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Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. We will start in one minute.

Good morning, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. This is the opening and rejoining of the LACRALO General Assembly. We started a session yesterday and we're looking to continue where we left off now, so I want to do a roll call since we are now in a different room. So...

Matt Ashtiani: Hi, this is Matt Ashtiani for the record. I will just be doing the basics to get the meeting started. Please remember to state your name before you speak every time. Please be sure to speak slowly and clearly and remember that our interpreters have to both listen to what you're saying as well as say it to another person, so I know we have some fast speakers including myself – please take that into account.

Also I think roll call yesterday took a little bit too long, so on my part what I've done is created this spreadsheet that's currently being projected. This is a list of all the LACRALO ALSes as well as their authorized representative as I have it. If you are here representing the ALS and you are the authorized representative, please let me know. If you are the authorized representative of the ALS but the name listed on

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the spreadsheet is different please let me know. Hopefully this will allow us to move forward more quickly.

So I'll just do it. Number 28, Association Ecuatoriana de Derecho Informatico y Telecomunicaciones, here?

Jose Luis Barzallo: Excuse me, could you please repeat the name?

Silvia Vivanco: Association Ecuatoriana de Derecho Informatico y Telecomunicaciones,

Jose Luis Barzallo: Present here. For the record Jose Luis Barzallo here, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion Costarricense de Derecho Informatico. Asociacion Colombiana de usuarios de Internet.

Antonio Medina: Antonio Medina Gomez, Colombian Association of Internet Users – Antonio Medina Gomez.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion CONEXION al Desarrollo El Salvador.

Gilberto Lara: Here, Gilberto Lara present here.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion de Derecho Informatico de Argentina.

Guillermo Zamora: Guillermo Zamora, please.

Silvia Vivanco: AGEIA DENSI Brasil?

Juan Manuel Rojas: Juan Manuel Rojas by proxy.

Silvia Vivanco: AGEIA DENSI Argentina?

Fatima Cambronero: Fatima Cambronero.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion de Derecho e Informatica de Chile?

Humberto Carrasco: Present, Humberto Carrasco.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion Internauta?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Sergio Salinas Porto, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion Venezolana de Derecho Informatico y Nuevas Tecnologias (AVIDENT)?

Jose Olvidio Salgueiro: Jose Olvidio Salgueiro present.

Silvia Vivanco: AUI Peru?

Johnny Laureano: Johnny Laureano, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Asociacion Paraguaya de Derecho Informatico Y (APADIT)?

Natalia Enciso: Natalia Enciso.

Silvia Vivanco: BANGO – Barbados Association of Non-Governmental Organizations?

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Barbados Association of Non-Governmental Organizations.

Silvia Vivanco: Barbados ICT Professionals Association.

Andre Griffith: Present, the name just has to change to Andre Griffith.

Matt Ashtiani: Thank you.

Silvia Vivanco: Cetic AJB?

Marcelo Telez: Marcelo Telez, Argentina, present.

Silvia Vivanco: DevNET.

Lance Hinds: Lance Hinds, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Fundacion Incluirme? IBDI – Instituto Brasileiro de Direito da Informatica?

Raquel Gatto: Raquel Gatto by proxy. With double “t” please.

Silvia Vivanco: ICT4D Jamaica?

Zelris Lawrence: Present, Zelris Lawrence. Thank you.

Silvia Vivanco: IIDISI – Instituto Iberoamericano de Investigacion Para la Sociedad de la Informacion?

Alberto Soto: Alberto Soto.

Silvia Vivanco: Information Society of Barbados?

Michael Ford: Michael Ford.

Silvia Vivanco: Information Technology Professional’s Society of Trinidad & Tobago?

Cintra Sooknanan: My name is Cintra Sooknanan. At this meeting I will be representing them, thank you.

Silvia Vivanco: Internauta Brasil, Associacao Usuarios Internet do Brasil.

Sylvia Herlein Leite: Present, Sylvia Herlein Leite.

Silvia Vivanco: Internauta Chile?

Javier Chandia Rojas: Present, Javier Chandia Rojas.

Silvia Vivanco: Internauta Venezuela?

Sergio Bronstein: Sergio Bronstein here.

Silvia Vivanco: ISOC Argentina?

Fatima Cambronero: Fatima Cambronero by proxy.

Silvia Vivanco: ISOC Ecuador?

Ana Sanchez: Ana Sanchez, present.

Silvia Vivanco: ISOC Peru?

Freddy Linaries Torres: Present, Freddy Linaries Torres.

Silvia Vivanco: JCI Ecuador?

