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MATT ASHTIANI:	Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the ALAC & Regional Leadership Wrap-Up Meeting on Thursday, the 18th of July. Please remember to state your name before speaking, which I did not do. This is Matt Ashtiani for the record. And please remember to speak slowly and clearly.
RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM:	Thank you, Matt. Good morning, everyone. This is Rinalia Abdul Rahim for the transcript. I have been asked to Chair this session. Because our leaders are away on either important matters or not well. So we'll just start on the agenda items that are on the screen. The first item is the report from the RALO chairs. I guess we will start with the Asia-Pacific region. Holly?
HOLLY RAICHE:	Thank you, Rinalia. We had a very, I think, reasonably successful APRALO monthly call meeting yesterday. It started off with the executive meeting with the new kind of stakeholder engagement people/person for the Asia-Pacific region named Kuek. And I'm not going to try the rest of the name because I might make it worse than it sounds.

It was a very helpful meeting. He talked about the challenges that he faces about the sort of tension that goes between trying to reach out and trying to understand the issues that face APRALO versus the sort of staying within the agreed programs and budgets that have already been established. He talked about the fact that he is moving to Singapore with staff.

We invited him to attend, and he did attend, the APRALO meeting, which is actually very nice. And I think he will be doing that in the future. In terms of the monthly meeting, we actually went through our own processes, talked about updating the information that everyone has on the website because, in fact, that's going to be increasingly important. It's something that Fadi wants us to do.

We went through the issues that are now facing ICANN and, particularly, ALAC. For those who can't think what they would be, things like the consumer metrics, what's going to happen, the EWG, particularly for our region the ID and variance, the new GTLD's and the issue they raise and some of the issues that came out of the multi-stakeholder meeting.

We have asked that people start to identify the issues that they would like to be involved in. And we have started to say, well, we're going to have a presentation by an individual ALS beginning with each meeting, and [Satish] very nicely put his hand up, so he will start this process.

That comes out very much from listening to what LACRALO does and what NARALO does, the sort of lessons that we actually hopefully learned from each other. So, with that, I think it was an interesting and

productive meeting. I was very happy with that. Back you, Madam Chair.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you very much, Holly. This is Rinalia again for the transcript. Just to clarify, the Vice President from Asia is Kuek and not Kwuk or whatever. Queck.

HOLLY RAICHE: I'll spell it next time and promise never try to pronounce it again.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you very much. The next RALO chair that I'd like to invite is Fatimata from AFRALO.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Good morning and thank you, Rinalia. This is Fatimata Seye Sylla for the record. AFRALO is very happy I think about this meeting this time. But I would just go over the main activities we'd like to recall.

For the capacity building we went through three webinar sessions. And we would like to push it forward and to put the focus on security and privacy with the WHOIS and also the public interest commitment.

We also did some enriched activities within the local host country. And what we did yesterday was also very important for us because we had commitment from the board and from Fadi to follow up the statement issued from the joint AFRALO African meeting. And we will be preparing a scorecard for the follow-up.

The third item is about the AFRALO AfriNIC relationships. The MOU was signed between AFRALO and AflriNIC the support we got from AfriNIC. And also we are planning to do more beyond Durban for enriched activities, for capacity building, and for the participation in the PDP within the region of Africa.

Fourth is that our workshop has been accepted for the IGF and we will be attending. So this is really the overall. We really think that this meeting was very successful for us and very productive. Thank you.

I want to add one thing. For the capacity building for the [inaudible] activities, I think we will be working closely with LACRALO and NARALO because they are doing very interesting things, mainly the e-book. And we will also see how [Garth] is dealing with this RALO. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Fatimata. I think it is really encouraging to see the cross-collaboration between the RALO's. That's a very positive sign. I congratulate all the participating RALO's. The next RALO chair that I'd like to invite is Wolf Ludwig. I believe he is in Adobe Connect.

MATT ASHTIANI: Rinalia, can you please move to a different rail? I'm confirming some information with Wolf right now.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Okay, Matt. We are moving on. Could we go on to LACRALO, please? Who is presenting the report on behalf of the region? Jose Arce.

JOSE ARCE: Good morning, everyone. I will speak in Spanish. It has been a very fruitful week for our region. We had the possibility of sharing experiences that were never before lived with the other team members of the other RALOs. I am speaking about the session with Fadi the first day at night where I had the possibility of getting to know a little bit more about personal issues of other RALO members, which makes these interconnections more humane and have a more interrelationship. I didn't know the other members…

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: I request you to slow down. Thank you very much.

JOSE ARCE: This meeting was essential to get to know each other. I think we took a lot of time to organize that meeting. For me it was important to get to know you and your lives. And this gave us more push to work together in a lot of things.

Likewise, we advanced on the e-book issue. We have been working a lot to be able to get to Buenos Aires with this job completed. As from the initiative of AFRALO to sign its agreement with the regional registry, I had the possibility of speaking yesterday with LACNIC people and they expressed their support to the region. I only have to write down the memorandum and our region will be signing in August, most probably, or in Buenos Aires we will be signing these collaboration agreements. LACNIC opened its doors to make this possible.

Likewise, yesterday I spoke with Garth, the chair of NARALO. And I posed my queries regarding the tasks they are doing with this

community, and it is very probable than in the near future we will be working in collaboration. They will collaborate with us in this respect.

Likewise, during this meeting with Sylvia, Natalia, and Dev we opened a Wiki in our page so as to post daily reports of what is happening in ICANN meetings on a daily basis. And we profited from the fact to contact people from the community because we are organizing the regional IGF in Latin America and the Caribbean, especially in the city of [Cordoba] and you are kindly invited to participate.

I had the opportunity to speak with the Vice Chair for Latin America, Rodrigo de la Parra, and we were speaking to organize the activities in Buenos Aires. We were tackling our interaction with us and with the community. That's all.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Jose. I congratulate you and we look forward to the activities in Buenos Aires in November. I see in the chat that Wolf Ludwig, who is chair of EURALO, has indicated that his report is up on the wiki. He requests that we look at the wiki and the report because everything that needs to be said has been said.

In one of the sessions during this week I think there were various discussions on what had happened at the EURALO event in Portugal, if I am not mistaken. And that was quite successful, and even Fadi has mentioned that. So let's move on to NARALO. I don't see Garth here. Is there someone from the region who could provide a report regarding regional activities? Eduardo?

EDUARDO DIAZ

This is Eduardo, yes. What I can say is that we are in the middle of an election. I think elections are due today or they were done yesterday. We have been regularly meeting and Garth is pushing really hard to promote more ALSs within the region. So I don't know what else to add to that. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM:

Thank you, Eduardo. Did I miss any RALO? Is that it? Okay. Just wanted to open the floor in case any members of the ALAC and At-Large have any questions for the RALO chairs, just going around? Yes, Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you, Rinalia. It's perhaps a suggestion more than a question. Since we are approaching the summit, ATLAS II, and since we need our ALSs to participate efficiently effectively in the summit, I would like to see our RALOs preparing the ALSs to be up-to-date and having the whole information, and perhaps, more knowledge about ICANN and about the issues that will be discussed here so that you will not see them sitting on the table and only watching.

This is very important because the importance of the summit is that the ALSs will decide themselves. Not by proxy, but themselves. So if they are here and they decide they should be, and they need to be prepared, well-prepared.

So I think that this is something that the whole RALOs have to prepare together inside the secretariat meetings and try to have a program,

perhaps. We have less than one year. So we can have a program for that. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Tijani. I see Suranush has her hand up. Please.

SIRANUSH VARDANYAN: Yes. I really very much appreciate the cross-cooperation between RALO's at this stage and completely agree with Tijani that for the upcoming summit in London we need to be prepared not by ourselves only, but also prepare our ALSs.

And to that extent, within APRALO meeting we also discussed how to bring the metrics for participation of ALSs at least to give some incentives for them to come and to participate. And the starting point will be asking all of them to provide information about their ALSs, each and every ALS. And we will start, to some extent, also measuring their participation during monthly calls, their participation in the mailing list. And one of the first requirements will be to subscribe to mailing list, first of all, in order to be aware what's going on in the region.

I would love to see this cooperation among ourselves for the future and agree that there is a need to prepare ALSs. I'm sure that there will be materials already prepared with the support of our staff—the beginner guides on what we have already. If they are not coming to the Wiki to see that, we can send via e-mail, and somehow, we will be sure that the information gets there. And we also can measure their participation during the summit. So this can be also some of the metrics for us to see

what really ALSs are doing in the field and to provide them some post activities field.

I think that this somehow will help not only for ourselves to communicate with each other and better this communication, but also to involve more ALSs, have them actively participate in the discussions in general. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Siranush. Are there any more suggestions in terms of RALO activity or preparation towards ATLAS II or in improving performance and collaboration either with the RALO or across RALO? Yes, Jaovi?

JAOVI ATOHOUN: I just want to add my voice to what Tijani and our colleague Siranush said. My suggestion is that just after returning back home from this meeting, I think in the various RALOs we should have activities [inaudible] to see a real implication from our ALSs, not just capacity building, because capacity building is something we are doing, and then this is very helpful.

But after capacity building, what is very important is the contribution from the ALSs because they can come and they can learn, but if they don't devote many more of time to contribute to the discussions, so we cannot get the results.

So on the timeline [inaudible] proposed by Eduardo, we can see that there is the request to have a point of contact at some date. So maybe we can think in our region that after three or four months, after this

meeting, five months, if we cannot see real participation from an [ALS], it's not sure that this [inaudible]. I'm not saying that we have the power to [suspend] people. Our wish is that everybody participate. But I think that we can find a way to tell them that if we cannot see them participate, it's not necessary to come London because it's not just a trip for tourism. And then we should find a way to get feedback from them, because we want to hear.

And then, especially, there are some topics, very important, not what is ALAC; what is ICANN. But there are some very important issues. We talk about IDN. We talk about Trademark Clearinghouse. There are many things, very important topics, that they need to learn and then they need to get feedback, to bring feedback from their community to the region. So just to say that we need to find a way to help people and to get them to participate. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Yaovi. Before I give the floor to Siranush and Dev, I just want to clarify what I just heard. What I understand from that is that there should be a criteria to be eligible to participate in the London summit, which is essentially preparation, pre-participation in lead up events. Can you just clarify that?

