few questions, [and then] we will cover the rest of ICANN 64 issues in the normal course of the agenda.

There are also some other bits and pieces that I would like to raise within the other business at the end, some late-minute requests that have in, for example about the chairing skills program, and a few other bits that we will raise if they don't actually come up within the course of the agenda program itself.

So apart from those – so it sounds a bit of a piggledy-wiggledy mixture there, but is there anyone else who has any other items that they would like to raise as other business later on? Speak now or forever hold your piece. Well, great. Okay. Thank you. Therefore, we can adopt that agenda and we can move on.

First of all – did I see León? Yes, León is here. León, can I call upon you to do your little bit about what's happening on the board scene?

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Yes, Maureen. Thank you very much. Do you hear me alright?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can.

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you so much. First of all, I want to thank you for your kind consideration. I was just writing in the chat that there is no need for everyone to just allow me to break into the line. I would gladly wait for

my turn as everyone else. So if you want to continue, I will be glad to stay for the call and speak when my turn is on the agenda. So if you want to go back to the call, Maureen, I'm okay with that. If you want me to just give you a brief update on what the board is up to, I'm also happy to do that. I'm staying in the call as well. What would you like me to do?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yeah. Well, I think that we're ready for you, so I don't mind if you do your bit now, yes. And we'd love to have you for the rest of the meeting as well.

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Excellent, I will [do that.]

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay.

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you so much. So, thank you again for having me in this call. As you pointed, I am a regular guest. As I say, it's always good to be back home. I'd like to bring your attention to a couple of board resolutions that were passed in our latest meetings.

The one that I think is the most important so far is the one that reaffirms the temporary specification for gTLD registration data, or as we call it colloquially, the temp spec, and this was approved on

November the 6th. No, I'm sorry, it was not November the 6th. Yeah, November the 6th.

Basically, what the board did was to reaffirm the temporary specification. As you all are aware, there is a temporary specification to allow the contracted parties to be in compliance with the GDPR, and this temporary specification needs to be reaffirmed every 90 days by the board to continue to be in place. And this will continue to be this way until we reach one year of the temp spec being issued by the board.

And we have now reapproved the temporary specification again, as I said, in November, and the next time we reaffirm this temp spec will be the last time that we will be reaffirming this temporary specification, because after the 90 days of that reaffirmation, then the temp spec will just become void.

And hopefully by that time, the EPDP working group will have a new policy that will allow contracted parties to comply with GDPR while allowing to keep to the greatest extent a model that can provide access to WHOIS data. Of course, the EPDP is going through a lot of issues right now. I'm pretty sure that Alan and Hadia will update you on that, but the issue at hand is that the board has reaffirmed the temporary specification and will do so again in the next 90 days for the next time of this temporary specification validity period.

Then on a previous board meeting which was held on October the 25th, which happened [for us in] our meeting in Barcelona, the board also

accepted the Geographic Regions Review Working Group recommendations and directed the ICANN organization to implement those recommendations in a manner that aligns with the board's expectations as outlined in the mapping document.

We received the mapping document along with the report, and we are expecting that these recommendations will be implemented as per the mapping documents. We also approved or resolved that there were going to be some operating funds transferred to the reserve fund. These were \$3 million that were authorized by the board to have the president and CEO of ICANN Org to transfer these \$3 million from the operating fund to the reserve fund. So these were savings that were made by the organization, and that will go to replenish the reserve fund.

Also in regard to the reserve fund replenishment, the board approved a strategy to be carried out through the next seven to eight years, and this consists of two parts, the first one being a total transfer of excess funds from ICANN organization operating fund that amounts to \$32 million over a period of seven to eight years.

So in this period of seven or eight years, ICANN organization is expected to have savings that amount to \$32 million, and they will be transferring these savings into the reserve fund. Then another part is the one that was resolved to be allocated from the auction proceeds in an amount of \$36 million. So with this, we expect that the reserve fund will come to the minimal level that was agreed of approximately \$138 million.

This is pretty much the most relevant resolutions that the board has had in its last meetings. Also, the board has been working in the strategic

plan for fiscal year 21 to 25. This is the five-year strategic plan, and we have been working on documents that will be released for public comment shortly.

I believe that this document may be released by late December or early January maybe, and this document has been building upon the trends that were detected in this exercise of outreach with the community. They [are trying] to strengthen the security of the DNS and the root service system to improve the effectiveness of ICANN's multi-stakeholder model of governance, to evolve the unique identifier systems in order to continue to serve the needs of the global internet userbase, to address the geopolitical issues that can impact ICANN's mission and that could threaten the fragmentation of the Internet, and to ensure ICANN's long-term financial sustainability.

So this is a document that, as I said, will be released shortly so that we can gather input from the community to further flesh out this strategic plan and of course then instruct the organization to build the operating plan accordingly to this strategic plan.

Another thing that the board did, or at least some of the board members did, was to attend the IGF in Paris. As you know, some board members attend the IGF either in their capacity as ICANN board members or in their capacity of MAG members or any other role that board members could be developing in this Internet Governance Forum.

I was part of the ICANN delegation as chair of the Internet governance working group within the board. I had the opportunity to attend the IGF, and I'm pretty sure that those of you who attended may coincide

with me or may agree with me that this was an IGF that, for me at least, was one of a kind because of the political message that President Macron's speech had in it.

And I felt that this speech actually shook up things in the IGF and the Internet governance ecosystem, and it will be interesting to see how this speech evolves and how the different stakeholders that intervene in the Internet governance ecosystem will react and will adapt to this speech. So I would now go back to you, Maureen, and of course, would be open for any comments or questions that you may have.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, León. It was good to actually hear your perspective, from the board's perspective, of what's on top to them and what they have been doing, especially as we're also starting to look at our own forward planning. So we thank you very much for this valuable report.

Are there any questions that people would like to ask León at this time? He will be here during the meeting, so there may be something that will come up later if you would like [inaudible]. Well, it doesn't look like we've got anything at the moment, León, but – oh, hang on. Judith Hellerstein just joined and raised her hand.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Yes. León, so, I was wondering about geographic regions. are we going to be able to get – in NARALO in particular, we have an issue with a lot of territories in the Pacific that we would love to give to APRALO. And would that [inaudible] of the geographic and nongeographic areas,

would that help us resolve these issues once and for all, or do we have to keep still waiting?

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thanks, Judith. I don't have the details fresh on my mind, so I would need to go back and have a look at the mapping document to be able to answer your question. But as I said, the board actually instructed [inaudible] to implement the recommendations of the working group according to the mapping document. So maybe we could have a look at the mapping document and the answer should be there. But let me go back and have a look at the mapping document, and I will contact you offline if you agree.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, León. Great. That would be interesting to see what results from that. Cheryl, please. Cheryl, you're on Mute. Cheryl, hello.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

Okay.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

We could hear her before.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

You might be on mute, Cheryl.

YESIM NAZLAR: Cheryl, could you please try again? Our operator just confirmed that you're not muted on our side.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. While we're waiting for Cheryl –

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

YESIM NAZLAR: Okay, let's redial out to Cheryl. I think it will be better.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Can I have Olivier, then, while we're waiting for Cheryl? As soon as Cheryl comes in, we'll have her. Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. Thank you for this update, León, very interesting. Regarding the temporary specification, you mentioned that the board was renewing. What happens if the EPDP comes up with no consensus on a next step? So nothing to replace the temporary specification. What happens next?