Wladimir Davalos: Wladimir Davalos, present.

Silvia Vivanco: NEXTI – The Organizacao das Executivas de Tecnologia da Informacao e Comunicacao. Red Internacional de Diseno (enREDo)?

Alfredo Lopez Hernandez: Alfredo Lopez, present.

Silvia Vivanco: The University of West Indies?

Alfredo Lopez Hernandez: Excuse me, there is a misspelling in the name. Alfredo Lopez Hernandez please.

Silvia Vivanco: The University of West Indies?

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels.

Silvia Vivanco: TTCS – Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society?

Jacqueline Morris: Jacqueline Morris, present.

Silvia Vivanco: USUARIA – Asociacion Argentina de Usuarios de la Informatica y las Comunicaciones?

Raul Bauer: Raul Bauer, present.

Silvia Vivanco: AGEIA DENSI Colombia?

Juan Manuel Rojas: Juan Manuel Rojas, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Costa Rica Society for Internet Development? Internet Society, Trinidad & Tobago Chapter?

Tracy Hackshaw: Tracy Hackshaw, present.

Silvia Vivanco: Okay, so thank you.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Silvia and Matt. Okay, we will continue where we left off. We were looking at the various proxies and there's been several more proxies issued, and I'm going to post in the Adobe Chat...

[background conversation]

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Carlton, go ahead.

Carlton Samuels: Before you go I move a motion to declare the number of countries with accredited At-Large Structures present and voting in this room.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Just to clarify, Carlton – you're asking for the, can you just repeat that?

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels for the record. Our voting procedures require a country coefficient. The country coefficient is determined by the

number of At-Large Structures in countries accredited. This is a requirement for any voting procedure in this Assembly with the exception of procedural motions.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: That is correct, Carlton, and the number of countries with ALSes is fifteen.

Carlton Samuels: For the record there are fifteen countries with accredited At-Large Structures in the Latin America and Caribbean Regional At-Large Organization. Those are so noted.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Carlton.

This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh, I've just posted into the chat room a link to the Wiki page where you can find the proxies that were received. So what I did last night after what happened yesterday, I went through the entire emails and added those that were received this morning and last night.

So but for the record, several ALSes have submitted proxies: ISOC Argentina, Fundacion Incluirme, Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society, IBDI, ISOC Trinidad & Tobago, and AGEIA DENSI Brazil. In regards to ISOC Argentina, Monica Abalo Laforgia, the president of the ISOC Argentine chapter, had submitted a proxy for Fatima and again, the text of the email is there and everyone can now see what that text says.

Now, the confusion was that two emails were sent – one was sent literally ten minutes before the LACRALO General Assembly and this led to confusion as to which one was the correct one. So the second one is the one received and Fatima has now confirmed that this is the proxy she’s accepted. As per Rule 1.6 each ALS can only get one proxy vote. Subsequently, for Fundacion Incluirme, they have also given a proxy to Fatima Cambronero. So but since Fatima has picked that one and since Fundacion Incluirme has not responded, Fundacion Incluirme’s proxy vote will not be considered.

With regards to the Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society... Okay, I just noticed that Vanda is now in the room so just to acknowledge her as part of NEXTI, so that’s all. As I was continuing, the Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society, Jacqueline Morris will be the TTCS rep. IBDI – Omar Kaminski has confirmed that Raquel Gatto is acting as proxy, and Raquel is here. Can you identify yourself just for the record?

Raquel Gatto: Okay, Raquel Gatto, present.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Raquel – this is Dev. And ISOC Trinidad & Tobago has confirmed that Tracy Hackshaw will be the second ALS representative for ISOC Trinidad & Tobago.

Tracy Hackshaw: Tracy Hackshaw, present.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Sure, go ahead Cintra.

Cintra Sooknanan: I just wanted a point of clarification. You said that there was a proxy for ISOC TT. It's not a proxy; it is just a change of representative for the purposes of this meeting. Thank you.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Indeed. It was just that the subject line had that message so it was cataloged with it as such. And also finally, AGEIA DENSI Brazil – the proxy was given to Juan Manuel Rojas, who is present. Now, are there any queries regarding the proxies? Has everyone reviewed their text? Going once, going twice, going thrice? Very well. Very well, all proxies have now been accepted.

Moving on to Agenda Item #3 – election of the Chair, two Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur. As per our rules of procedure, the Secretariat elects people to Chair... Wladimir, go ahead?