YAOVI ATOHOUN: Yes. I want to clarify. I won't say that now, because my wish is that everybody participate. So just to find a political way to have people very involved. Because I am an ALS I will get a ticket to go to London. That is not the point.

So what I am saying is that we find a way to attract people. If we talk about criteria now, it would be a very big discussion. So I just wish that we would find a way to bring people to have them to participate, because we want everybody.

So my idea is to share ideas between us, how we can help people to come and participate. People were in other meetings, capacity building. But after the meeting they disappear. But we don't have to be discouraged. We have to find a way to talk to them. So this is my suggestion –not to set criteria now, but find a way to bring people who are silent, to bring them back. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Yaovi. I have a queue, but before I proceed, did you also want to speak? Okay, I'll put you on the queue, but Heidi wants to make a comment to inform the discussion. Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you, Ranilia. To let you know on that point of what Eduardo was just speaking on, for the first summit the ALSs were required to complete a survey I believe about six months or so prior to the summit. So that's something that you might wish to have again.

I remember I had just started at that time, and a lot of the ALSs had not actually, at that time, about five months prior to the summit returned their survey. So we sent reminders continuously to them. Again, I think in the end, out of 100 ALS's we had about high 80s I think. So not everyone came to that first summit.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Heidi. So what I understand from that is there is a criteria, and that was one of the mechanisms for enforcing that criteria for participation. I now give the floor to Siranush.

SIRANUSH VARDANYAN: This was exactly what I was going to say because I am a member of ATLAS II organizing committee, and there is a subgroup on survey. And Wolf is chairing that subgroup. There is similar procedure. We are in the process of finalizing this survey, and this will be sent to all the ALSs to complete prior to the summit. So the same approach and the same methodology will work here. Now we are clarifying this is the process of details, questions, and what is the need for ALSs.

The point which Yaovi said, our intention is not to decrease the number of ALSs. Our intention is to increase their number. And that's why probably, yes, you are right. There are ALSs who are silent because they don't what's going on. So maybe we need to reach out to them to understand their needs and give that information to them for them to bring to the field.

I also saw Heidi's comment in Adobe Space that all ALSs are automatically subscribed to the mailing list. So it means they all are getting those mailing lists and this is not an issue of finding who is not subscribed. So, thank you, Heidi, for the information. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Siranush. So I just repeat, the emphasis is on enhancing the engagement of ALS also to increase more ALSs in the system. I also note

in the Adobe Chat that [Pavan] supports Yaovi's idea as well. And now, Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you, Rinalia. Just to second what Yaovi and the previous speakers have been saying, one of my huge concerns is, of course, that the summit has to do something positive for At-Large so At-Large structures are more effective in engaging policy issues and so forth. It's not just a full stop, in other words.

In terms of the capacity building and so forth, I think perhaps what has to happen is that we really need to identify, probably through the capacity building survey, the ALSs that are – I think Chris Gift gave a good thing in his digital engagement. He had like three circles. Those are looking in from the outside, and those are directly at the face-to-face public policy discussions and trying to find where ALSs fit in this, and those are at the very outside who are just silent and, well, we are not hearing from them. Are they listening? Are they understanding? Do they care? We have to then get those categories of ALSs and look at those ones that are not silent and so on and really get them, "Hey. Come and jump in the water here. It's a good thing. You need to be here."

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Dev. I think one of the practical considerations is for the ALS to be asked early to identify who their representative would be if they were to participate in the summit. Then they know that they have the responsibility on behalf of their structure. And it will be a motivating factor for them to take an active role in the preparation or to facilitate,

to channel the voice from the ALS to the RALO to the summit. Please bring this message back to the organizing parties. Next is Tijani, and after that Natalia.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Rinalia. I believe that we are not entitled to do something that might reduce the number of ALSs participating in the summit. The survey, Heidi and Siranush, was done in order to know whether or not the ALSs were still in existence or not, because they were being silenced. And so the only means to find out whether or not they still were there was to fill out the survey.

So, [now] saying whether or not they are participating because they are there or not, it's not something that you can say. So you have to find a means to motivate them to prepare themselves adequately so that they might participate adequately in the summit. You can promise things to them, but you can't necessarily be strict about that.

I think our interest is in bringing a maximum number of ALSs to the summit. What we would like to see, the recommendations that will come out of the summit based on those recommendations must come from a maximum number of ALSs. So let us not consider restricting or minimizing participation. Participation must be active and productive. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Tijani. Natalia?

NATALIA ENCISO: Hello. I just want to share the experience that we had at the fellowship with [inaudible]. After the meetings, all the fellows are required to send a report of their activities during the meeting – who they met, their plans to do after the meeting. And I think it's a good idea to implement during or after the summit.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Natalia. And Siranush wants to respond to that.

SIRANUSH VARDANYAN: Yes. Just to let you know, after the Beijing meeting, this was actually the case with all ALSs in APRALO. They were asked to send the report about their participation, and many of them submitted with the support of secretariat. [inaudible] collected all those information and they are all posted on Wiki. And we even have the recommendations coming from ALS's. And based on those recommendations, we are trying to make adaptation to the way how APRALO is working and to bring additions to what we have during our calls. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Siranush. I see Yaovi has his hand up. I note that Garth and Evan has joined us. Garth, earlier we had a RALO chairs report. Eduardo filled the gap a little bit, but I'd like you to prepare to add a little bit more on that. Yaovi?

YAOVI ATOHOUN: I find the discussion very interesting. That shows that all of us, we see the importance of our role And then in all the meetings during ICANN, the level of the [inaudible] reached by ALAC now is very important. And it is very, very important to see how to keep this level.

Based on what Heidi said yesterday, a question in the survey can help to get feedback from the ALS. What are their expectations or if they have an idea after the sub-meetings? That is a suggestion I want to do. We can try to get something. They will send report. Some people will send report, and then after report that's all.

And I totally agree with Tijani. This discussion is very interesting because we are all trying to see how we can get people involved. ALAC is very important today to ICANN and then what to do to keep good people, to keep the level.

So I agree with what Tijani said. We need more people and we need even more countries in our region. So we need to continue sharing ideas so that after, from now till after long done, maybe ALAC will go more higher. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Yaovi. I see that Siranush has her hand up and there is a question the Adobe Connect about why the camera is not turning. Can someone address that? Siranush?

SIRANUSH VARDANYAN: I think that we not only should work on adding numbers, but our intention should be to add productivity. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Siranush. Garth?

GARTH BRUEN: Garth Bruen, NARALO chair. I apologize for being late. One of the things that we have been pushing for in NARALO is an update of the actual ALS application form. I see this as a fundamental stumbling block to ALS participation because the application form is not up to speed with the current technology of the internet. It's a Word document. And I think in this day and age there's really no excuse for this. I worry that it's not accessible to members of the community. It should be in HTML form or PDF form. It should be something that's really easy for people to fill out.

And it should be more dynamic in general. And so while we've been pushing to do this within our region, it's really something that I think all regions would benefit from. I'd like to get some other people's thoughts on that.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Garth. Any thoughts on the point that Garth raised just now? I see Tijani's hand and I see Holly, and also Dev. Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you. As far as that request is concerned or the application form that Garth was talking about, I believe that it's not the format that causes an issue. Whether it's PDF or HTML is not the issue. The problem is that it is not online. It is a sheet that you print out that you fill out. As he said, that is not up-to-date with technology.

Now, does that have something to do with ALS's productivity? I'm not sure. But I agree that we should have something online available, something that would be easier to access. Especially, it would bring something to the staff as far as follow-up. It would be a benefit to the staff.

Now, I would like to go back to the question of the summit. We talked a lot. We all expressed an opinion. And I think we all agree. Now let us agree as far as moving forward. We need to gather all the RALOs. We need to have a phone call where everybody is present. We need to come to a decision so that we don't forget about the issue at stake.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Tijani. That's a very important point. Regarding the ALS application, I just want to make one point. In the ALAC we had a discussion about the membership application and criteria, and I believe there is a strong feeling within the group that we need to review the membership application process, the ALS accreditation process, and the criteria itself and I think that we need to set aside time to do this. And between now and Buenos Aires, perhaps, we will have that time, because before this between Beijing and Durban it was just too tight. And key members of our community are also dragged into other key initiatives of ICANN, and I think that is quite important to take on. Holly?

HOLLY RAICHE: Thank you, Rinalia. First of all, I'd like to say Tijani is absolutely on the money. Thank you very much. Could I suggest instead of ExCom doing the work that you say why don't one or two RALOs take on a project of

looking at the application form and aside from putting it online, which to me, is screamingly obvious, looking at the form and then coming back to the RALOs. So taking some of the burden off the ExCom and putting it onto us as a task?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Holly. Do we have volunteers to volunteer to look at the application form? I see Garth's hand. I see Dev. And, Holly, are you volunteering?

HOLLY RAICHE: Naturally.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Okay. So can I have that recorded as an AI please that these three individuals are requested to review the membership application form and come back with suggestions? Also, Glenn McKnight has volunteered. And Eduardo – oh, sorry. Eduardo is not volunteering, but he would like to have the floor. Can I have a repeat of what Sylvia understands as the members of this volunteer group?

SYLVIA HERLEIN LEITE: Hello. This is Sylvia. It is Dave, Garth, Holly, and Glenn.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: I believe that is correct. Do you want the floor, Holly? But before you go, I have Dev in the queue.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you, Rinalia. I understand, Garth, yes, I think that we can look at improvements to the form. I should point out, though, that a lot of applications, at least from LACRALO, I don't know about the other RALOs, but a lot of applications are filled out with the assistance of the ICANN regional VPs when they go on their meetings and so forth.

So it's not an either/or. I think we just have to improve both systems, because a lot of times they are filled out by hand, and it's helped with interviewing them and asking them the questions to fill out and then send. So it's not an either/or situation. But I agree it could be improved, And I'm all for that.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Dev I see Glenn furiously participating in the Adobe Connect, [saying that we need a preform to prequalify and a simple form before proceeding. And ISOC has a long process, so our process needs to be a simple one. Coming back to our queue, I have Eduardo, Holly, and then Jose.