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thanks, Olivier, for this question. There are different scenarios to this or different answers to this question. I think that the first thing that we need to remind ourselves is that the GNSO is the one that is in charge of

EPDP. As the supporting organization in charge and responsible for driving and concluding the EPDP, we should ask the GNSO what is the backup plan that they have – if they have any, of course – should we come to the point in which the EPDP doesn't reach consensus and is not able to deliver consensus policy.

Depending on that answer from the GNSO, of course, there are also different ways in which this could evolve. If we get to the worst case scenario in which we don't have a consensus policy and we don't have a backup plan by the GNSO, well, of course, the first consequence would be that the temporary specification would become void and the contracted parties would not be bound by that temporary specification anymore.

We at the board of course have discussed the possibility of this point coming to us, but so far, we are waiting for the GNSO to provide us with their reply, because we have asked this question to the GNSO. There's a letter from Cherine to Keith Drazekin which he is asking for Keith's advice as to whether the GNSO is contemplating a backup plan and what happens exactly if they don't reach to a consensus policy at the end of the EPDP.

So we're in pretty much the same track as you all are here, expecting or waiting for a reply from the GNSO to see whether they already have a backup plan, and if they don't, well, how should the board be prepared to facilitate whatever dialog or whatever policy measures in order to keep contracted parties compliant with GDPR while not fragmenting the WHOIS system, and of course, bringing the different consequences that we all know this fragmentation would carry out with it.

So I'm sorry to not provide you with a very precise answer to your question, but as we have been saying all through the process of the EPDP, we are navigating uncharted territory. And of course, I think that the least that the board would like to do is to issue another temporary specification, because we understand that issuing the temp spec is something extraordinary and it shouldn't become to rule.

So this is, of course, an exception and it should remain an exception. So I think we will need to wait for the GNSO's reply as to whether they have or not a backup plan, Olivier. I'm not sure that it's an answer acceptable for you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's great. Thank you, León.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. Thank you, Olivier.

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you very much, Olivier.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Can we go back to Cheryl?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Hopefully, we can. Can you hear me this time?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Yay. I have no idea why [inaudible] wasn't working. Anyway, mysteries and gremlins. Just to hopefully answer Judith to some extent, the geographic regions review, which I chaired many years ago, I think technically I still did until a resolution to – the board actually may not [have been wrapped up it,] but anyway, despite all of that, what it was suggesting about small island states and territories and territories outside of traditional borders was that such self-determination to change to a different region could be petitioned for and that you would have to have the support of the component parts within ICANN.

So for example, if American Samoa had an overwhelming urge to become part of Asia Pacific, they would need to have their GAC, their any business and GNSO constituency people, their any At-Large people, should they exist, in other words, anyone who's already engaged in ICANN, supportive of the petition to move. And it would also be wise if they had what could be defined as a significantly interested party [inaudible] country to also support that change. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Cheryl. Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. Cheryl answered most of what I was going to do in terms of Judith's question. Just to note that in the case of a territory that is governed or controlled by some other larger territory, that larger one

has to agree also. So it's not just the local people that have to agree if they don't have self-determination themselves.

In terms of Olivier's question, looking at it from the perspective of the EPDP – and clearly, we hope we'll have something to replace the temporary specification. The temporary specification is called a specification because that's what addendum to the contracts are called, and this is a temporary one.

So if we pass the 29th of May, it evaporates, it goes up in smoke, and we have the original contract that was there before. And possibly, the compliance model, you might have remembered, which said we're not going to touch the contracts but Compliance won't enforce everything.

And that's where we'll be at that point, and contracted parties at that point will have the choice – assuming nothing else happens – of continuing to honor the temporary spec even though it's not a contractual obligation, or doing whatever they want and dealing with Compliance if Compliance chooses to have an issue with what they're doing. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Alan. Tijani. Cheryl, is your hand still up from last time?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Sorry, could someone put it down? I am also looking after a three-year-old.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Tijani. Sorry.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Good morning, everyone. León, I understand that the GNSO is the only constituency in ICANN who is allowed to change the policy regarding everything concerning the gTLDs. But yes, you ask the question, but the board should have a plan in case the GNSO doesn't have another solution. What is the plan of the board? I understand what Alan said, but this is nothing. [He's] saying that nothing will happen and you'll stay as if there is no GDPR and the Compliance will solve the problems. Does the board think that we should stay like this?

LEÓN SANCHEZ: Thank you, Tijani. The board is actually working on a plan. I don't have the details at this point because we haven't agreed to a plan at this point. There are many ideas just being discussed. So I'm sorry that I cannot give you the details right now, but I agree with you. The board will have a plan in case this doesn't come to the expected conclusion that we all would want to see as the outcome from the EPDP. I agree with you, the board must have a plan, and the board will have a plan, Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Tijani. I don't see any other hands, so I think we can give León a bit of a break. And thank you very much for responding to those very interesting questions. And I'm sure it gives you a bit of feedback to take back to the board, León.

I think we should now move on to Joseph, who's been waiting patiently.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: The reason for inviting Joseph to this meeting was with regards to discussions which we'll be carrying on with later on about ICANN 64 and the issues that many may experience with regards to travel visas and luggage and stuff. But Joseph, just as a heads up, I'm assuming that you received a couple of queries at least from ALAC members who had queries relating to travel, and I just wondered if you might be able to answer some of those queries for us.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Sure thing. Hello. Good morning, good evening. And thanks again, thank you for having me for the meeting today, and just like you said, Heidi invited me to come have an opportunity to discuss what's new in travel [inaudible] and to answer any travel question you may have.

In terms of what's new, we do have some exciting announcements. We have the first of the travel guidelines [published in] October. The last

time the travel guidelines [inaudible] 2013, so with the help of the policy team [inaudible] new guidelines got drafted.

[inaudible] define our scope and separate the document into three main parts, provide clarity on what travel [inaudible] responsible for, what is the standard travel support, and lastly, the travel guidelines if you would like to hear [inaudible] and per diem.

And the intent is to clear any [misconstruction] or any gray areas about the travel guidelines. Just for reference, the travel guidelines [are up on the] community Wiki. We do have [inaudible] to provide a quick visual travel policy cheat sheet to make it easy for newcomers to have –

YESIM NAZLAR: Joseph.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Yes.

YESIM NAZLAR: Apologies for interrupting. I'm so sorry to interrupt, but our interpreters are not able to hear you properly. So, is it possible to increase your volume or adjust your microphone, please?

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Okay. Is this better?

YESIM NAZLAR: I'm just trying to see what they will respond. Just asking our interpreters.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Sure.

YESIM NAZLAR: Give me one second, please. I'm so sorry to cause this interruption. Can you please keep speaking for the test? And if you can please speak closer to the mic, of course.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: I'm literally – my lips are on my computer.

YESIM NAZLAR: I think that's perfect. that's what we need. Thank you. Thanks so much. Please continue. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Alright. So the intent is to be clear any misconception or any gray areas about the travel guidelines. So the [reference to the] travel guidelines are up on the community Wiki, and like I said, [inaudible] to provide a quick visual travel policy cheat sheet to make it easy for newcomers or anyone else [inaudible] have a quick understanding of the travel guidelines.