Wladimir Davalos: Thank you, Dev. My name is Wladimir Davalos; I just have a question or just a question so as to start with the voting points of the agenda. I would like to know, or I would like you to inform us of what is the voting power that we have in this meeting?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh. The voting power is that each ALS has one vote. The votes for procedural motions are counted as such for

procedural motions; however, for other motions, Rule 12.9 applies which applies a country coefficient to each ALS. And that is determined by the country weight. I can put up a chart to explain it – would you like me to do so, Wladimir? Yes?

Wladimir Davalos: Yes, please.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, I'll just bring it up on the screen and post it in the chat. This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh – I just posted a link in the chat there.

Thank you. So there are fifteen countries with At-Large Structures and you can see the list of the countries on the first sheet, #1. And so 100 divided by the number of countries covered by the LACRALO membership is 6.667. These are the number of At-Large structures in each of those countries and therefore the country weight is the percentage, 6.667, divided by the number of ALSes. So the raw ALS votes or the numerical ALS votes will then be multiplied by the country coefficient to obtain the weighted vote.

So Wladimir, do you understand it?

Wladimir Davalos: Yes, perfect.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand. Any other questions? Very well. And Jose, it's not that formal, don't worry.

Very well. For the election of Chair, two Vice-Chairs and the Rapporteur, the floor is open for the election of the Chair. It should be a formality. So does anyone wish to offer a nomination? Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to nominate Jose Arcé as Chair; you, Dev Anand... Do we have to nominate you right now?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Well remember to say your name first for the transcript records.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Oh sorry, for the records I am Sergio Salinas Porto. You actually know that you will remain being the Secretary, so it's great having you as a Secretary; and on the other hand I would like to nominate Jose Francisco Arcé for the Chair or the Presidency of the General Assembly.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Sorry, thank you Sergio. So we have received a nomination of Jose Arcé for Chair. Is there a seconder? Vanda?

Vanda Scartezini: I second.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, seconded by Vanda. So Marcelo?

Marcelo Telez: For the record I am Marcelo Telez. What Matt is typing is motion for the Chair of the General Assembly of LACRALO.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand. If you look at the rules it does say that the Secretariat has to elect the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs and then the Rapporteur. And once there's agreement by the Assembly then the Chair takes over the Assembly. Is that clear? Okay, so we have one... I just want to have the two Vice-Chairs, so whoever has a nomination for a Vice-Chair. Cintra?

Cintra Sooknanan: This is Cintra Sooknanan. I would like to nominate Sylvia Herlein Leite.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, I have a motion for Sylvia Herlein Leite for Vice-Chair. Is there a seconder? Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: I would like to second Cintra's proposal for Sylvia Herlein as Vice-Chair of the General Assembly.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you. And with Sylvia we need to nominate one more Vice-Chair. Any more nominations? Humberto Carrasco?

Humberto Carrasco: Sorry, it's Humberto Carrasco – otherwise I would be like the singer. Thank you very much. I would like to nominate Roosevelt as Vice-Chair.

Sergio Bronstein: Sergio Bronstein – I second the motion.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: We have a nomination of Roosevelt King for Vice-Chair as well and seconded by Sergio Bronstein. Now we have to elect the Rapporteur. Is there any nomination? Okay, this is Dev Anand... Jacqueline, go ahead.

Jacqueline Morris: Jacqueline Morris, point of order. Do the nominees have to accept or decline their nomination or-

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Yes, after we got all the positions then I was going to ask does anybody wish to decline. So that was all – I wanted to get everything up on one screen first before going in. So, nominations for Rapporteur? Antonio Medina Gomez? Sorry?

Antonio Medina: I am Antonio Medina Gomez for the record. I would like to propose Sergio Bronstein as the Rapporteur for the General Assembly.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, Sergio Bronstein nominated as the Rapporteur. I saw some hands – was that a seconder? Oh. Ana?

Ana Sanchez: I am Ana from Ecuador and I am in favor of the motion.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Vanda?

Vanda Scartezini: This is Vanda; I need an explanation. It's the LACRALO General Assembly. We vote in some candidates. It's not a conflict of interests to have those candidates chairing or vice-chairing or being a Rapporteur or any position in that Assembly?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Sorry, Vanda, I guess I'm trying to hear clearly. Can you repeat the query? Sorry.

Vanda Scartezini: Yes. Just an explanation: in this Assembly we're going to have the election of LACRALO President and other positions in the LACRALO?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Vanda, now I understand. I would say no and well again, that motion to suspend Rule 13 is on the agenda; that will up for the discussion. And so I don't think there is a conflict of interest but again. So Sergio, you had your hand raised?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, hello? For the records my name is Sergio Salinas Porto. I would like to nominate for the Rapporteur position Humberto Carrasco. That's all.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Marcelo?