EDUARDO DIAZ: In this action item, you mentioned it's just to check the form. I suggest that we add a little bit more scope, because we talk about looking at the requirements and the process and things like that, and maybe this group can do that, too.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Eduardo. You are very cleverly passing on the bigger buck to the group, so I just want to go around with the individuals who volunteered. Are you okay with this expanded scope?

GARTH BUERN: Yes. But I want to address something that Dev said. I understand the need for the Word document. I just want options. For those who are prepared to submit the application as soon as they see it, they should be able to.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Just a quick follow-up. I fully agree, Garth. That's it.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Okay. It's getting wild around here. Please pay attention to the queue. I have Holly, Jose, Tijani, and Jaovi, and Evan. Holly?

HOLLY RAICHE: First of all, yes to the expansion. But it really is a two-part thing. It's that a few of us will get together and come up with some things. But, ultimately, the final decision has to be by everybody around the table.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Holly. I think it's understood that the group would start looking at the issue and formulate some thoughts to be forwarded to the bigger group, and then we will have a more careful look at that. Thank you very much. And the next one is Jose.

JOSE ARCE: I wanted to clarify something, but from the point of view of what's happening in LACRALO. Maybe this initiative, which is a very good one, I think most of the organizations that apply to become members of the region don't know what ICANN is about. So we may be certifying an association for them to start seeing what this is about, to see whether they like it or not, whether they stay or not. I think it would be better for us to have a previous meeting with the Chair, the secretary, or the ICANN staff so they can become familiar with what ICANN is about and then submit an application.

This is just an idea, but this happens in our region. They apply to become members, but they don't really know what it is about. They come just to see what this is about. I think this could be improved.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Jose. Tijani, I know that you are packing to go to your other meeting. Your point, please.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. Thank you. Just to say that I don't think that we need both forms. We need only the online form. But we have to make it light, clear, and very user friendly. That's all, as any online application form.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Tijani. Jaovi?

JAOVI ATOHOUN: I want to say that even if you have the online form, it may be necessary to have the form online that people can download because of connection issues. So we should have all the options. If you have the form online, people should be able to get the document and take time, read them, understand, and fill them.

And also I agree with what Jose said. It is very important for people – they should not just come apply [inaudible] is ICANN. So we should get people who have a minimum. That is important. And then, if not, we will have a lot of people and then they will take maybe two, three years to understand ICANN.

Today, anybody, they can go to the website to know what is ICANN, what is ALAC. We don't need a cause for that. They can come for questions but not come to learn what is ALAC or ICANN. But they come for questions, because after reading they have some questions.

So I totally agree, so that during this selection we are careful we are selecting associations that have a minimum of information so that we don't waste too much time to train them and to have them participate. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Yaovi. In the queue I have Evan and Dev. Evan?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: I find myself in the awkward and unusual situation. I find myself talking deeply about process. With the conversation that I'm hearing right now, it seems like we're inventing a new process, creating a new group. It's

my understanding that there is already a standing ALAC working group on outreach issues, on easing membership entry into At-Large. This is all a part of this, especially the enhanced suggestions that Jose is making. These are important. These are significant. But I think they are beyond the original intent of just creating a better form to fill in.

This is all relevant. I would strongly suggest reviving the Outreach Working Group of ALAC, which was constituted for the purpose of this and other things. And rather than creating a new group, a new bunch of people, a new set of reporting, that we simply make use of what we already have in place.

That's my only suggestion to this, is that rather than having taking a whole bunch of names for a new group that we take the names, make sure they are in the existing Outreach Working Group, and if not, add them to it and task that working group with coming back with an easier way for potential ALSs to fill in their intention. Thanks.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Evan. It has been my observation that the outreach group is not really active I think to the level that I would like to see. What I would like to suggest as a concrete way forward is for the small group that we agreed on today to proceed with what we agreed with and then use that as a trigger mechanism to get the outreach group to start mobilizing, which is a way of saying we want both and one could be used to trigger. Sorry. I have a queue. I have Dev and then Holly.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you, Rinalia. I agree with Evan said. I'm not sure what we need to see in addition to that. So I'll keep myself out.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: He yields to Holly.

HOLLY RAICHE: I'm not even going to comment on that. How about we just do the work and pretend we're not a working group?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Okay. I think there are some responses to that. I think Evan wants to respond and then I'll go to Garth.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: I want to suggest that to the immediate, very specific task of reframing the application form in a way that's easier to use without going too deep into the choice of tools, this moment task, this group of figuring that out. What has been done right now is fine.

For any larger issues about facilitating involvement and potential groups coming into At-Large stemming from this, that I think needs to be punted to the outreach group, which absolutely needs a kick to wake it up. Thank you.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Evan. I have Garth and then Dev.

GARTH BRUEN: Garth Bruen, Chair NARALO. We have an immediate need to have an updated form and that's the most pertinent item. And I think that the sooner we can get that done, at least in North America, the sooner we can begin a much more aggressive recruitment process, because that's the kind of interface that people, at least in North America, are going to expect when they are asked to join an organization, not to fill out a Word form. And that's not to take anything away from any experience in different regions. I'm just telling you that that's the difficulty that we are going to face when we ask people to join a global organization – that they have to fill out a Word form.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Garth. But I think before the massive recruitment effort can be initiated, the online form is necessary, but a review of the criteria and the process is equally important. And I know that puts sort of a lag in the recruitment that you want to do, but it's so crucial. And I'm hoping that the subcommittee on outreach can address this issue. Dev?

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you, Rinalia. I wasn't really aware that there was an Outreach Working Group, I'm sorry to say. I would have probably volunteered for it. So then, what are the mechanisms for actually reactivating the Outreach Working Group?

                                I have a suggestion. Since we have four persons already interested in an outreach related issue, could then these persons be willing to join this Outreach Working Group and then let's reactivate it and then look at

reestablish a charter and so forth? Is it a standing Working Group or is it an ad-hoc group? Maybe Heidi can…

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Heidi, can you clarify please?

HEIDI ULLRICH: It's a subcommittee of the ALAC on outreach. And, Dev, just to remind you, you are on that subcommittee.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Heidi. I believe that Cheryl is chairing the subcommittee. We all know that Cheryl is going to be very busy from now onwards with her NomCom work. I think that it would be suitable to go around and look for a co-chair, perhaps. And if there is anyone who is interested, I would strongly urge you to propose yourself or someone who you feel can do this. I'm looking around the room if there are volunteer. Dev has volunteered to co-lead the ALAC subcommittee. We will leave it to the subcommittee to consider your proposal to be co-chair and to elect you. Can this be taken down as an AI, please, Sylvia?

SYLVIA HERLEIN LEITE: Could you please repeat the action item as you would like it?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Okay, as I would like it, Dev has volunteered to be considered as a co-chair for the ALAC subcommittee on outreach and the committee should come to a consensus on that suggestion.

HEIDI ULLRICH: To clarify, actually, Cheryl is the interim chair of that subcommittee. She's not the full formal chair. She's been interim for a while.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Right. So, basically, we need the subcommittee to either confirm the interim chair or appoint a real chair. A non-interim chair, yes. And Dev has his name in the hat right now.

I think that we've come to the end of the hour regarding the RALO activities and the reporting from the chairs and the contribution from the group. I'd like to thank you for this contribution, which I think is really useful and there is much more work to be done going forward in preparing the regions for ATLAS and also for enhanced engagement in ALAC policy development process. And I now hand over the session to Evan, Vice Chair of the ALAC.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Thanks, Rinalia. You were doing such a good job. I was a little surprised by this, but okay. The second part of this is to debate ALAC action items carried forward from previous. Since this has been so meticulously kept from this week, could somebody from staff go through the action items that have been raised one by one?

HEIDI ULLRICH: May I ask that we're going to go ahead and put this up, the action item page up, and perhaps the Chair could review those.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So what we have on our second screen right now is the ICANN Wiki page right now that goes through the action items. Could that link be pasted in the Adobe Connect for the people who are online? Thank you.

Okay. So, going through them right now, we can read them off, but essentially, the issue is to what extent we need to debate any of these. So going through these one by one. So, coming from the hot topics session from July 14th on the definition of the public interest, ATLAS II; to consider the ideas of the public interest is one of the themes for ATLAS II. This is to be punted to the ATLAS working group. Was this discussed yesterday? Is anyone from the ATLAS group here to say whether or not this issue was discussed yesterday? Anyone? Okay.

I note Olivier has just joined the table. Are you with us for long, Olivier? Oh, you are with us for a while now? Okay. Well, then, I'm perfectly happy to cede the rest of the meeting to our rightful chair. And while you are unpacking and setting up the charger for your laptop, I'll just go through a few of the other action items.

Again, dealing with the hot topics session from July 14th, two of the action items are actually for Olivier. So, you've been volunteered in your absence. This is from the hot topics session of a couple of days ago.

One of the things that came out of the hot topics was the issue of the public interest and Sally Costerton's efforts originally to try and better define the public interest. So a couple of action items came from that. Olivier, you don't need to lift your finger. You'll be chairing soon.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. I'm not chairing yet. Second action item, I have looked at that already. I didn't quite understand i. To request ICANN senior staff, provide additional information to get appropriate clarification. I require appropriate clarification on this AI because I don't understand what it means.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. And Rinalia's hand went right up. Go ahead.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you. I believe this could be related to a project that is on myICANN about the clear and shared definition of the public interest that has been assigned to Sally Costerton, who no one seems to know the status of. And since then, I've noticed that the project is no longer on myICANN. And so, I think that we just wanted to have clarification about that, and we would like our leader to inquire.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Olivier, did you want to respond right away? I see Holly's hand is up.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. And thank you, Rinalia, for this explanation. Could I ask that this be amended? Because I don't think I'll remember this even five minutes from now.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Between Rinalia and Olivier, do you have extra wording that will be easier to remember by next week?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chair. It's your AI for me. All I'm asking is just clarification of the AI. You can work it out with staff, whatever.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Based on what I've heard right now, the AI is essentially to look into the public interest issue raised by Sally Costerton that has been on the myICANN page, but it has since been withdrawn, essentially to request an update from staff on the status of Sally's project regarding public interest. Is that reasonable?