Also, we have a new travel support e-mail. We officially have an e-mail address, it's called travelsupport@icann.org. I'm not sure if you guys have noticed that. We posted a blog page in the community [resource bar.] We can still receive e-mails from the constituency-travel mailbox, however, we will be responding using a new e-mail address moving forward. This is an effort to make it easy for travelers to reach us [inaudible] constituency-travel address and to align with the new travel guidelines [inaudible]. So I highly suggest you update the new address on your contact list, and a reminder e-mail will follow. Again, that's travelsupport@icann.org.

Speaking of e-mails, we have a new [welcome e-mail – we've finally got an upgrade after years –] on how we send our standard e-mails to our funded travelers. We're using Constant Contact to send the mass e-mails, which saves our team hours of administrative work. So if you see an e-mail from us through Constant Contact, it's a legitimate e-mail. If your e-mail has blocked Constant Contact, please contact your administrator to unblock it so you can [inaudible]. And if your e-mail does bounce, we will know and we will [try to] contact with you specifically.

So that's about it in regards to what's new. If you have any travel issues, please contact us directly. The At-Large staff should only be involved on the early process, basically when they provide us with the list [inaudible].

In terms of ICANN 64, [inaudible] air travel, there are two main options in getting to Kobe. There is the main Kobe airport that [inaudible]. Travel through Kobe airport will be limited as it doesn't have [inaudible]

international options [inaudible] and connecting [inaudible] options. So [inaudible] recommend that route.

Also, if you go through Kobe airport in Tokyo, you most likely will need to transfer airports from Narita to Hamura [inaudible] majority of [inaudible] flights are [inaudible]. Since most of our travelers [are done] internationally, recommend arriving via the Osaka International Airport which has plenty of international options in routing, or by – if you can go to the meetings page, it shows options of transportation from the airport to the hotel, and there are several options to go about. It's my understanding that there will be a comprehensive guide provided later on [of] transportation options in the guide on the meetings site for ICANN 64.

In terms of [inaudible] with are working with a local host to determine who our funded travelers are so they have the full list of our funded travelers so that once you [acquire your invitational] letters, you should be good to go. Also, if you're a leader, you should have received an e-mail from us confirming if you need assistance with your visa application, and we're compiling those requests at the moment and we'll be contacting you shortly for next action steps. And that's about it from me. I'll take any questions, comments, concerns [at this time.]

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Joseph. Yeah, I guess if we go through the guidelines first of all, but there were specific issues that were raised, of course, as you've mentioned. Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Maureen, and thank you, Joseph, for this explanation. But to tell you the truth, I didn't understand a lot of what you said. I think the line [isn't good] or something like – there is a problem. It is not the problem of volume, it is more the quality of the sound. But no problem.

And please forgive me if I am asking questions you already addressed. When I tried to make my booking or see my itinerary to Kobe, I found that I had [to go to Osaka.] And from Osaka to Kobe, I don't know how to go. It seems that it is a lot of ways to go, but I didn't find. Can you please tell me? But clearly and slowly so that I understand.

JOSEPH DE JESUS:

From the Osaka airport to Kobe. So the first one is through ferry. That is from [– I've not been,] so from my calls from my team, the team says that that's the best way to go from the airport to Kobe. There's plenty of timing between the ferries, and it's [sure] to be very fast.

The second option is through what they call a limo bus. This is basically a bus, and that's another option. And the third option is through taxi.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Okay. And when you do the booking, you can book until Osaka only, and then the rest, the ferry, how to book it?

JOSEPH DE JESUS:

On the ICANN meeting website, we have the website for the ferry, and in there, you can book the options for your –

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: For the ferry. But yeah, it's on the website, the ICANN 64 website.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Right. Marita.

MARITA MOLL: Hi. Yes, Joseph, I've been looking into that and I noticed there's a third airport in that area around Osaka. It's called ITM, I think.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Yes.

MARITA MOLL: And it's more of a local airport. You didn't mention that at all.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: It's because there's not a lot of routing that goes into there, so it doesn't really make sense to provide it as an option, especially if you're doing international travel. [inaudible] going through there, so that's why

it makes more sense to either go to the Kobe airport if it's allowable or through [inaudible] through Osaka Kansai, because if you were to go directly through to Narita –

MARITA MOLL: Okay, because one of the routings I found was to go through Tokyo, I think, and then there's a regional airline that goes to that [odd] airport, from which it is just a cab ride, really, 20 minutes to get to Kobe.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Right. So, again, there's plenty of options to arrive to Kobe. So it will depend on the timing of the connection when you go through Narita and etc. for which one makes sense for your routing, and not everyone's routing is going to be the same.

MARITA MOLL: Okay. I just wanted to –

JOSEPH DE JESUS: [inaudible] will definitely work with you and we'll work with you to make sure that the routing that you have makes sense and so that there's not [inaudible] or opportunity of failures.

MARITA MOLL: Okay. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Yeah. Sure thing.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Maureen. And thank you for this, Joseph. A quick question. Of these three airports, which one is the closest to the venue? And by that, what I mean is closest not maybe in terms of distance but the cheapest to get to the venue from the airport. That's basically the question. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: I need to confirm with you on that and respond back at a later time, because I don't know off the top of my head in terms of pricing. I just know the distances on which one would be the best one for you guys. However, the ferry from Osaka to Kobe is relatively cheap, it's about \$5 or \$10 one way. So to go through that, the ferry way, is relatively inexpensive. But we can definitely provide that feedback to the meetings team and then we can provide that for the community to know, so what the best options are in terms of transportation.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Joseph. I don't know whether I missed that, but there was a query last time about luggage and where the luggage was actually included in a ticket. What is the general practice? I've never experienced that before, and I did think it was rather strange. So we have been told

that we really should read the fine print, but for me, I would be absolutely distraught if I sort of – because I never read the fine print. So it was just a little bit disconcerting. Is there not a policy that people actually get at least one bit of luggage that actually accompanies them when they come to a meeting? Is that not standard policy?

JOSEPH DE JESUS:

The luggage situation in Barcelona in particular is particular to that meeting and for that airline. We didn't experience that for other airlines. In general, airlines do [inaudible] one complimentary luggage if you go long haul. However, the airline that was in question is Iberia and also Level Airline was the other airline that was in question as well, which is a subsidiary of Iberia. So Level Airline is a no-frills airline that's similar to a Ryanair is or [Norwegian Air] is. So for them, they'll make their profits through [inaudible] which is done through luggages and other [meals.]

However, in the instance if this airline does not provide at least one complimentary luggage, in the new travel guidelines, we do make provisions for those [inaudible] reimburse you for one luggage. So you'll not be [inaudible].

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Oh, that's really good. Right, okay. Thank you very much. Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO:

I think there was as problem on some airlines with food and the passengers were charged for the meals although it was an 11- or 12-

hour trip. I think that somebody complained about that, and the passengers were told that they had to use their per diem allowance for that. For instance, in my case, a per diem allowance is not enough for the shuttle from where I live to the international [inaudible] airport, so I spent all my per diem allowance just going to the departure airport. So you have to take into account also the meals. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Okay. Noted.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Comment on that, Joseph?