Marcelo Telez: For the records Marcelo Telez. I second Sergio Salinas Porto's motion of Humberto as the Rapporteur.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: I see that's being recorded onscreen; thanks, Matt. This is Dev. Okay, so any other nominations? Very well. So for the Chair we have Jose Arcé for the Chair of this Assembly. Is there anyone... Perhaps I should word it like this: is there anyone that objects or who wants to abstain? Sergio Bronstein, sorry?

Sergio Bronstein: Yes, I wouldn't like to take any positions; I'd rather have an [abstention].

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, sorry – (inaudible), I don't know if you wish to... Okay. Well then I think by consensus, given that there's been no votes saying "no" I believe that Jose Arcé will be Chair of this Assembly. Regarding the election of the Vice-Chair, the motion was for Sylvia Herlein Leite which was proposed by Cintra Sooknanan and seconded by Sergio Salinas Porto. Are there any objections?

Very well. There being no objections, Sylvia Herlein Leite is the Vice-Chair for this LACRALO General Assembly. Can you scroll down again? For the second Vice-Chair the nomination is for Roosevelt King for Vice-Chair. It was proposed by Humberto Carascos and seconded by Sergio Bronstein. Is there any objection?

Roosevelt King: Chair, I would definitely not like to accept the post at this point in time.

Matt Ashtiani: Hi, this is Matt Ashtiani from staff. Can you please speak up a little bit, Roosevelt?

Roosevelt King: Yeah, sorry – Roosevelt King for the record. I would not like to accept that position at this point in time, please. Can I nominate someone else in my place at this point?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand; yes, you can.

Roosevelt King: In that case I would like to nominate Andre Griffith.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, the nomination by Roosevelt is for Andre Griffith since Roosevelt has declined Vice-Chair. Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: For the record this is Sergio Salinas Porto. I second Roosevelt's motion.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: So we have a second by Sergio Salinas Porto for Andre Griffith as the Vice-Chair. Are there any objections? Very well. Andre, you have been nominated as the second Vice-Chair.

Andre Griffith: Andre Griffith for the record – I accept.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Andre. Now for the election of Rapporteur, we have two candidates for the Rapporteur. The two candidates was Sergio Bronstein for the Rapporteur nominated by Antonio Medina Gomez, seconded by Ana Sanchez. And the second person – down, sorry, thanks – the second candidate is Humberto Carrasco for the Rapporteur nominated by Sergio Salinas Porto, seconded my Marcelo Telez. Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Chair, for the record I am Sergio Salinas Porto. He's just mentioned his willingness of not participating in any position within the General Assembly, Sergio Bronstein, so that motion is removed and we have just one candidate: Humberto Carrasco.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: I understand what you said, Sergio, but I didn't interpret Sergio's expression as that. I thought Sergio Bronstein was expressing his not willing to vote regarding the Chair. Sergio Bronstein, can you clarify? Did you decline the Rapporteur?

Sergio Bronstein: Yes, I did. I declined.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Fine, well then that one is declined. So then Humberto Carrasco for Rapporteur. Are there any objections? Having none Humberto Carrasco is the Rapporteur for this General Assembly.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you, Mr. Chairman – I do accept the nomination of being the Chairman of the General Assembly today. So thank you very much.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Thank you, Jose.

Sylvia Herlein Leite: Mr. Chairman, I request the floor.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Sure.

Sylvia Herlein Leite: Thank you. I would like to accept the nomination for the first Vice-Chair of the LACRALO General Assembly.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: And Andre Griffith also accepted his vote as second Vice-Chair.

Very well. Now that the Chair, two Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur have now been elected by the General Assembly I now turn the Chair to Jose Arcé to continue the [meeting]. Jose, you have the Chair.

Humberto Carrasco: Excuse me, Mr. Secretary – I wanted to formally accept the position as Rapporteur.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: I'm sorry, I thought you said it already – my apologies. Very well, thank you for putting it on the record.

Matt Ashtiani: Sorry, Matt Ashtiani – for the record can you please state your name so it'll be on the record of you actually accepting?

Humberto Carrasco: This is Humberto Carrasco and I confirm that I accept the position as Rapporteur. Thank you.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Yes, sorry – to conclude, Jose, you’re now the Chair and can continue the agenda. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Thank you, Dev – this is Jose Arcé now speaking. First of all, welcome to this General Assembly. I want to make some points of clarification before starting in my capacity as Chair. Although these points of clarification are part of our rules of procedure but they are necessary. This Assembly is going to be governed by our Operating Principles, our Memorandum of Understanding, our Rules of Procedures, the UN or UNESCO rules and the UN rules.