Is staff okay so far, or is that more confusing? Matt has just informed that it's been edited in real time, so that clarification is on board. Holly, did you still want to speak? Okay. Holly says no.

Okay. So, Olivier, are you okay with the other one, to engage with other ACNSO members about a possible cross-community working group on the issue of the public interest?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN LEBLOND: For the record, yes.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. We've got an AI that Heidi is going to follow up with Sally Costerton to – oh, okay. Sorry. We're just seeing a real time editing of the wiki page on the AIs.

So we have the four coming out of the hot topics – the follow-up regarding, engaging with other ACNSO chairs about a possible cross-community working group on the issue of the public interest, a request for clarification on Sally Costerton's project regarding the public interest which was on the myICANN page but since withdrawn, and to designate individuals to watch the situation.

Is there an appropriate working group that could be tasked with watching this? Is this something that ALAC as a whole should be following or is this something that needs to be delegated to a working group? I'm looking specifically at the fourth action item. Obviously, there as an intent that ALAC be monitoring this situation, foreseeing if there were changes. So the question, is this something that ALAC itself should be doing? Is this something that a specific working group should be tasked with? This is probably something that needs a little bit of clarification right now. Any comments? Holly, go ahead.

HOLLY RAICHE: I think because we were originally concerned there appeared to be a project that Sally was talking about in terms of defining the public

interest, and with the general consensus from the conversations at the time was that clearly we should be involved in that.

I think since it's apparently disappeared, the only thing I think that is required is maybe either a query to Sally or something that says, "By the way, we noticed this has disappeared. Have you finally realized you can't do it and we should do it?" I mean it's just we don't want it to disappear unless it really has disappeared, if you know what I mean.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: I think that's already dealt with in the third action item, and the fourth one is that we designate some people to keep watching it. And now that I see that, actually, four people specifically are listed as having volunteered to watch the situation. So maybe this isn't something that we necessarily to delegate to ALAC or a working group. Would it be possible to have one of those four people, that is Rinalia, Sally, [inaudible],Holly, and Wolf, essentially just to make sure that this group is doing what it's doing? We have some of these people here in the room now.

HOLLY RAICHE: I'm happy to keep an eye on the page or maybe just…

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Forgive me. I'd like somebody to own this as opposed to just four people one of these days. Okay, Holly?

HOLLY RAICHE:	May I then suggest two things? A watching brief means hopefully I will notice when it appears on the website. I'm wondering if there isn't a more concrete thing that says to Sally, "We notice that this is no longer mentioned. Could we ask what has actually happened to it, because we are interested in the issue, and would you please let us know should the issue be raised again?"
	And so, my feeling is rather than a watching brief, it's a very deliberate kind of something that we thought was very important disappeared. What happened to it? And if it does reappear, please tell us.
EVAN LEIBOVITCH:	I agree. And we need to follow up with Sally on that. I think the intention of the fourth action item was to deal with the fact that, occasionally, things just pop up out of nowhere, even over and above talking to Sally, finding out what her belief is, and then somewhere in the future just finding it pop up inexplicably somewhere else. That was simply the idea of just trying to monitor for that. Rinalia, you have your hand up.
RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM:	Thank you, Evan. There are two things that need to be done under this whole category of action item. The first thing is for Olivier to inquire either directly to Sally or more senior staff in terms of why was that project up, because certainly someone seems to know why it was there in the first place. And secondly, what is the status and why was it taken off myICANN? That's the two questions.

The other part of it, where there are four individuals who have volunteered to watch the situation, is that within the ICANN environment, we are aware that there are parties who are interested in having the public interest defined and there is a strategy panel that Fadi has proposed on public responsibility framework, which may touch on a definition of the public interest. We don't know whether that would be one aspect of the work. But we will keep a watching brief in terms of how things unfold within the ICANN environment and then report back to the ALAC if we see that happening and to help the ALAC figure out how it would like to address the issue of public interest. Thank you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. That works. Okay, moving on to the next set…

MATT ASHTIANI: Sorry. This is Matt Ashtiani from staff. I apologize for interrupting. Can you please state the AI as you would like it recorded, including the individual responsible for following up or heading the initiative?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. I was under the impression that the existing AIs as they exist right now essentially address what Rinalia was asking for—that we have here a specific request to engage…that that third one, the way that it had been edited, was specifically to request an update on Sally's project, the status, and the status of it. I thought that actually covered that off. Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Can you please state what Sally's project refers to?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. There was something on the myICANN webpage that was—

UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN: We need something more than "something on the…"

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Well, it's gone now. So we don't know what it was. At one point…

MATT ASHTIANI: No pronouns, basically.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: It is the recollection of some people on ALAC that there was something briefly on the myICANN page that involved a project by Sally Costerton to investigate further the concept of the public interest. That has been taken down from the website, so we don't know the details of what it was anymore. Rinalia?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you. I have a thread that tracked the progression of that project basically from what it was listed earlier, how it was amended to it being removed. Basically, it was listed as ensure core ICANN programs are aligned with the public interest, requires creation of clear shared

definition of the public interest. The owner is Sally Costerton. The timeline was fiscal year 13. I have a link, so I can forward that to you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: I guess we have a particular difficulty in following something that apparently no longer exists. So we'll do our best with that, I guess. Alan, go ahead.

ALAN GREENBERG: Without commenting on the substance, I have a real problem of not tracking things because they are no longer active. That may be a separate item all together. Just because you decide not to do something doesn't mean you deny its existence. It should still be there in the record.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Are there any more questions or comments about these AIs related to public interest issues as dealt with on the hot topics session on the 14th? Okay. Oh, sorry. Fatimata, go ahead.

FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA: Thank you, Evan. I just wanted to ask to Alan, so you think that Sally [inaudible] the project?

ALAN GREENBERG: I walked into this discussion halfway through. I have not a clue. All I'm saying is that from a point of view of transparency, if indeed there was a

project that has been canned, it should still have an audit trail, although perhaps not on the front page of myICANN. And I don't know that this one doesn't. I'm just making an observation that if, indeed, a search says all the pages are now gone that were there before, something's wrong on transparency.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Fair point. Can we move on from that particular set of action items to something new? Oh, okay. We're really spending way too much time on one issue. I think we've dealt with – we're just discussing the action items here on moving forward. I think we've covered this off. Can we have consensus that it's okay to move to the next ones? Because otherwise we will be a long time in here.

All right. Could you scroll up a bit, Matt, for the next few ones here? So there's two that are directions to Gisela regarding the Metrics Working Group. And so, essentially, I don't know if these need discussion here. These are two action items, both of them directed to Gisela regarding the metrics that were discussed on the 14th.

Okay. Next to do with regulatory issues. We have two action items. One is for Carlton to ensure that the Regulatory Issues Working Group will prepare a response to the Expert Working Group regarding the status of WHOIS. Since Carlton is on both the Regulatory Issues Working Group and the Expert Working Group, he's probably in a really good position to be able to do that.

Now, I was tasked with creating a statement to be presented to the Tuesday ALAC meeting which was done possibly to be read the public

forum indicating ALAC's intention to produce a response to the expert working group and perhaps put it in context with the greater issues to do with the WHOIS working group and further issues.

I did prepare that. In fact, that is available to be brought up if necessary. Upon further discussion informally between the meeting and now, it's my personal opinion as the person charged in doing this that I don't know that saying something at the same public forum at this point about the issue would be warranted.

We don't need to give a notice that we're going to do a statement. If we decide in mailing lists between now and the end of the EWG comment period we decide we want to say something, we can do that. I don't think we actually need to give a notice that we're going to give a statement. I don't know if it contributes much to the discussion, and I certainly don't know if it contributes much to the public forum.

So, essentially, this was my AI. I did create a statement. I did send a draft around to a few people. And after discussions with those, it's been my opinion that this actually not be presented at the public forum, that instead we take into the ALAC mailing list a possible discussion of a statement on the EWG before the close of the EWG comment period.

Does anyone have any questions or comments? My recommendation right now is not to do anything at the public forum but considering doing a statement on the mailing lists post-Durban. Does anybody have any questions or comments? Rinalia?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: I support this recommendation. Thank you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Is there anyone at the table that does not support this recommendation? If there is no opposition then I will take it as there is consensus that this is an appropriate path of action. Matt?

MATT ASHTIANI: That's fine, but please remember to state it as you would like it recorded once you have actually reached consensus.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Understood. But do I have a sense of the table that there is no objection to what I've proposed? Alan, are you waiving no or waiving you want to speak?

ALAN GREENBERG: I'm waiving trying to get your attention since only that side of the room exists, apparently. I'd like a clarification between these two action items. Does this mean the document is going to be drafted by the Regulatory Issues Working Group? It's going to be separate document on the same EWG report as the one you are drafting on behalf of the ALAC?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Actually, thank you for stating that, Alan. In fact, the way you've described that we should simply just withdraw that second AI and allow

the first one to proceed with the Regulatory Issues Working Group doing a response. Holly, you are nodding your head. Did you still want to speak?

HOLLY RAICHE: Agree with your summation. Thank you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So, again, for consensus at the table, remove that first action item and leave the remaining one, that Carlton and the Regulatory Issues Working Group will prepare a response to the EWG. And that's it.

ALAN GREENBERG: With the standard interaction of the rest of the ALAC and At-Large that is not on the Regulatory Issues Group

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: For this to be an ALAC statement, by definition it would have to come to ALAC. So, sorry, Alan. That's redundant.

Anyway, moving right along. Based on the ALAC policy discussions, there's an action item that Garth will post the video by [Kerry Atana] via remote participation. Is this something we still need to do? Garth?

GARTH BRUEN: No. I just wanted to make sure it was easily accessible to everyone and it's been placed in the At-Large reports.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Under At-Large policy development: Olivier to ask how RALOs are dealing with policy development. I see a checkmark next to it, so can we assume that has been accomplished?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Yes. We have had a session during this meeting where we discussed policy development of the RALOs. There was some input that was put onto a Wiki page. I gather that this Wiki page will probably be sent out after the end of this meeting. What I would suggest, perhaps, is that the ExCom discussed this page in its meeting tomorrow morning.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Thanks, Olivier. I noticed the second action item is that Matt send the URL for this Wiki page, the cross development activities page, to all the RALOs. Matt, has at least the URL been sent to the various regional RALO mailing lists?