JOSEPH DE JESUS: In terms of that, again, that airline in question was Level Airline which is a no-frills airline, and I believe that that concept of a no-frills airline [inaudible] to that market. So again, that airline is typically used for leisure travel and people looking for the cheapest airfare, and not only that, but they don't have any to her expectations other than that. So with that airline, that is how they market themselves. So I think it was more of a – the airline was new to the market and the consumers weren't aware of what that type of airline provides or doesn't provide.

So what we've done is tasked [SCM] to provide a little bit more clarity in the proposed itinerary that they provide to funded travelers where it specifically says [inaudible] itinerary does come with a meal and also to highlight whether the itinerary comes with at least a luggage. So those are the things that we heard what you said, and we acted and talked with our partner, with [SCM] to be more clear to the funded travelers at least in the proposed itinerary that's provided to you, that that's clearly stated, what the expectation is for that particular routing and itinerary.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Right. Yes. And I think that that's, as Alan says, the travelers must be clearly informed about it prior to the actual booking and before they confirm the booking. I thought I saw – Heidi's got her hand up.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yeah. Thank you. And thank you very much for all of your questions, and thank you, Joseph, for the responses and the summary of the guidelines. I would suggest, again, to please do read the new guidelines, be informed, and also, when booking, what I would suggest -and Joseph, you might have different views – is to have a checklist or look ahead at what kind of flights and airlines and routes you would like to go on and then work with [SCM] to reach something that's agreeable to both.

I've heard that some people allow [SCM] to suggest a flight, and it might be better if you do some research prior and choose the airline that you know has the standard that you like at a level that ICANN will cover. But just some thought, so be prepared and have a checklist. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Thanks, Heidi, for pointing that out. I can confirm that if you have an itinerary in mind, [SCM] can match that itinerary for you. I just also want to say that with [SCM,] they can do either/or. If you don't have any idea in terms of what routing you should go to and you just want to leave it up to the travel agents from the specifications that you provided on your travel request form in terms of [inaudible] we can do that for you. If you have something very specific in terms of specific airline, a specific thing, routing, that's [inaudible] we're happy to see if they're able to match it.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Joseph. Sébastien.

SÉBSTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you very much. I hope that you can hear me okay.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes.

SÉBSTIEN BACHOLLET: First of all, thank you for this conversation. I have two points. The first is that what is good for the traveler is not always good for ICANN, and that's part of the [problem] to finalize a trip very often. And even if there are questions I open with Joseph team, it seems that it never gets finalized, particularly the question of how will you go from one place with 250 kilometers from the airport. But I don't want to have that

discussed here. I would like to ask Joseph [to] agree to have a one-to-one conversation on such issue.

And my last point is the question of how and when the per diem are signed. It seems that since one year or one year and a half, my bank is taking a lot of money each time ICANN sending money, and I would like to know if there's a possibility to agree on a way not to send each time but once upon a time to decrease this cost. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS:

So I think I'll answer the second part of the question, which is about per diems, so how and when that gets triggered. The per diem is triggered on our end after the flight itinerary has been completed. So once your flight is completed, we look into the travel [invoice] and the travel itinerary and calculate the per diems on that. That's the only time we can actually trigger the per diem.

So the earlier you get your flights done, the earlier then you can input the per diem calculations into your particular aspect and you can send that off to [inaudible] in that time that we have actually on the travel summary page for each of the meetings that we do. If you look for that page, it will provide a breakdown on when we actually start sending out the batches to our finance department for the per diems. We typically start about 30 days before the ICANN meeting and we roll down from that.

In terms of the way folks receive their per diem and how that's dispensed, I will need to refer it to our finance [team] to respond to that.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Joseph. We've got two more people in the queue. I guess Sébastien's put up his hand again. But I would like to close after these two, if you don't mind, because we're at the top of the hour and we've actually got quite a lot more to get through, although this is important, and we did sort of say that these would be times to raise things. And if we need to, we can always call Joseph back later on. But Olivier and Sébastien, if I can have quick questions from you, that would be fine. Thank you. Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Maureen. Just a moment ago, Heidi said that it was the responsibility of the traveler to check that the fares have all the bag and the food. I really – I'm sorry, I don't agree with the responsibility being with the traveler. We have travelers that are not using English as their mother tongue, we have some travelers that are not seasoned travelers. This really is the responsibility for the professionals.

And not only that, not only responsibility for the professionals, i.e. the booking agency and Constituency Travel, but it actually is what León has said in the chat, which is checking a bag and having food provided onboard for long haul flights should be a criteria for eligible fares for the funded travelers.

This is, I think, very important, because if we're now starting to see low-frills airlines that break fare rules and we start aligning the normal fare as being the lowest fare without food, without the bag, then we're

going to end up with a whole set of flights that used to be eligible before that will now stop being eligible. And that actually is even worse treatment of volunteers than it ever was before, and I find that disgusting. And I'm ready to take this with Göran, by the way, because that is just out of order. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Olivier. Not quite sure whether that was what Joseph said. But Sébastien.

SÉBSATIEN BACHOLLET: Yeah, thank you, Maureen, and thank you, Joseph, for your answer. One thing was missing in my request, is to have a one-to-one discussion about the question of 250 kilometers from the airport, how to get there. It was an open question between your team and me but without any conclusion. But I don't want to use the time we don't have here to do that. hope that you will be available for one to one discussion. Thank you.

JOSEPH DE JESUS: Absolutely, we can discuss that offline.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, I think it's a good idea, the one to one. And I'd just like to thank you, Joseph, for at least highlighting some of those things and the guidelines. I think it's important that we do go through those, and we'll make a public comment on them so that you'll get some feedback on

them if there are issues that we'd like to address within those guidelines.

But yeah, so if you don't mind, we might call you back later on, perhaps once bookings have been done and people can raise issues about some of the difficulties they may have had. And as you say, Japan's not an easy place to get into, so I guess we can be expecting that there are going to be issues that we can put down for future planning.

But yes, thank you, and we'll now move on to our normal meeting program, which, first off, is going on to [outstanding items.] So I think we can [see] policy, what we're doing in the policy area. And Evin usually leads this, and there may be comments on that from Oliver and Jonathan. So, Evin, up to you.

EVIN ERDOGDU:

Thank you, Maureen, and we'll do a brief overview of ALAC policy development activities with Olivier Crépin-Leblond and Jonathan Zuck. On the agenda, you can see a recently ratified statement by the RDS WHOIS2 [inaudible] support of recommendations [inaudible] for decision, we currently have four public comments that have opened within the past few days, and we would need the ALAC's decision on these, so I will just list them off, and then perhaps we could have members discuss them.

The first is Proposed Consensus Policy Concerning the Names of the Red Cross International Movement and Red Cross National Societies. This public comment closes on the 14th of December.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay.

EVIN ERDOGDU: I'm not sure if you would like for me to go with them one by one or just list them all of now and then have people chime in.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I think what we'll do is we just go through them, and if there's anything that anyone would like to – perhaps the penholders or something might want to raise, they may do so. Otherwise, we'll just raise them as issues. And if anyone would like to put their hand up to explain some of those issues, that might be important too, helpful. Thank you.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Sure. Thank you, Maureen. So then the second public comment that is open for ALAC decision is Initial Report of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Team. This was – a brief overview was given by León as well earlier on the call. This one closes on the 21st of December.