If anyone is willing to make a comment on the rules that will govern this General Assembly please feel free to do so now. Please say your name for the record.

Guillermo Zamora: Mr. Chair, I am Guillermo Zamora for the record. I want to say that apart from the Rules of Procedure, the LACRALO Rules of Procedure and the UN Rules of Procedure we should also contemplate the memorandum signed in Mexico and the agreement between ICANN and LACRALO. Thank you.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Dev Anand Teelucksingh here, LACRALO Secretariat – point of clarification. The Memorandum of Understanding was signed in December 2006 in Sao Paolo, Brazil, so I’m not sure what he’s referring to at the At-Large Summit in 2009.

Guillermo Zamora: Guillermo Zamora for the record. I mean the LACRALO Operating Principles signed...excuse me, let me see, on March 4, 2009; the Memorandum of Understanding between the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers and the Regional At-Large Associations in the Latin American and Caribbean Region.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. I thank you, Guillermo Zamora. I mentioned five documents which included these documents. I apologize if I was not clear but I included these documents in the enumeration I made of the documents that will govern this General Assembly. Is there any further question?

My next comment is the following: we are pressed for time. The General Assembly agenda requires plenty of debate and that's why in my capacity as Chair I have the power to restrict the time for each speaker. The general principle for each motion is the following: we will allow three speakers to second the motion; three speakers against; and each speaker will have four minutes to speak. So I want to make the procedure clear when it comes to dealing with motions. If anyone has anything to say on this position please feel free to do so now.

Please remember to say your name for the record.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I'm Sergio Salinas Porto for the records. I think four minutes is a long time; could we please have three minutes per

speaker? We talk quite a lot and I include myself when I say that.
Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Cintra, you have the floor – please say your name for the record.

Cintra Sooknanan: Thank you, this is Cintra Sooknanan. Jose, there was a draft agenda published to the mailing list. Can you please forward the final agenda for us?

Matt Ashtiani: Hi, this is Matt Ashtiani from staff. It's on the Wiki and staff will be placing the hyperlink in the Adobe Connect chat.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. You can also find the printout of the agenda with the documents handed out by ICANN staff on our first session. You have documents that will govern the General Assembly; we've printed them out in each language. We have the Rules of Procedure, the Operating Principles, the Memorandum of Understanding. They are printed out in Spanish and English so you may find that as well as the printout of the agenda which is also in both languages.

Cintra Sooknanan: This is Cintra Sooknanan. On review of the agenda I would like to make an amendment to the agenda, so I'd like to have a motion in order to do

so. I have proposed four motions: one was with regard to revising the definitions section of the Operating Principles and I'm not seeing that on the current agenda.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Could you please specify the point you made that you wanted to include and when you sent it?

Cintra Sooknanan: Thank you, this is Cintra Sooknanan. All the motions were sent in one single document before the deadline. It was the first motion of three. The first dealt with the definitions which is absent from this document. The second dealt with diversity and representation which I do see, and the third dealt with individual participation which is also on the agenda. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you, Cintra. The motion you are proposing should be voted on. We have to vote on the agenda, we have to adopt the agenda; so once we start adopting the agenda I will ask you to repeat your motion because we hadn't yet dealt with the agenda and with the adoption of the agenda. I was just explaining the rules that were going to govern this General Assembly so I apologize and on the basis of formalities you'll have to repeat your motion. Thank you.

Cintra Sooknanan: This is Cintra Sooknanan, much appreciated.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Our next item on the agenda is the adoption of the agenda. So Cintra, I believe you will be the first speaker to hold the floor.

Cintra Sooknanan: Yes, this is Cintra Sooknanan for the record. I just want to make a point of order with regard to the agenda for today. There is one motion that is currently absent and that is the motion to update definitions which was provided in a single document with the other two motions that are correctly placed on the agenda.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Cintra, I am looking for the document. If you have it convenient or handy can you please forward that document to me?

Cintra Sooknanan: And to Matt, thank you – this is Cintra Sooknanan.

Jose Arcé: Yes, Jacqueline?

Jacqueline Morris: Jacqueline Morris for the record. The document is actually attached to the other motions on the Wiki so you can just click through to it.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. I've just located the document and I'm now going to put a link in the chat, in the Adobe Connect chat.