MATT ASHTIANI: No. I have been unable to complete it. But I can do it later today.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. It's just an open AI that would be easy enough to do. We're adding another AI to this that the ExCom is to debate this issue during its meeting tomorrow. Thanks.

Okay. The next one: AIs coming out of the ExCom meeting together with regional leaders and the ASO. Gisela is to create a calendar with all the RIR meetings, and Olivier is to forward the calendar to the RALO's once the calendar with the RIRs has been created. Holly, go ahead.

HOLLY RAICHE: Just a question on this. On the ALAC page there is a calendar. Are we going create another calendar or are we going to include in the calendar that's there RIR meetings? I'm a little worried about the proliferation of calendars.

MATT ASHTIANI: I can answer that. It will still be in the same calendar space on the main page.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Moving to the next one, from the APRALO monthly meeting – sorry, Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I have sent a link to a calendar that was suggested by one of the ASO representatives at the time when we had that meeting over to Gisela. I'm not quite sure whether this was received and whether it's in the right format.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Do we need to follow up on that here or is it something that can be taken offline? Okay. I'm seeing nods that it can be taken offline.

AIs from the APRALO monthly meeting. Siranush is to ask all ALSs to update their community profiles, including website addresses. I assume this can proceed. Siranush isn't here. Now I see a checkmark. Does that mean it's been completed? I see nods, so I will assume that means it has been completed.

Sylvia is to ensure that each monthly APRALO call will include a spotlight presentation by a new ALS. [Satish] is to be the first APRALO ALS for the monthly spotlight. Heidi is to organize an APRALO webinar on the outcome of the Meeting Strategy Working Group and community to provide feedback. Heidi, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I'm just wondering whether that should be strictly limited to APRALO or for all of At-Large.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Well, I know that NARALO is already doing the same kind of thing. Perhaps this is something that can be recommended to other RALOs, but I don't know if it's something that can be imposed on them. Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Again, this is a webinar on the outcome of the Meeting Strategy Working Group. So it's not the ALS Spotlight. It's the Meeting Strategy Working Group that Sébastien is chairing.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. I'm assuming the webinar is going to be useful to everyone within At-Large. The fact that the [AI] came out of the APRALO meeting doesn't matter so much. I'm assuming that the webinar is [inaudible] a more general audience.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Sorry. It does actually matter, because it's either going to be advertised only to the APRALO list or to the entire At-Large list.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Olivier, go ahead.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. There is a difference between webinar for APRALO and a webinar for everyone in that if we have a webinar for everyone that there will be a Doodle sent out and the webinar will take place at an ungodly hour for APRALO people, whilst a webinar just for APRALO will take place at a time which will be suitable for APRALO. I just wanted to alert staff of this.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Since this specific AI came out of the APRALO meeting, then I would suggest then that we proceed as an APRALO activity. I would then suggest adding another AI that other RALOs be made aware of this webinar for their own use. Is that reasonable? I see nods from Holly, from Dev. Do I see disagreement from anyone? Okay. So Matt is adding to the AI.

What we have then is that this will be an APRALO webinar, but that other RALOs will be made aware of its existence and free to use it as they wish.

The next AI, Holly is to draw people's attention to the At-Large policy development pages so that ALSs can become more active and indicate their – oh, okay. And apparently that one's done already.

Okay. Stemming from the ALAC and NCSG meeting, Olivier is to bring up the main points that were discussed during the joint meeting of the ALAC and NCSG meeting. Bring up the main points. Olivier, would you like to say anything about that meeting?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. We had three specific points to discuss during that meeting. The first one was the TMCH Plus 50 Trademark Clearinghouse Plus 50, a follow-up to the discussion that we had in Beijing. That discussion didn't go very far because it was clear that there were still different points of view and we immediately went off on a tangent and discussed more issues which basically didn't bring any conclusion.

The second discussion was to do with the bring back Fridays. Unfortunately this was left at the end and we ran out of time. The third discussion was to do with having an overarching coordination – some kind of coordination for civil society in all of ICANN. This matter was touched on and was referred for further study post-Durban. Thank you.

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EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Can I ask if there was any specificity to who would be actually looking at this overarching issue? Because when it's said in the passive tense that this thing should be done, it usually means either it goes into Never-Never Land or somebody has to take hold of it.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. I shall be following up with Wolfgang Kleinwächter on this. I believe that Wolfgang will be driving this, and since Wolfgang is actually both in NCSG and in At-Large he will probably be bringing this to our attention again.

MATT ASHTIONI: I apologize, Olivier, but can you please define this?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: If I can make a suggestion. Olivier, would you like to suggest a specific AI that you and Wolfgang to follow-up on the issue of an overarching discussion on civil society in ICANN? We don't have to have it there you know. Is this something that is worth adding to the AI list or do you believe it's – go ahead, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. Olivier is to follow-up with Wolfgang Kleinwächter on civil society umbrella in ICANN.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Are there any comments, any disagreement with this? Otherwise I can assume we have consensus on these items. Thank you. Moving on to the At-Large Regional Leadership Meeting. There are two action items. Matt to work with the At-Large community developing a beginning's guide for ALSs with the aim of producing it by Buenos Aires.

My only question to that not having been at that meeting, Matt, is that we already have – you just produced a very, very elaborate document about At-Large engagement. So I guess my question is, is that not the fulfillment of this action item? Not having been at that meeting, was there something beyond that that was talked about? Heidi, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. I was actually his proxy during that meeting. I put this out. This is an action item I suggested to the group and the room felt that it was a good idea to go forward. This guide would basically be an embellishment to the ALS Starter Kit that exists that is much more focused on the At-Large Structures versus any of the other previous beginning's guides.

So we've had beginning's guides for participating in At-Large, participating in ICANN. Another recent one that Matt just produced was policy. So much difference in policy versus process and this next guide would be targeted strictly for the ALSs to help them get engaged more effectively.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:	Okay, thank you. As long as Matt and staff know what this action item refers to, we have no problem. Okay, next action item. Sylvia to work with the RALO officers identifying set times for monthly secretariat's meetings between Durban and London. I guess that's sort of going to happen anyway.
	Okay. From the AFRALO AfrICANN meeting, Heidi to prepare a scorecard on all future joint AFRALO AfrICANN statements that will assess the response of the Board to these statements. AFRALO AfrICANN to report to the Board on their assessments.
	Having been at the tail-end of that meeting when Fadi was addressing it, would it be reasonable in fact to add to the Board and/or CEO? Some of these might be operational issues that Fadi could address as opposed to just the Board? I remember him saying that both the CEO and the Board should own the comments and be able to respond to them. Does anyone here – Fatimata, go ahead.
FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:	Thank you, Evan. Heidi is to prepare a scorecard, and then Heidi is to work with us to prepare a scorecard. And it will not be for the future of the joint meeting, but for all the statements already have including the future, of course. So it's not just for the future.
EVAN LEIBOVITCH:	Just for clarification, Fatimata, does that mean that staff should go through all previous issued statements to address whether or not they have been acted upon? Okay. So just for clarification, not just future

ones, but that the action items called for in past statements be analyzed whether or not they were acted on. Okay. Now the list is hidden from me. Sorry.

Second action item. Heidi is to add the scorecard to the next AFRALO meeting agenda. Okay.

From the RALO regional leadership, the RALOs to look at the ALS application form. We just covered that off in the first hour of this meeting, so I think we have addressed the action item from the RALO Regional Leadership meeting. The RALOs are going to be working on the application form. We had a couple of individuals put their names forward. That was directly resulting from the first hour of this meeting.

Okay. Could you scroll down please? That's it. Okay. Garth, go ahead.

GARTH BRUEN: I'm sorry. There was one action item from the NARALO meeting which affects all of us which was a request for the disclosure of the economic study that was behind a change to the RA at the last minute and the identification of economic advisors. Thank you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Heidi, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you, Evan. Yes, we have captured that. We just haven't had time to put that onto this page.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So I have a commitment to add that action item coming out of the NARALO meeting requesting the disclosure of the economic studies. Alan, go ahead.

ALAN GREENBERG: Two things. One of them, I should have been alert enough to ask as it passed by, but I didn't. There was a discussion of a webinar on the Expert Working Group preliminary findings. Those of us who didn't have the privilege of going to the meeting allowed to know what the preliminary findings are, is there a document, is there a transcript, is there something? In the interest of transparency of course. That's question number one. No one has an answer. Okay.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Sorry, Alan. Are you asking for a new AI for us to find out if there's any output from the EWG?

ALAN GREENBERG: Well, indeed I don't really want a webinar. I would like to see what the findings were.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. I have Olivier and then Rinalia. Olivier, go ahead.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I'll defer to Rinalia if she was before me. I believe we have meeting reports and perhaps we can ask the – I believe we

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. If that's the case then, I'd like to make sure we don't forget about this and add this as a new AI. We're adding a new AI and that is to ensure from the meeting – Olivier, how did you state that?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The new AI is I guess from the wrap-up, isn't it?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: This could be the preliminary findings.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. The preliminary findings of the Meeting Strategy Working Group report that was presented in Durban. And that's to be taken from whoever has attended that Meeting Strategy Working Group meeting. They should upload it to the reports page – Durban reports page.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Are we satisfied with this, that we're adding a new AI to make everybody aware of this? Olivier, you still have your hand up.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. I believe that Eduardo Diaz is chairing most of the work there. At least he has chaired some of the conference calls, so he would have to be added to this AI please, and he has actually said on the At-Large chat that he is currently in the Meeting Strategy Working Group meeting.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: All right. So if we can add that Heidi and Eduardo to ensure. Okay. So Heidi, are we okay with saying then Heidi and Eduardo to ensure that this report is available? Okay. All right. Rinalia, go ahead.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Evan. I just want to make sure that the AIs that we came up with in the session earlier this morning is not missing. We had a very good discussion about what needs to be done to enhance ALS engagement and participation and policy development and we talked a little bit about the membership application form. Also to review the criteria and the process related to ALSs. We agreed that the small group that was identified earlier would make a proposal which would then be passed forward to the subcommittee on outreach.