And then the third one open is Policy Status Report: Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy. This one closes on the 24th of December. An the fourth is Application for New Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) Dispute-Resolution Service Provider. And this closes early next year, on the 4th of January.

So these four comments, the ALAC would need to determine formally if they would like to develop a statement, so there's no current penholder assigned, though at least the first two are topics that have been previously commented upon by ALAC members. So I could move to the current statements being developed, or we could discuss these. As you like.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Well, I've actually been going through as you have been raising these issues, and yeah, [inaudible] public comments for decisions, you don't have penholders for any of those.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Correct. These have opened within the past week or so, and so there hasn't been a formally assigned penholder to [inaudible].

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Alright. So we really should be looking at the current ones that were going forward. Okay. Sorry, Alan has had his hand up for a while.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I'll note one of those is the EPDP, which some people seem to think is a little bit of importance. It asks a whole bunch of questions, some of which the ALAC has not come out with any definitive position on. I'll point out that the draft interim report or interim report has been out already for six days. We've now used up 20% of the 30-day public comment period and we haven't even discussed how we're going to do

this. I would suggest this should be rather high priority. Thank you. Unfortunately, this should have been discussed last Wednesday but that meeting was canceled. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Alright. So I assume it's on the next meeting's agenda.

ALAN GREENBERG:

I don't know. That's two days away from now. That's another two days.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much, Maureen. I can confirm that this will be on the next Consolidated Policy Working Group call, which, for me in Europe, is tomorrow. So it's only one day lost. But I would add one thing though, which is that if we are to discuss this on the Consolidated Policy Working Group call, I would ask for as many ALAC members to be on that call as well, if only to get themselves informed about the different issues on this topic. Because as Alan said, there's so little time to produce a response, if ALAC members have to vote on something in three weeks' time where they have two days to just find out or three days when they just have to find out what the problems are and the topics are and what the contents of the statement, that's going to be so little time. So that's it.

And I was going to ask one thing though to Alan and to Hadia, is whether there was any chance that there might be an extension if we asked for one if we don't reach a response by then. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Olivier. I notice that Jonathan has suggested that it should be the only agenda item because of its importance. Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. In response to Olivier, there's no chance at all that there will be an extension. That's number one. I'll note there is a webinar this Thursday, on the 29th, that is not on our At-Large agenda. I would suggest that we really want to get that on the agenda very quickly and make sure that we have an announcement going out to all of our various lists pointing it out. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Alan. Hadia.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Actually, I don't know [inaudible] or not, but I think we will need to point out the items, Alan and I, we would like to point out the items that we would like to pay attention to and going through the report. So if it's okay, I can point out some of the items before – when you start reading the report, but those are the issues that we think are very important and that you should read through carefully.

So if it's okay, I'll quickly go through the parts that I think are important. When we talked, for example, about question number one, which speaks to the ICANN purposes, we have a suggested – not exactly we, it's actually the [SSAC] and the Noncommercial Stakeholder Group

saying [inaudible] to have such a purpose. And that purpose of the research purpose, the ICANN's OCTO office [said that they use the] WHOIS data for training in relation to security and stability, and we also had seen that such a purpose would be used by registers or registrars for [inaudible] analysis methods. Anyways, that research is not in there yet because [inaudible] did not have any current opportunity to discuss it, but I think it's referenced on page 30.

Another thing, there's a question, we have [some] data elements that are an optional data element, and –

YESIM NAZLAR: Hadia, apologies for interrupting, but I think you have a bad audio on the phone bridge. Shall we try the AC line?

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Can I try the AC?

YESIM NAZLAR: Yeah, let's please try if it's maybe better this time.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Okay. [I'll do that.]

YESIM NAZLAR: Please don't forget to mute your phone when you're turning on your AC [inaudible].

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Okay, so I shall try the Adobe audio –

YESIM NAZLAR: Hadia, sorry –

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Is it better, [Yesim?]

YESIM NAZLAR: No, it's worse because the microphone is just [inaudible]

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Okay. [inaudible]. I won't get into detail-

YESIM NAZLAR: Sorry, Hadia –

HADIA ELMINIAWI: So another thing when talking about the [inaudible]

YESIM NAZLAR: Hadia, I'm so sorry, I had to mute you on AC, your AC microphone is just too loud that we cannot even understand you. So please either adjust your microphone, you have to lower the volume, or we need to switch back to the phone bridge. I'm just going to unmute you once again.

HADIA ELMINIAWI: [inaudible] as an option for the response. And again, of course, we think that it should be [inaudible]

YESIM NAZLAR: Hadia –

HADIA ELMINIAWI: – for the registrars to put it as an option for the registrants, because if [inaudible] to do that, then certainly, they just won't put it in there. So that option for the registrant [in fact doesn't] really exist. So that's also an important issue.

Another point also is the technical field. So again, should it be there or not? There's this debate with regard to legal and natural persons, and again, there was a suggestion to redact the organization field. And if we do that and we also don't identify if the registrants are natural or legal, I think [we are losing a lot.]

Another thing also, another suggestion was that we could allow the registrants to identify if they're natural or legal, give them the option but not really act upon it. We've talked also about the – so mainly in terms of I think the most important part that [inaudible] should read in carefully, and I don't like to get into more detail because maybe that's not the time for that. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Hadia. It does appear that your microphone was a little bit loud and could be reduced, especially in the work that you do with the CPWG. And we're trying to get people to provide some feedback, but they weren't able to hear you. Yesim, I guess if you could work with Hadia on that, that would be really good. Jonathan.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks. Can you hear me okay?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Sure can.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Alright. Great. I just wanted to recommend that we devote tomorrow's call to this and we devote the call to the specific questions on which we need to develop consensus, and not an overview because there's going to be a webinar and there's going to be a lot of other opportunities for an overview, but to really focus in on the issues, questions that we're going to need to answer on which we've not defined a consensus position, so I guess I would ask Alan and Hadia to lead a conversation on the CPWG call tomorrow that's very focused on those specific areas where we need to try and have a discussion and reach some kind of consensus.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. That sounds good. Are there any other questions or queries on that? I know that we are getting a little bit low on time. We do have the

current drafts, Evin, if you would like to go through those. Very quickly, please. We do have some drafts that are due like today.

EVIN ERDOGDU:

Sure, Maureen. I'll start with those. So the two public comments that are closing today, there are drafts and comments posted to the Wiki workspaces. The first is Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Review Team Final Report and Recommendations, and the statements have been posted there by Holly Raiche, Jonathan Zuck and Bastiaan Goslings. I'm not sure if they'd like to comment quickly on this.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Any comments?

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Not at this moment. Holly based these comments on the previous comments on the CCT, so they should be largely uncontroversial, but please do take a look when you get off this call and make sure there's nothing that raises a red flag with you, otherwise we'll be submitting these very shortly on the CCT.

EVIN ERDOGDU:

Thank you, Jonathan. And then the other public comment closing today is Initial Report of the New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross-Community Working Group, and for this one, comments have been posted to the Wiki, and I'll be working with those that have submitted comments today to submit.

There are two more after [this one] that are currently being drafted, the first being the Draft Final Report of The Second Security and Stability Advisory Committee Review. That closes on the 3rd of December, and then Supplemental Initial Report on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process. This closes on the 12th of December, and there are assigned penholders for both of those comments.