Cintra Sooknanan: This is Cintra Sooknanan. Jose, may I also suggest another motion to amend the agenda by placing the item listed as #7 – Motion to Suspend Rule 13 – to the end of the proceedings? The reason being a lot of these motions deal substantively with the rules of procedure and we, in my opinion we need to use this opportunity to update the Rules of Procedure as opposed to a vote – which is important but may be possibly deferred to the list. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. The motion is received. We will first vote on the first motion and then we will vote on the second motion. While I finish reading the document which we will read and vote on, Fatima has the floor.

Fatima Cambronero: Thank you, Mr. Chair – this is Fatima Cambronero for the records. A point of clarification: whether or when we adopt or modify the Rules of Procedure, well, that order is not significant when we deal with our Operating Principles or Rules of Procedure because we all said that once we approved them, if we approved the amendments we would send that to ICANN's Legal Department for review. So the amendments do not become effective immediately.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Carlton, you have the floor.

Carlton Samuels: Thank you, Chair – Carlton Samuels for the record. In fact, the process by which you amend the Rules of Procedure has substantial impact. I would propose that all of Rule 13 is substantive. The motion to suspend Rule 12.9 is substantive – it has everything to do with what happens. I would suppose and I would support a motion to deal with all of the motions pertaining to Rules from 1 through 9 and 12 before calling for an order to suspend the motion for elections.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Sergio, go ahead please.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Thank you, Chair – Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. I want to place a motion to withdraw my request to incorporate the Suspension of Rule 13 which I myself had included, and this results from a confusion arising from an email that Dev sent which I misinterpreted. So I had to send this email, but then after reading the Rules of Procedure I realized that it was not possible. So I want to place a motion to withdraw my request to suspend Rule 13, and instead I want to immediately discuss Point #16. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. I am going to summarize the comments. Cintra put two motions: first a motion related to the motions she had presented, one of which was not available. The second motion put forth by Cintra was to defer Point #7 on the agenda till the end; then we had a point of order from Carlton Samuels to suspend Rules 1 through 12; and then we have Sergio Salinas Porto's motion... It's not a motion but he stated that he would like to withdraw his specific motion from the agenda. Carlton, okay.

Carlton Samuels: A matter of clarification, Chair. My motion is not to suspend the motions from 1 through 12, the Rules or motions from 1 through 12. My motion is to take motions pertaining to Rules 1 through 12 before the motion to suspend Rule 13. Subsequently the member from Argentina made a motion to withdraw the motion to suspend Rule 13. Thank you.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair, I ask for the floor. For the record this is Sergio Salinas Porto. What I am asking is exactly what Carlton said. I want to withdraw my request regarding Rule 13 and instead I want to rank Item #16 on the agenda first. And I would like this to be on the records, thank you.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Sergio, just to clarify – you said you wanted to discuss which point? Point #16? Just to clarify, thanks.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Sergio Salinas Porto. I would like to see Point #16 in the first place for this General Assembly.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Roosevelt?

Roosevelt King: I would suggest that the item which is now Item #17 would be the proper motion to move to Item #7, and that would also help us discuss Item #16. Because Item #16, I know we're discussing Item #16 but the substantial essence of Item #16 would be discussed by the motion which is now at #17. And I'm not sure if you get the drift... Sergio is asking to discuss Item #16 now. I am saying that the motion at #17 is really that discussion and it would incorporate that discussion.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Roosevelt, if I understood correctly you would like to see the current Item #17 to be debated instead of Point #16 or Item #16. Is that so?

Roosevelt King: Instead of discussing Item #16, the substantive matters that will come up in Item #16 are really the basis of Item #17 at this point in time. And I say it would be better to discuss Item #17 at #7 rather than trying to discuss #16, which would actually need input from Item #17 in order for there to be a discussion. Item #17 then is the substantive motion that would be congruent with what Sergio is asking.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. So we have the motions. We are going to vote now. Cintra made a motion to amend that point; that is exactly one of the motions she had made which is in the PDF file, but if I understood correctly she would like a vote on a separate motion – is that so?

Cintra Sooknanan: Cintra Sooknanan for the record. The motion I would like included was one which was augmented from the agenda, and I would like to request to please not read that motion out. It was a motion to amend the definitions section, yes.

Matt Ashtiani: Hi, this is Matt Ashtiani for the record. The motion sent in by Cintra...

[background conversation]

Matt Ashtiani: So the motion as sent to me is “The motion to update definitions in the Rules of Procedure, whereas the current definitions of the Rules of Procedure are incomplete and whereas the definitions are incompatible with ICANN bylaws and ALAC rules and procedures and resolve that the following clauses be included to update the definitions of the Rules of Procedure: “Caribbean” means all countries in the Caribbean region bounded by the Caribbean Sea, being not predominantly Spanish-

speaking and forming part of the Caribbean community; “Latin America” means all countries belonging to the Latin American region being predominantly Spanish-speaking and historically having long uninterrupted Spanish rule; “region” or “LAC” means Latin America and the Caribbean.