We also made a specific recommendation – or Dev had volunteered to be considered as co-chair. Yes, that's the AI. I just want to make sure that that's captured. Thank you.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Rinalia, is the earlier action item that's still on the screen at the top right now about redoing the ALS application form, is that sufficient for what you wanted? Is that part of it?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Sylvia, can I ask for a correction of the AI? Because Heidi keeps reminding me that Cheryl is the interim Chair, so what we need to do is ask the subcommittee to confirm its chair and that Dev has volunteered to be a candidate. Can you help me with the formulation of that AI?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. It's just a correction. The original AI had Dev to be recommended as co-chair. The clarification is that right now it has an interim Chair and needs to designate a permanent Chair. Dev has stepped forward and is being recommended for that position.

Okay. Are there any action items that anybody at this table wishes to add or correct? Based on what we have here, I believe that's gone through all of them. Alan, go ahead.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yes. I did have two items when I tried to speak before. You may have covered this one, but I don't know so I'm raising it now since I wasn't here. There is a public comment outstanding on the IGO, INGO – protection of IGO, INGO names that terminated yesterday. We have a draft comment on the Wiki that no one has commented on. Are we going to do anything about it or is it just going to die? Our Chair may well want to think about this.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: The Chair of the meeting and the Chair of ALAC are not the same person and one is being addressed right now and it's not me.

ALAN GREENBERG: Would you like me to repeat the question?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. I'm sorry, I was not paying attention. I apologize.

ALAN GREENBERG: I noticed. There is an outstanding public comment on the protection of IGO, INGO names. Two of your loyal subjects worked unendingly to create a draft document. No one has commented on it within our community. The public comment officially closed yesterday. Are we going to do anything with it?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: This is Evan. As Chair, I guess I can give myself the floor for the moment. We don't have an ALAC quorum here I believe, so we don't have the ability at this table to be able to make—

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Point of order. We do. We have people who are following remotely and who will vote remotely. We have several statements. We have two that we're voting on, so we can vote on the third one if we wish to.

ALAN GREENBERG: For the record, I didn't ask for a vote. I asked are we going to take any action?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So one of the possibilities I think, Alan, that you're suggesting is that the ALAC endorse the report that exists right now for submission to the public comment period. It closed yesterday, but I assume if it's submitted today that they will accept it.

ALAN GREENBERG: The reply period is now open. We all of course know it's really a 42-day public comment period or whatever the number is. We have many options. We can submit and say it's going to be ratified. We can quickly take a vote. I just didn't want it to be forgotten.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So what I'm hearing is – the way I'm interpreting that is a request for that to be dealt with by the ALAC for further comment and possible endorsement today. Olivier, are you okay with doing that today on the agenda?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Absolutely.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Alan, you said you had two things.

ALAN GREENBERG: That was the second.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Do we have any other further comment, questions, or suggestion for the list of AIs then that has been currently worked on? Having seen no hands, is there anything remotely? Any comments? Okay. Nothing remotely. If that's the case then, I'll call a close to this part of the meeting and hand the rest of the meeting over to Olivier. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Evan. Thank you for chairing this part of the meeting, which allowed me to catch up with all of what had gone in the first part of the meeting, which was also expertly chaired by Rinalia Abdul Rahim. I do have to thank both of you for taking on this task. Without any further ado, I guess we need to move on now to the next part of the meeting which is ALAC action.

As I mentioned earlier, we do have quorum although we don't have all of the members around the table. I have asked staff to keep track of each and every ALAC member around the venue. Unfortunately many of them have had to go to other meetings because of several clashes – simultaneous clashes that have taken place. But I do believe that we have the quorum and I will now ask staff to confirm this. Alan Greenberg?

ALAN GREENBERG: While we're waiting, I'd like an opportunity to talk for just a few minutes on something else that has come up with respect to the GNSO.

I'll note that I have a GNSO meeting that officially starts at 10:30. I would prefer not to be more than a half-an-hour late on it. So within that time period.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. I was going to get the vote started, or at least first a quick discussion on the IGO, INGO issue. I do believe that a note was sent out on the 10th of July for public comment to the ALAC list. There has been no comment in. I have read the document and I have no comment to make either. And I was going to give a last chance for people around the table to make comments if they wish to do so. If not, then we will be able to schedule this as a vote on the agenda today.

ALAN GREENBERG: I'll make one note that the landscape has changed a little bit in that I don't know what if anything has been decided by this time with the discussions generate the Board, New gTLD Program community and the GAC. But one of the things the Board brought into this discussion with regard to acronyms was maybe we could not say something – there is a single rule for all acronyms, but we had to pick and choose i.e. discretion and not a clear rule. Or the IGOs had to decide on which TLDs did their restrictions apply. Again, discretion, not a rule. And with great prescience, our comment includes that kind of option. That's all.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. Evan Leibovitch?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Olivier, is the meeting currently in a state where I can make a motion? If we do have quorum, I would like to move a motion that ALAC enforce the IGO, INGO statement.

MATT ASHIANTI: Eduardo is now joining the AC room, so there will be another ALAC member coming along shortly. Sandra is Skyping me right now and so is Tijani.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. So what I would like to do is under the assumption that we have quorum for the purpose of a vote, I would like to move that the ALAC endorse the current statement as it is been presented. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Evan. Do we have any seconders? I believe we now have a motion to endorse this statement, so I guess we can start moving forward then with endorsement of statements. We have three, I believe.

The first one – IGO, INGO. Could we have the statement on the screen please? Maybe on the other screen. Thank you very much, Matt. So we have – the statement effectively has introduction and then a table with questions which were asked, yes or no answers. Support, yes. No, pretty straightforward. Pretty clear. Just last opportunity for any questions both to people online or in the room. In which case, we can proceed with a vote. So all those in favor, would you please raise your hand now? And virtually of course as well. Ratification of the At-Large Initial

	Report on Protection of IGO, INGO identifiers in all gTLDs. It's not At-Large Initial. It's ALAC Statement on the Initial Report on Protection of IGO and INGO identifiers in all gTLDS?
HEIDI ULLRICH:	Matt, are you ready to have? Okay. So in favor we have Dev, Yaovi, Alan, Evan, Rinalia, Olivier, Holly, and Natalia. Eduardo, you're on the line. Sandra is also in favor. And Eduardo – yes, Eduardo, this is about the IGO statement. Yes.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:	Okay, thank you. Could we have the number of yeses, please, then total?
MATT ASHTIONI:	In regards to the statement on the IGO and NGO, we have yes for Sandra Hoferichter, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yaovi Atohoun, Alan Greenberg, Evan Leibovitch, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Holly Raiche, and Natalia Enciso.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:	Thank you. All those voting against?
HEIDI ULLRICH:	There are no flags raised.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Heidi. Any abstentions?

HEIDI ULLRICH: There are no abstentions.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. The motion is carried. And the statement is ratified. So the next one is the At-Large or ALAC Statement on the Draft Final Report of ccNSO study group on the use of country and territory names as top-level domain space workspace. Sorry, top-level domain names. It is a very short statement and I think this one can actually be mentioned. Do we have it in the Adobe Chat as well, please? Perfect.

I'll read it to the record. "The ALAC recognizes the importance of the work carried out by the ccNSO Study Group on the use of country and territory names and emphasizes with its efforts in trying to shuffle through the complexity involved in categorizing them. The ALAC supports all ccSG recommendations and urges the ccNSO Council to readily accept its advice that the ICANN Board extends the current rule in the New gTLD Applicant Guidebook regarding the exclusion of all country and territory names in all languages for consecutive rounds of new gTLD applications. This extension should remain until the visibility of creating a definitial framework to provide consistent treatment of these names is determined. The ALAC congratulates all members of the ccSG team on the quality of this valuable work and thanks them for their time and efforts. We look forward to working with the ICANN community to implement these recommendations."

Any questions or comments? Yaovi Atohoun.

YAOVI ATOHOUN: Just a comment. I didn't follow the [inaudible] question of votes, I may just take some time [inaudible] vote. This is my comment, because I didn't follow.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Yaovi. Are you on the page? It's on the page. This is a statement on the policy development page which is in the Adobe Chat. You click on it. I'll give you a few minutes to read it. It's a very short statement.

In the meantime, I will ask someone to propose the motion. Alan Greenberg, second. Evan Leibovitch. Any other questions or comments on this? Have you found it, Yaovi? The statement name, sorry. Final Report of the ccNSO Study Group on the Use of Country and Territory Names as Top-Level Domain names as TLDs. Any comments, questions by anyone? Anybody online? I don't see anyone having put their hand up online. Yaovi, are you okay?

There are two comments in the chat at the moment online. ALAC statement on the IGO, INGO and then At-Large draft final report on universal acceptance of IDN TLDs workspace. Then there's a policy development page. I don't know why the ccNSO Study Group doesn't have a link. It's not posted there. Fantastic. Thank you very much, Matt. I'll give you another minute, 60 seconds, to read through this. Yaovi, are

you ready? Okay, fantastic. Thank you very much. So let's proceed with a vote.

Just to repeat for the record, the Draft Final Report on ccNSO Study Group on the Use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs, which I believe is top-level domains. All those in favor, please raise your card. And remote participants also. We'll wait for Matt to interrogate remote participants in the meantime if Heidi could count the votes here.

HEIDI ULLRICH: In favor, we have Dev, Yaovi, Alan, Evan, Olivier, Holly, Rinalia, and Sandra and Eduardo in favor. And Natalia. Sorry. Sandra's been sitting there the whole time. Do we have everybody?

MATT ASHTIONI: For the Draft Final Report ccNSO Study Group on the Use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs, I have Alan as putting forward the motion, Evan as seconding. And in favor I have Sandra Hoferichter, Eduardo Diaz, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yaovi Atohoun, Alan Greenberg, Evan Leibovitch, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Holly Raiche, and Natalia Enciso.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Matt. Anyone against this motion? I see no one raised their card. And are there any abstentions? Please raise your card if you're abstained.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay, so for nos, we have – is that what you're calling for or calling for abstention?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Anyone against, I said that earlier.

HEIDI ULLRICH: There are no votes against or abstentions.

MATT ASHTIANI: We have one more vote for by Tijani Ben Jemaa.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. I'll have to ask. Can I just ask Tijani to leave Matt alone for 30 seconds please whilst Matt reads to the record those people in favor, against, and the abstentions on the current vote that we've had. We need to record that. And then whilst we move onto the next vote, you can speak to Tijani.