And last but not least, the public comment that was submitted previously on the 12th of November regarding the Draft PTI and IANA FY20 Operating Plan and Budgets. This initial draft was submitted and a revised draft will soon follow. There will soon be a call with the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, and someone from Finance will be presenting on this call, so I think the target is to have within the next week or so a revised comment to this statement. But that's all. If you would like to have any comments for these public comments, please go ahead. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Great. Thank you. We have Sébastien.

SÉBSATIEN BACHOLLET:

Thank you, Maureen. Yeah, I would like to come back to the Initial Report of the New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross-Community Working Group report. I'm not comfortable at all with the last version of the draft comments from ALAC, and I would like others to chime in, [because] even if we have not a lot of time, it's important that it's not just a conversation by four or five people. But as it stands, I will disagree

with this version, with the comments, and I think it didn't take into account enough what both Alan, myself and others have said, particularly to recommendation number one. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Sébastien. Jean-Jacques.

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Maureen. About the draft PTI and IANA FY20 operating plan and budgets, I have one question and one request. The question is that there was a deadline which was a bit short and I had suggest it be extended, and then there were various comments added, and I think Maureen and Mohamed for that.

So my question is, when do you plan to actually close this and send it off as the ALAC comment? And then I have a request which perhaps you could consider putting up on the screen as an action item, which is that I would like to request the support of ALAC staff to find out when the first online meeting of the IFR group is scheduled. And also, when that is found out, if the ALAC staff support could then send me separately an e-mail to inform me, because I've had absolutely no contact, no information at all from whoever is in charge of the IFR. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Jean-Jacques. And I think that with regard to your comment, I think we were a little bit disappointed that more people didn't actually contribute to that, and we just decided that we would – and we were

told that we could submit our comments as is, and if we wanted to make an amendment, we could do that late, after the closing date and that would be accepted. And [as you haven't had] any other comments either. So we will continue to look into that one, because we do have some time. Thank you. Judith.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Hi. Yeah, these comments on the auction proceeds, Sébastien, we did take into account yours and Alan's, but there's also a very different opinion of everyone in that we cannot come to any consensus on whether we support mechanism one or mechanism two because we are very split in At-Large. So any way you slice it, people are going to be not happy, and this also does not – we try to make the writeup for recommendation one to really come out, explain both sides of it and how we are deadlocked in it. But we're also giving the opinion of At-Large, which was split.

Are you not hearing me? Hello?

ALAN GREENBERG:

We can hear you.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Okay, because Maureen was on the chat saying [she] wasn't hearing me well, so that's why I wasn't sure. Okay. So it's tricky when you have a very diverse comment from different people to find something that would be in the middle ground, and that's what we did the best we could. And I don't necessarily agree that we should skip that portion,

because it's very integral to the whole auction proceeds, the mechanism one and mechanism two.

Choosing a mechanism is the most important part of that recommendation, and skipping it – and then that's not writing a comment at all, that's not really helpful either. So I'm open to anyone's suggestions, but the deadline is today, so [please just] make some other suggestions, because everyone – we have a split, so there's not really a way to make anyone happy.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Alan, please.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you very much. I did make a suggestion. Although we are split, in both cases when we looked at just members, the five members who are formally appointed by the ALAC, and the members plus the other active people, we did have a majority who favored one mechanism over the other, and it was a clear majority. So I believe our report should say that even though it does say it is split. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. And [inaudible] I thought that she'd actually said that. But Judith, just [inaudible]

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: I did say that. [inaudible].

ALAN GREENBERG: Sorry. If that was a new revision, I haven't seen it. Sorry then.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yeah, I did say that we would do [inaudible]

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. Thanks, Judith. Sébastien.

SÉBSATIEN BACHOLLET: Yeah. [It's very difficult,] but I don't think we should say that at all. Maybe it's my English, but I really think that we need to be more positive about mechanism A as it is the one that was supported by a majority, and it's not the case. It's why I will not – if this document [was sent to board] by ALAC, I will not support it. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay. I think we can discuss it. That's not a problem, we'll make the changes we think are appropriate [inaudible]. Okay, moving forward then – Olivier? Oh, Olivier. Okay. Yes.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Maureen. And my browser keeps on crashing, and I don't know, my hand keeps on going down. I just wanted to point out that the EPDP is not the only really important public consultation that is currently taking place. The other one that you really have to watch out for is the one about the Supplemental Initial Report on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process, Overarching Issues and Work Tracks 1 to 4.

The deadline for this is the 12th of December, 2018. Justine Chew is in charge of drafting this, and she has already started putting questions in the relevant Wiki page or fleshed out the questions in the relevant Wiki page. We have to answer each one of these points. This is a huge report, it's got a lot of questions, and of course, you've heard that this week, we're going to devote the call on the Consolidate Policy Working Group to the EPDP, but we can't just drop this other one and wait another week until we just reach five or six days before the deadline.

So please have a look also at this one, the one I repeat again, Supplemental Initial Report on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP. And we will be spending a significant amount of time on next week's call on that one as well. That's it. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you for that heads up, and I hope people are taking a note. We've asked for the ALAC people, but it's one of the reasons we've got the regional chairs on the leadership team. We really need to get people on that, do those CPWG meetings, and sort of helping to put together the statement. And I can imagine the work that's going to have to go into

that document that Justine's working on, and we really do need to all help out there.

Okay. I think we've spent quite a bit of time on that, we've got the CPWG meeting on tomorrow for some people. I've got it on Wednesday for me. So there's quite a lot of work to be done, and it's all hands on deck if you don't mind. We've all got to do what we can.

So moving forward then onto item number four, very quickly please, Evin, a quick overview on what we've got there and what's on top for us.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Thank you [inaudible]

HEIDI ULLRICH: Evin, we're only –

YESIM NAZLAR: Evin –

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, go ahead.

YESIM NAZLAR: Sorry, Heidi. Evin, I think you're breaking up. We weren't able to hear you for some time.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Oh, sorry about that. Is this better? Can you hear me now?

YESIM NAZLAR: Yes. Thank you.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Okay, great. Hopefully it's okay. Thank you both. So currently, there are three applications for At-Large structures awaiting advice, and this is both regional advice as well as internal staff advice, or applicant questions, and there are four additional applications undergoing due diligence, and this also includes questions coming from the applicants. Those are all noted on the agenda, and I might go through them at length at another time, but we're being brief, so if you have any questions, please let me know or staff know about these applications.

For individuals, we currently have 99 in total, so we're one away from 100. Congratulations. There were recently certified two from EURALO, four from AFRALO, and one from APRALO. And AFRALO recently ratified their AFRALO decertification rules for At-Large structures. So this completes a brief update of At-Large structures and individuals. Thank you, Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you very much, Evin. Are there any questions or queries about that, the number of numbers we're starting to get? I know that when we're at the IGF as normal, we do put a focus on getting new members,

but as I have mentioned, a lot of the people who came to our booth because it was the ISOC and At-Large booth, ISOC chapters, it was actually a lot of ISOC chapters coming to meet the At-Large leadership, and I felt that that was as important, reengaging our current membership was just as important. Yeah, so if anything, it'll probably enhance the numbers within the ISOC chapters as well. So nothing wrong with that, might get more members participating as a result.