“These Rules of Procedure neither supersede nor aggregate any of the bylaws, rules, or procedures of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers or the At-Large Advisory Committee. The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular. The masculine gender includes the feminine and neutral genders. The word “person” includes bodies, corporate companies, partnerships, syndicates, trusts and any association of persons. And the word “individual” means a neutral person having residence or citizenship in Latin America and/or the Caribbean.”

Cintra Sooknanan: This is Cintra Sooknanan; just one correction. In the last section you said “individual means a neutral person” – that should be “individual means a natural person.”

Matt Ashtiani: Thank you, Cintra.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. So having made this point of clarification we need to vote on Cintra’s motion, so we will vote by show of hands. Please, those in favor of Cintra’s motion raise your hand.

Jose Arcé for the records. So that we can make the tally of the vote, please say your name and association. I don't know if you can start?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Okay, Dev Anand, LACRALO Secretariat just to clarify – given that there's a large number of hands probably you should ask anyone who objects to the motion.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, not just object but abstain.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Is there any abstention or do we just have Roosevelt?

Roosevelt King: I do not abstain, but I suggest in order to find the votes, the correct votes, you don't just ask about who said no but who abstains.

[background conversation]

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chairman.

Male: Mr. Chair? Roosevelt King had asked for the floor.

Jose Arcé: Roosevelt, go ahead please.

Roosevelt King: Nothing, I just wanted to find out exactly where we were in terms of the vote, if the vote is counted and if there's a result.

Jose Arcé: Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Chair, this is Sergio. We are pressed for time so could we please be faster? For the records this is Sergio Salinas Porto. Sometimes we remain silent and I really don't know what we are doing so could we please speed up our processes? Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you, but this is an internal issue with the Chair so this is just a point of clarification. In order to continue with Cintra's motion we're going to do the following, please: those against Cintra's motion please raise your hands. Is there any abstention regarding the vote on this first motion by Cintra? Okay, therefore the motion is carried.

We are now going to deal with the second motion. The second motion was to defer Item #7 to the end of the agenda. We are now going to vote on this motion. Do we have any person against this motion?

Roosevelt King: If the member, Sergio, has asked that #7 be withdrawn there's nothing... You have no substance here. There's nothing to debate, there's nothing to vote on.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you, Roosevelt. Sergio had withdrawn the motion; my apologies as a Chair. We are now going to deal with the next motion.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: This is Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. Carlton, just to clarify the motion: your motion, just to make sure that we recorded it correctly, is to place Item #7 to the end of the proceedings? Was that your motion, just to clarify on the record here.

Carlton Samuels: My motion was that we should deal with all of the substantive motions pertaining to Rules #1 through #12 before we did Rule #13, but the member has withdrawn the motion so my motion now does not have any standing. However, Chair, the motion by the member from Barbados to move Item #17 to the top of the list for discussion bears merit, and that is the motion that I think should be now on the floor.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. The motion that Sergio Salinas Porto mentioned, he removed his point on the agenda. He also made a

motion of placing Point #16 of the agenda as the next point to be discussed. We're going to vote this motion. Please show your hands, those against Sergio's motion.

Roosevelt King: Chair, please – I'm trying to find out what I'm voting on. What is Sergio's motion?

Lance Hinds: Item #16 is triggered by what was Item #7. So if Item #7 has been withdrawn is what Sergio's submitting a separate motion than #16? The language here says "If motion to suspend Rule 13 is successful, call for the nominations, elections of chair..." So can you please tell me what we are doing because by virtue of withdrawing the motion proposed in #7, if it is a motion in #16 doesn't really apply, does it?

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Sergio, would you like to in 30 seconds clarify your motion?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, we had elections, we had nominated candidates, so I would like to vote about the candidates. That's all.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. What Lance Hinds says is correct: what we can do, Sergio, we may take yours as a motion and place it after Roosevelt's motion.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, for the record this is Sergio Salinas Porto. I'm going to put a formal motion to take the elections as a first point, that's all – the election of the President and Secretary of our Latin American and Caribbean Region.