MATT ASHTIANI: This is Matt Ashtiani for the record, re-reading the names for this vote. For yes I have Sandra Hoferichter, Eduardo Diaz, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yaovi Atohoun, Alan Greenberg, Evan Leibovitch, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Holly Raiche, Natalia Enciso, and Tijani Ben Jemaa. I have no votes for against and I have no abstentions.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Matt. So this motion is carried. Oh, I see Alan, you have a procedural question.

ALAN GREENBERG: Given that our as yet non-implemented rules of procedure allow us to add votes over the next little while, since Tijani is within inches of Matt, maybe Tijani can tell us whether he voted for the first motion or not. I'm just noting your name wasn't on the list.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Alan, thank you for the suggestion, but I think bearing in mind what Tijani has mentioned here on the first vote, it doesn't matter. The motion is carried anyway, so that's fine and we've announced that. Now, for the second vote, the one that we just had now on the ccNSO Study Group and the Use of Country and Territory Names, the motion is carried which means the statement is ratified.

So let's move onto the next one, which is the Draft Final Report on Universal Acceptance of IDN TLDS, IDN top-level domains. I open the floor for discussion. Rinalia Abdul Rahim?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: The Joint Implementation Group of the ccNSO and the GNSO has produced a final report on universal acceptance of IDN TLDs. Now, the ALAC is on record for supporting IDNS in general, and we basically learned that without policies and mechanisms and solutions for universal acceptance of IDN TLDs, it is not possible to use IDNs.

And so this report is quite important in terms of its recommendations and therefore we have drafted a response in support of those recommendations. If I may, I'd just like to read the short statement that is drafted for ALAC ratification.

It says, "The ALAC is of the view that the implementation of policies that support the universal acceptance of IDNs is crucial for the success and uptake of IDN gTLDs and IDN ccTLDs. We therefore support the recommendations of the JIG in its final report on universal acceptance of IDN TLDs. We urge ICANN to leverage its influence and resources to promote and support the universal acceptance of IDN TLDs broadly as described in the report towards ensuring user access and utilization of IDN TLDs as well as a consistent, predictable and secure user experience." Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Rinalia. Are there any questions? I see no one putting their hand up, so I guess we can start proceeding with the vote. I would like to have a proposer, please. Rinalia Abdul Rahim. And a seconder? Holly Raiche. And all those who vote in favor, would you please put your card up and vote on the Draft Final Report on Universal Acceptance of IDN TLDs.

HEIDI ULLRICH: For those in favor, I see Sala, Dev, Yaovi, Alan, Evan, Rinalia, Olivier, Holly, Natalia. Okay.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Heidi. Any remote participants that are voting, please.

MATT ASHTIANI: Tijani Ben Jemaa also votes yes.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: In the meantime, whilst we have this going on, I can open up and let members know that we have one more vote that is coming up and that is the Thick WHOIS GNSO Policy Development Process. Yes, that's correct. So invite all members to make themselves aware of that statement. I know Alan is frowning at the moment. I don't believe that a vote has been taken on this yet and that was due in on the 13th of this month. It's a very long statement. Several words.

ALAN GREENBERG: The statement should not need to be longer than the recommendation, and it was a very short recommendation.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Well we might have a debate on whether the statement should be slightly longer or shorter because I've managed to add a few words.

ALAN GREENBERG: Olivier, you've already tried twice to make it longer and [inaudible] down each time.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I'll try again.

ALAN GREENBERG: As is traditional.

YAOVI ATOHOUN: I need to go out for 15 minutes, so I would like to ask Dev to be a proxy for the vote.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Yaovi. I note that we don't have specific rules regarding this. However, if no one objects around the room for Dev to be the proxy for Yaovi to vote in the next vote. I see no objections. Okay, thank you. Thank you, Yaovi. Okay, Matt, do we have the answer from?

MATT ASHTIANI: Yes. In the vote of the Draft Final Report on Universal Acceptance of IDN TLDs, we have it motioned by Rinalia Abdul Rahim. It has been seconded by Holy Raiche. And in favor, I have Sandra Hoferichter, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yaovi Atohoun, Alan Greenberg, Evan Leibovitch, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Holly Raiche, Natalia Enciso, Tijani Ben Jemaa, and Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Matt. Now I will ask anyone who is against this motion to please raise their card or inform Matt via the online facility. I

don't see anyone putting their hand up. Any abstentions? I see no abstentions, so the motion is carried. Thank you very much. And that means that the statement is ratified. Thank you very much, everyone.

So now we're moving to the At-Large Thick WHOIS. Since Matt has got three pairs of hands and only one computer, which is where the problem is, I will put that link over to the Adobe. It's put on there. It's on the Adobe now. You can just click on it and you'll find it.

At-Large Thick WHOIS Initial Report. GNSO policy development process. And we have a first draft that was submitted by Alan Greenberg which says, "The ALAC strongly supports the recommendation to require Thick WHOIS for all gTLDs." Full stop.

There is a friendly amendment that is underneath there which recommends the following. "In line with our previous statements and correspondence and a list of statements in correspondence, the ALAC strongly supports the recommendation to require Thick WHOIS for all gTLDs." Full stop. Rinalia Abdul Rahim?

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: I disagree with the amendment in the way that it is positioned because the main point is at the bottom. If we are to make any amendments, the main point needs to be at the top and the appendix is basically the list if it is agreeable to the group that we should have this amendment. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: As point of order, it's normally the practice to actually have someone make the motion and second it, and then if it's a friendly amendment to ask the motioner and seconder whether it is indeed friendly or not. To make it clear, I make the motion. Does anyone second it? It's now on the table.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So Alan makes the motion. We have Evan, Sala, and Rinalia having seconded it.

ALAN GREENBERG: Now what is your friendly amendment?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. The friendly amendment was to have the text which you can see on screen added below. However, I take note of the friendly amendment to the friendly amendment, which was suggested, which was to swap the first line of the statement with the last line of the statement. Swap them over so that the statement reads, "The ALAC strongly supports the recommendation to require Thick WHOIS for all gTLDs." And then underneath that, "In line with our previous statements and correspondence," and just list those statements and correspondence.

ALAN GREENBERG: If you don't list them, I am happy to accept it as a friendly amendment.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So Alan, so you're amending – or you're proposing that we basically – just to make sure everyone understands, you're proposing we have two lines instead of the lines plus the list underneath.

ALAN GREENBERG: I am simply indicating what I would consider a friendly amendment. The friendly amender could choose to maintain what the friendly amender originally proposed, or alter it for the issue of expediency.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. So the friendly amender is proposing, therefore…

ALAN GREENBERG: Excuse me. I've been sitting in GNSO meetings yesterday. I understand process.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: For the purpose of trying to simplify things, would anything that's in blue on the screen at the moment, if all of that was deleted, that would leave the statement that says, "The ALAC strongly supports the recommendation to require Thick WHOIS for all gTLDs in line with our previous statements and correspondence." Full stop.

ALAN GREENBERG: Considered friendly.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. Could I ask staff to please amend the statement as it was just discussed now?

MATT ASHTIANI: Could you please state it as you would like it recorded?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Matt. I have just said it, but okay. "The ALAC strongly supports the recommendation to require Thick WHOIS for all gTLDs." Comma, no comma. No comma, okay. "In line with our previous statements and correspondence." Full stop and scrap everything else. Evan Leibovitch, you're saying there is. I have one person telling me there's no comma and one saying there is. Come on, this is getting silly. Please, we want to get through this. Thank you.

All right. Let's start this. So, all those in favor of voting for this as stated on the screen, please raise your card now.

HEIDI ULLRICH: In the room I have in favor of the At-Large Thick WHOIS Initial Final Report, I have Sala. Dev, what are you indicating? Okay, he's proxy for Yaovi and Dev. Alan, Evan, Rinalia, Olivier, Holly, Natalia. And the online votes, Matt? Online we have in favor Sandra and Eduardo.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: And for those of you waiting, we're just waiting for Eduardo's vote to come through.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Tijani indicated his support for the statement. Rinalia proposed and Holly seconded. Okay.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Go ahead, Matt. Could you please read to the record the votes in favor?

MATT ASHTIANI: In the ALAC statement on the Thick WHOIS Initial Report GNSO Policy Development Process, we have a motion put forward by Alan Greenberg. It has been seconded by Rinalia Abdul Rahim in addition to Evan Leibovitch and Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro. For yes I have Sandra Hoferichter, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yaovi Atohoun, Alan Greenberg, Evan Leibovitch, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Holly Raiche, Natalia Enciso, Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro, and Tijani Ben Jemaa. We have no abstentions and no votes against. We have not yet voted on that. I have lost my mind. I apologize.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. I was wondering where Matt got these ones. So all those votes against the motion, could you please raise your hand now or your card or online.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I have no votes against the statement.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you. And anybody abstaining?

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HEIDI ULLRICH: I see no abstentions.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Heidi. So the motion is carried and therefore the statement is ratified. That closes our round of our ratifications of four statements I believe today. Well done, everyone. Yes, Rinalia, you have the floor.

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Thank you, Olivier. I keep hearing you confusing me with other people. It's quite interesting. At the last meeting in Beijing, I had flagged the issue that the conflicting meetings make it really an unpleasant experience for us to conduct our voting, which is a real problem. And I wish that we can come up with a solution, because I would prefer to have the ALAC members at the table so that we can do this as the committee itself.

And I understand that we have members participating in different important groups within ICANN, but I think we must address the scheduling issue in a better way. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Rinalia. I see Matt having put his hand up and we've also got Garth Bruen. We'll start with Matt first.

MATT ASHTIANI: We have a comment from Sandra Hoferichter. Sandra states, "I have a proposal for the future. Can we announce in advance which issues we are going to vote on when we meet face-to-face? It is not stated or linked in the agenda, and if I was not able to follow the discussion about a certain issue, I have only a very limited knowledge about it. Reading the statements in advance might help me to vote."

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sandra, for this comment. The answer is yes. Not only that, I do apologize that there was a gap between policy, implementation, and execution in this round. Hopefully in Buenos Aires, there will not be. Garth Bruen?