Okay, so now we are up to the reports. Is that right, we're doing reports now? And again, I would like to see that there are reports going into their respective Wiki spaces. We don't have time to discuss all the reports that are written by liaisons, working groups and RALO chairs, and I'm assuming that they are actually all on one page at the moment, although I did look at the page and it looks like it needs a bit of a tidy up, but we'll work on that. But is there anyone who would like to raise anything that's super important that could be raised here at this particular point in time?

Okay. Oh, I see a hand. Cheryl.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, Maureen. Hopefully, you can hear me again.

MAUREEN HILYARD: [We can.]

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: In addition to the usual upcoming GNSO council meeting which is always held a couple of days after our meeting, the agenda's posted, the link to listening to it is posted. I'll be astonished if anybody goes to the GNSO liaison page to look at it, but who knows. Miracles may occur and someone other than Maureen, one other and three staff members may do it. Oh, by the way, that was since 2011.

However, of perhaps interest to – yes, this is me being jaded, perhaps of interest to the ALAC is the online vote that the GNSO has just announced which was confirming – or in the case of one, reconfirming their members for the ATRT3. As many of you will know, of course, of the three people who were put forward originally, unfortunately with the untimely death of Stephane Van Gelder, and the person from Registry Stakeholder Group, Brian Cute, stopped working for the registry, so those replacements to go along with the original Wolfgang who is still in there as an existing nomination, they've put up [Patrick Kane] for Registry Stakeholder Group and Osvaldo Nueva from the Internet service providers constituency. So that's it from me, other than jaded comments. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Cheryl. Do we have any other reports? Not necessary, but if there's anything on top, that's good. Right, okay. Moving on then. And I think once we get the page sorted out too, it'll make it easier for people to check, just go through reports as they come in too. I know it was mentioned once that, [inaudible] "Oh, I wrote a report and nobody read it." I can be pretty sure that there are people from outside of At-Large who are reading [your] report.

Okay, so now we get on to the interesting bit. Cheryl, is your hand still up, or another reason? Okay, thank you. Okay, so moving on therefore, we will go into the important things, and something that we've been spending a lot of time on over the last few months. And I must say that the last few weeks have probably been very imposing on the time of people like Cheryl, Alan and Heidi, and I spent a week in Paris at the IGF and just really did not have the time to spend as these three people did.

And I hope the people have actually had a look at the document, because there's a lot of work that's gone into it, but it is the representation of what is going to the board. So therefore – and we'll be voting on it, but we do need now to seek the endorsement, we do need to get some formal endorsement to accept the report as it is written and that we will be presenting to the board.

There was not only a lot of work that went into the [inaudible] of each of the issues in the first eight – I mean they were the really important priorities for us, so important priorities with respect to the eight issues which we said that we'd be able to do and get them done and dusted in a relatively short time for most of them. So those were the eight things that we felt we could easily deal with immediately, and that the sections three and two were things that we could work on on a longer term, and section three, of course, were things that we really weren't going to spend too much time on because they involved issues that were beyond our control.

But there is the executive summary which has a summarized table that actually details those eight issues that we focused on, and the introduction gives us a historic perspective before it goes into the eight

issues, and as you can see, there's a lot of work that's gone into making sure – and I know that I went through it several times to try to ensure that everything was clear and we weren't making too many formatting and other errors. But nothing is more exacting than someone like Alan and Cheryl who were just – every time I went into it, there was something that was found that we needed to perhaps do a little bit of a rewrite or put a comma or something in the proper place.

But thank you to Evin as well, because she actually provided us with our chart on page 20. But I think that you will find too that in section two where we're talking about the other issues, a lot of the comments that we made as part of the continuous improvement, the comments that were made on how we could address going forward without spending too much time on them, but also, some of those were reliant on what happened with the first eight. So there are things that we need to address first before we move on.

Right, and then of course, it just sort of ends with the organogram which is actually mentioned within the document anyway, so we felt we better put something in there so that they knew what we're talking about. Are there any questions or queries for those who might have actually had a chance to have a look at it, or Cheryl, is there anything that you would like to add? Or Alan.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Nothing from me.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: No comment. We've put a lot of work into it. I think it gives a pretty good idea of how we plan to go ahead and do what we committed to do. Let's get it approved and send it off. It's not perfect, but there's only a limited amount of time we can put into this, and I think it's in good shape.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Right. Okay, so when we're actually asking for an endorsement, is that just done as a motion or something? Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: As chair – do we have quorum at the moment, or have all the people left?

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible] Have we? No, I think we've got the same number of people. [We've got 34 people here.] And I think we've got our quorum.

ALAN GREENBERG: If you've got – no, [but] quorum of the ALAC.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yeah, no.

ALAN GREENBERG: At one point, we had nine people. If staff tells you you still have nine people on –

MAUREEN HILYARD: Is the quorum eight?

ALAN GREENBERG: – then I suggest you do a consensus call of the ALAC and see if anyone objects or wishes to abstain.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Just checking.

YESIM NAZLAR: Maureen, if I may.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes.

YESIM NAZLAR: For example, Holly was here attending the call at the beginning, but I know she had to leave, so we don't have Holly anymore.

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible]

YESIM NAZLAR: And if you need me to check one more time, I can do the double check.

ALAN GREENBERG: Maureen, you can take a vote and staff can contact the people who aren't here tomorrow and get their vote. That's allowed in our rules.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Right. Yeah, okay. That's what we'll do. That's what I was worried about. Okay. Right, well, therefore, for those ALAC-only members who are here, could I have a tick in [this call] if you agree to endorsing this document that we've spent a lot of time on, all of us have spent a lot of time on over the last few months? So ticks, please.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: Maureen, do you hear me?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes. Who was that? Sorry.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: I'm in a car at the moment so I cannot take a vote, but I completely agree.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Alright. Okay. There's a tick. Thank you. Okay, so that's four. Who's missing? Alright. Tijani, Marita, Kaili, one, two, three [inaudible]

HEIDI ULLRICH: Maureen, looks like we have nine right now.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes.

ALAN GREENBERG: Nine checkmarks or nine [inaudible]

MAUREEN HILYARD: Marita doesn't know where to vote. [So it's just that I can't] see nine checkmarks. That's all.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We have a couple of people saying – we have Marita who has said she's in agreement in the chat.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes.

HEIDI ULLRICH: [Which we have – we have Bastiaan which we have covered.] So –

MAUREEN HILYARD: [And Bastiaan. Yeah. Okay.] So that's it, done. Is it?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Well, we have nine, so yes, we have passed, and we can go ahead and follow up [as far] with the others so we can get [inaudible] votes –

ALAN GREENBERG: At least some of the checkmarks are not ALAC members. You probably want to list the people you have.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Go ahead [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible] Yes.

MAUREEN HILYARD: We did have Seun, Ricardo, Marita, Kaili, Hadia, me, Bastiaan, Sébastien. [Sébastien, Bastiaan?] Oh, good, Marita. [That's done,] that's nine. So that has passed. Thank you. Next. Can we go on to next? Am I still on this call?

ALAN GREENBERG: You're still here.