GARTH BRUEN: Thank you, Olivier. On this point, it should be noted that there are perfectly competent RALO officers at this table who can't vote but would be available to attend meetings in place of ALAC.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Garth. That's a very good point and it will be taken as well. Of course once we have our new rules of procedure coming up, we will have the ability to have proxies and that will be a bit more easy to implement than at current when we don't have proxies and we just have to ask each time on a case by case basis whether there is any objection. Any other comments on this?

With regards to Rinalia's point, I do have to make the point that this agenda is set up in advance and this time is blocked as soon as we ask

for all of our chunks of blocks that we need. Something like two months in advance. Every single other meeting that comes up on that morning is added after we have set up our agenda.

So we don't clash with the others. The others clash with us, and I'm really sorry about this, but this is a problem. One of the possible solutions is what might have been decided if we had actually touched on that subject as the bring back Fridays possible solution. I open the floor for a minute if you wish to discuss this. Is it your wish to discuss this, Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro?

SALANIETA TAMANIKAIWAIMARO: Thank you very much, Olivier. I find that for the schedule, aside from – in my short life within ICANN and At-Large, I find that there's a really marked distinction between the five day and the four day. I'm finding that there are more clashes and we're forced to meet at 5:00 a.m. Anytime between 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Traditionally, even within the five-day meetings, I mean we're still busy and there's no doubt about that. We'll always be busy. But the four days is really putting pressure – intense pressure – and making us really lose out on participating. And whilst we can attend a meeting and be on three Adobes, it still doesn't allow us the time that's needed to substantially input into the policy process, Olivier. I really agree with Rinalia. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sala. Any other points or questions? I wouldn't say there's any questions on this. We certainly do all feel a strain on this and it's a very tough schedule. Alan Greenberg.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I certainly am not going to defend conflicts. I've gone to a two and three dimensional chart for this meeting for my conflicts, so I sympathize. I think part of the problem in this case is we seem to have a bifurcated method. That means two ways, like the forked tongue of a serpent of addressing votes on statements. Either we do it elongated over five days electronically or we say we're going to do it instantaneously here. Our new rules do allow us to take instantaneous here and stretch it out over the next day or so to capture additional votes, which will help. But we also have other methodology such as e-mail or something like that, or even Skype because we can capture the Skype chat. And maybe we need to be a bit more flexible to accommodate the schedules that do exist as opposed to taking the "let's do it instantaneously" or stretch it out over a week. You stretch it out over a week, if you don't vote immediately, forget about it. Then you find out you didn't vote. At least that's what happens with me.

So I think we need to look at the methodology. It's not only a matter of scheduling. We can do this in a more humane way. And since we're asking for humane treatments from other parts of ICANN, perhaps we should do it to our own members.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. I do note that in the past, we have had I think one or two online votes during the ICANN week and it was very difficult to get the last votes to come through because people's mailboxes just tend to explode at that point.

ALAN GREENBERG: That's why I'm not necessarily suggesting e-mail as the only possible method. And big pulse and reminders with e-mail is just as bad. We can be flexible. We don't need to discuss the details here.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. Matt Ashtiani for remote. Okay, thank you. Anyone else? Dev was hesitant. Dev Anand Teelucksingh?

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you. Just thinking what Alan was saying. I'm yes, in a sense yes, announcing at the beginning of the meeting that we can have the vote and people can send in via e-mail and so forth. A potential downside of that is of course if during the discussions during the meeting we may need to revisit, because we get new information and our perspective may completely change, and therefore…so that's the only downside that I've mattered. I do endorse Sandra's comment, though.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Dev. I think we all endorse Sandra's comment. The fact is, yes, we were meant to do this. It just fell through. We will have this in the future. And sometimes there are some statements which are added at the very last moment when we draft a statement on a Wednesday night or sometimes for some on Thursday morning 20 minutes before the wrap-up starts. Okay. I think we can move on to—

RINALIA ABDUL RAHIM: Olivier, I'm sorry to interrupt. Could you state that as an action item, please, in terms of what we will do in the future?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Rinalia, I don't think we need this as an action item. This is a procedure which has always been pursued. Just filling up more action items that we are aware of are quite obvious and need to be done, it's not policy. This is execution, implementation. Alan Greenberg?

ALAN GREENBERG: I volunteer to have an action item with my name on it to follow up and make sure we don't forget about it.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Alan. So could you please state the action item clearly as you want it recorded?

ALAN GREENBERG: Alan Greenberg will follow up on options for carrying out votes during and associated with ICANN meetings.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you. And I think we can now move with item number 4. Is that correct?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes. So this item is Chair's Announcement.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Just two things. Prior to that – and I think it's the right time right now to just have a little…I thought we would take 67 seconds. Was that in your plan? So as you know, today is Nelson Mandela's birthday. Wait, wait. Don't start clapping just now. And of course there's a significance with 67 seconds. So the proposal is that we stand up and clap for Nelson Mandela's birthday for 67 seconds.

ALAN GREENBERG: I'm delighted. I just recall that I did want one minute of the committee's time before I leave and I am leaving relatively shortly.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: You'll have it in one minute and seven seconds. How's that?

ALAN GREENBERG: That's perfect.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: We've got a timer. Nelson Mandela's birthday. [applause] I point out that does say 67 minutes. [applause] Thank you very much, everyone. And just for the record, for those who haven't seen, Matt had put 67 minutes of this. Thank you.

MATT ASHTIANI: And for the record, I noticed and I was watching the counter. Best I can do on short notice.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. So this is the Chair's Announcement as part of the meeting. In addition to Nelson Mandela, we have some other special announcements. We have another birthday today to celebrate. Tijani, could we have you stand up, please? We also had a belated birthday for Olivier on the 9th of July. So Olivier, can I ask you to stand up, please. And we have Gisela on the line. So Gisela, can I hand this to you and invite everyone? Go ahead Gisela.

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: Thank you. Hi, I hope you can hear me.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We can hear you perfectly. Thank you.

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: I'd like to invite everyone who's in the room to join us in singing Happy Birthday to Olivier and to Tijani. Let's go!

HEIDI ULLRICH: Stand up, please.

PARTICIPANTS: Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday dear Olivier and Tijani. Happy birthday to you!

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: Hip, hip, hip, hooray for Olivier and Tijani. [applause]

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Gisela. We have a beautiful cake in front of us. Gisela, if you can't see that, I think you may be able to see that though.

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: I can see it. Ooh!

HEIDI ULLRICH: It's gorgeous.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: How does Gisela do this?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Even virtually she can do this.

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: I love these cameras in the room.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Gisela, can you hear everyone speaking or just through the microphone?

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: Just when you speak through the microphone.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Gisela, thank you very much. I don't know how you do this. Evan just suggested that this was 3-D printing, but I'm sure you sent the best chocolate, the best cream, the best fruits as well. I don't know how you can print fruit. Thank you very much for this. I'm very touched of course. It's been a long week for all of us, including you. So thanks to everyone.

This sort of thing is the perk of the job and what makes it all worthwhile, along of course with the showcases which I'm sorry, you can't up the showcases. That's another level. Yeah. Thank you very much to everyone. Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you, Olivier. So in recognition of your birthday, we have a card for you. We also have on its way to your place in [inaudible], we have a print of one your favorite pictures. It's the paintings. It's the [inaudible] Garden of Paradise for you. Just so everyone knows what that is…

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's At-Large. [laughter]

HEIDI ULLRICH: We had indicated that, yes. We had seen that connection.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much. It's really a [inaudible]. I experienced those two last years very difficult moments as a person in my family, and I felt how we are family inside this group. Always Gisela, Heidi, Olivier, all persons

who knows about my problems always ask about my wife, about me. And it is very really a [moment]. Thank you very much and I hope that this family will be family forever. Forever. Thank you. [applause]

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you, Tijani. And in recognition of your birthday today, we have a card again signed by everyone and some gifts for you. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much. Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: So as soon as we find some plates and some knives and some forks, we will be blowing out – actually, we can blow out the candles now and then we'll be serving this cake. Thank you. Gisela, can you see?

GISELA GRUBER-WHITE: I'm here.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So this was policy. Now we're going to have implementation. Do we want consensus on this? This was policy, the blowing of the candles. Now we have implementation and that's going to be another matter. I'm not quite sure whether we just let staff do it or whether it's volunteers that have to…

ALAN GREENBERG: We have to create a Cake Cutting Working Group.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: There's a motion for a Cake Cutting Working Group seconded by Dev. Fantastic. Vetoed by Alan. Tijani wishes to write the Charter. These people are insane.

HEIDI ULLRICH: There wasn't a drafting team.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks to everyone. We actually officially have to close this meeting because all of that is currently being transcribed and interpreted forever. So whatever exotic things we come up with here is actually archived and all that stuff.

So thanks to everyone for this week. It's been an enormous amount of work for everyone. I think that we're all still smiling and that's because we're smiling because we just are glad we're nearing the end of this. It's been a pretty intense week for everyone. I hope that it's been a week that you've found helpful and you've seen that we've worked an enormous amount, but we're not only making progress but being heard as a community and things are moving in the right direction. The road is still long.

I think we're reaching the end of the tunnel. That's one thing. Now we really have to make sure we continue in the path that we're setting. I see everyone just is fighting here for the cake. You're of course all

welcome to have a slice of the cake. With this, I guess we can now – yes, one last thing of course. We have to thank the cake cutter, Heidi Ullrich. Thank you very much, Heidi. Thank all of the At-Large staff who have been working day and night, and they really do work day and night because at nighttime, they try and fix the things that we break in the day. So they're really great and it's been really fantastic. Thank you very much, Gisela, who has been up day and night and still running things remotely. We hope to be having sooner a new member of At-Large as well. It's great to hear that.

Finally thanks to the audio-visual staff who have done wonders even when things broke down for a split second. Someone teleported over to the middle and fixed things. That was really fantastic. And of course you know who the last but not least, the interpreters who make our life so much easier. Thank you very, very much. And of course once we close this meeting, you're very welcome to all come and have a slice of the case. But of course you'll have it in your respective languages. Thank you, everyone, and see you all in Buenos Aires. Thank you, bye, bye. This meeting is now closed.

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