YESIM NAZLAR: Yes, Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, okay. Sorry. I wasn't hearing anything, I thought I might have dropped. Okay, so our next item [in that] discuss was – okay, that we don't need to discuss. The next item was going to be looking at our mailing list, but what we've found is that we can't really formalize the mailing list until we have the appropriate amendments made to the rules of procedure. So we're deferring that until later. We just want to be very clear about what those mailing lists are so that everyone knows exactly who's on what mailing list, etc., and what kinds of lists they are as well.

So were going to skip that one and we'll have that one next meeting. We've had León's contribution to our discussion. Is there anything else that we need to add with the EPDP from Alan and Hadia? Can we leave that until the CPWG? Is that okay?

ALAN GREENBERG: Hadia and I will have a presentation ready for the CPWG.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Great. Thank you. Okay, so now we're up to item ten already, and we've got ATLAS III. And really, I'd guess that Olivier will agree with me that the most pressing urgent need for us of course is to appoint the working groups which are going to – the working groups, I think, close on the 30th for expressions of interest, so if we can get that done, then we'll be all systems go.

I know there's been suggestions made for criteria and for programs, and they're all very helpful, and we'll discuss those once we get the working groups going. Any questions on that? No? Good. Moving on, we have got other working groups –

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Maureen –

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, thank you. Sorry, my response rate is very slow on the screen for some reason. No, just from the feedback that I have from you and from staff, it seems that there hasn't been such a great take-up so far of people going into the working groups. I'd like to ask members who are on the call to please remind their local RALOs of these working groups, and they're important because they're the ones that will build our agenda for ATLAS III. So it's really important that we have enough people that represent all of the different regions in order to be able to cater for all of the different regions' needs during ATLAS III. Thanks.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you for that. Yes. Good. No other comments from anyone? Okay. Things I wanted to mention, for example, I note that we have some gaps in our FBSC, the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, there's a gap with

the LACRALO ALAC person, and we are a little bit short on RALO members for the At-Large appointment subcommittee.

They're both very important subcommittees. I would really like those RALOs to be making those appointments, please, because we need to make some – for example for the At-Large appointment subcommittee, the [AASC,] we need to start making some appointments for working groups. The ATLAS III for starters.

And for the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, before we even start, I'd like to actually meet with the ICANN Finance team so that we can get up to speed with what their guidelines are for the additional budget requests and things so that when we are actually making those requests, they're not out of the ballpark.

So please, RALOs, get cracking with ensuring that all these gaps are filled in those spaces for your regions. Just as Olivier said, we need to get representation from across the regions to make sure that all the regions are covered.

Okay, so I don't want to spend too much time on that. We're actually a few minutes before the second hour. There r some action items which we need to deal with. We'll get those done. We've already spoken about them in this atlas, in our ALT-PLUS meeting that we had the other day. Most of them actually have been actioned, the ones that actually impact on us ourselves, but there are things that still need to be done, mainly to do with staff, but there are a few things that I would like to – if you have been assigned something, staff will notify you. Please make sure that you at least make some attempt to address the action item or

some reason why it can't be done so that we can check those off as soon as possible.

Now, because I don't want to spend some time, we did have a discussion about travel. This is for ICANN 64. There's actually some important work to get done for ICANN 64. The travel issue, we dealt with. There are some policy issues that we need to address.

Some of us discussed the way in which we organize our working sessions. That will also need to be looked at, so we'll need to get a working group working on that part of things, as well as other sort of issues that were raised in our last session in Barcelona.

So it's all listed here in the agenda, but I do want to give Gisella a chance to raise issues from her side of things, the logistics side of things and her general organizational side of things which she has got a lot to do with and actually wants to make sure that we are aware of and that we address over the next few weeks, months leading up to Kobe. Gisella. Is Gisella there?

GISELLA GRUBER:

Hi, Maureen. Yes, thank you. Can you hear me?

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Yes.

GISELLA GRUBER:

Thank you very much. Just to say I think that the main items on the travel have touched on by Joseph, and that is what we're currently working on, so the At-Large funded travelers have been submitted to Constituency Travel, and we'll be working very closely with Constituency Travel to make sure that all our funded travelers are dealt with in a timely manner and that we don't have any major issues, because I have noted that it is not quite clear how to get to Kobe. But don't worry, we will be looking at this closely [inaudible] Constituency Travel to deal with this.

With regards to the main schedule, we will be producing a draft schedule over the next couple of weeks and putting together a small group to work on the schedule. Again, the block schedule has been released by Meetings team, but what we'll do in the first instance is deal with the cross-community topics as well as the high-interest topics, so that is what's being discussed at the moment.

And then as we get the draft schedule together, we will have to be working closely with the small group put together to work on the scheduling, and what we will try to do ahead of Kobe, just because we're going to a country where very few speak the language and I think that there may be some difficulty getting around or at least to make sure that your travel runs as smoothly as possible until we're at the venue hotel, we'll be putting a little guide together where hopefully you'll be able to find all the information [inaudible] and we will make sure that on the ALAC calls, we also have time to raise any of your concerns with regards to ICANN 64 in general. Maureen, was there anything else you'd like me to touch on at this stage?

MAUREEN HILYARD: No, I think that's really good. Yeah, we're at the top of the hour, and thank you very much for raising those important issues. And I'm sure we'll get a list, Gisella will send a list out to everybody so that if there is a working group that's needed, we can start gathering people in and start looking at how we can make Kobe another great meeting.

And if there is nothing else that anybody else wants to raise, then we can close the meeting.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Maureen –

MAUREEN HILYARD: I'm so sorry that we're a few minutes over. Yes, Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah, Maureen, did you want to just talk a little bit about the chairing skills program? I think we had discussed that earlier.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, yes, that's right. The other [inaudible] business.

HEIDI ULLRICH: [Yes.]

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Yes. So there's just one, there's that issue. Heidi got a message from Sandra to say that there are about – how many, about six? People who have applied for the chairing skills program. Sébastien, I think, was the only one who actually applied to attend as a coach, but the others were just applying as chairs. I mean they included Eduardo and Mohamed, and I can't remember who the others were, but we need some more coaches.

So those people who've applied just to attend the session who've been leaders, it would be really good if you could become coaches. But I am aware that the coaches actually are required to do quite a lot of work with regards to monitoring chairing sessions and observing and advising and that sort of thing. So it is quite a lot of work beforehand, but that was a request that she'd made, and if there are any volunteers who'd like to put their hand up for it, I think she'd be very – there we go. Cheryl's volunteering already. If we can get some more, that would be really great.

So yeah, deadline, 21st of December. If you're interested, think about it, and you've got the time, would be really great to help her out. And it's an excellent course, and I think that the people who go to it will get a lot of value out of it, especially if they've got the right mentor [and] mentor coach. So if you think that you could help somebody in that group, that would be really good.

Okay, Heidi, have I forgotten anything else?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Not that I'm aware of.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: That's great. Now I can let you all go. Thank you very much. We did lose some people, I know that they had actually said they would have to leave, but thank you very much for sticking with us, and although we didn't get through and have the discussions [that we –] so the discussions we had were really valuable. I really do appreciate that you all were here. Thank you very much, and see you at the next meeting, CPWG tomorrow or Wednesday, whichever day it is on for you.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [Thank you.] See you tomorrow. Bye.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thanks, everyone.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Bye.

YESIM NAZLAR:

Thank you all. This meeting has now ended. Have a lovely rest of the day. Bye.

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