Cintra Sooknanan: Sorry, apologies – this is Cintra Sooknanan. Sergio, my understanding is that you have withdrawn your motion to amend or suspend Rule 13? That is correct, yes? Good. That being said there is no place at our General Assembly for an election because Rule 13 has specific time criteria which were not set, were not held. So I don't see how this motion can succeed. Thank you.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King. We have a problem. The problem is that if you withdraw the suspension of Rule #13, which I would question if you could suspend anyhow, it means that without having gone through the procedures as prescribed by the rules for elections that there can be no elections. And I think that the Assembly here, this can be solved simply by a motion that in the absence of elections, that those holding posts at this point in time be allowed to serve until either the next General Assembly or an appointed date where you can convene again to take the vote for the officers. According to the rules this can happen – the

election of officers does not have to happen at the General Assembly; it can happen at a special meeting called for that purpose, which the purpose will be to have elections.

So at this point in time I would think that we are at a point where we need to agree, the majority needs to agree that those serving now will continue serving and also to agree on a day or time for the election of new officers whether we have the power or the ability, capacity to carry to the next General Assembly. So the question will be whether the officers present would serve until the next General Assembly or should we fix a day for the election prior to the next General Assembly. Thanks.

Carlton Samuels: Point of order?

Jose Arcé: Yes, Carlton, you have the floor.

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels for the record. The member from Barbados is absolutely right. Having removed the motion to suspend Rule #13 which contains all of the terms by which elections can be held that is now off the table. Set Rule #13 gives you a timeline with which members must be nominated and approved for elections. Current leadership is in place until the middle of April. It therefore means that that leadership either needs to be extended in time or come the middle of April those posts will be vacant and LACRALO would be leaderless. So

the proper motion to protect is a motion to extend the offices and the mandates until we call a new election under whatever rules are existing at that time; or we defer elections through to the next General Assembly, whenever that is. One more caveat: under our rules a General Assembly can be called at any time given proper notice. General Assemblies do not need to be face-to-face.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. I'm going to have on the floor three people: we have Alberto Soto.

Alberto Soto: I am Alberto Soto for the record. The new election was carried out due to a mistake because we didn't convene the election or call the election compliant with the regulations, and this is Alberto Soto for the record. The current elections were not carried out due to an error in the Secretary for not having called the election according to the rules. We have two procedures about the elections, of carrying out the elections later and extending the period of the current officers; and there is another position which is to vote this now. Therefore this Assembly is sovereign and therefore it has the ability and the capacity to elect right now or extend the mandate of the current officers. Therefore the motion would be let's vote for extending the mandate or carrying out the elections now.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Jose Olvidio, you have the floor.

Jose Olvidio Salgueiro: This is Jose Olvidio Salgueiro. My proposal is we should decide as soon as possible because we have been discussing the agenda for one hour and we cannot go on in the same way.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé. Guillermo Zamora, you have the floor.

Guillermo Zamora: This is Guillermo Zamora for the record. At this point, as Jose Salgueiro said, we have been discussing the agenda for one hour and I am really lost. Sorry for being so honest but at the time we have three motions: one for voting, one for electing the authorities and one for suspending or removing Rule 13 and another for discussing Rule 13. So please, could you clarify that Mr. Chairman?

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. I have only two motions, two remaining motions: Mr. Roosevelt King's motion and Sergio's motion when it comes to giving priority to the elections. Those are the two motions. First of all, Natalia Enciso has the floor.

Natalia Enciso: We are quite confused and we are not reaching an agreement so I would like to resort to the UN Rules Section 415. If you let me read please: "The additional issues which are important or changed..." Again, so "The additional issues of an important nature and urgency for

inclusion in the program is requested 30 days before the opening of an organization or during an ordinary period may be included in the program if the GA therefore decides that by the majority of the present members. Unless the Assembly decides otherwise, any additional topic may not be recognized until seven days has passed after the inclusion in the program and a committee has reported about the issue.

Wladimir Davalos: We are not going on further discussions; we are going to vote on the motions that we have. Mr. President, I would like to support Sergio Salinas Porto's motion.

[background conversation]

Wladimir Davalos: I'm Wladimir Davalos, GCI Ecuador.

Jose Arcé: We're going to vote Roosevelt King's motion. He has requested to take Point #17 of the agenda to the following point – Point #7. Those against this motion...

Matt Ashtiani: Just a clarification – who seconded this motion? And also who seconded Cintra's motion that was recently passed? Thank you.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, this is Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. I would like to ask you, have you called a voting for motions, for Roosevelt's motion and therefore if this is the case have you requested the ones that are against? How are you going to proceed? Is it positive, negative or the ones in favor, the ones against and abstentions?

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Yes, I called for the voting of this motion. Matt Ashtiani has just commented just for the record. The voting is open; let's vote. We are going to vote those in favor of Roosevelt King's motion of placing Point #16 as the next point of the agenda. #17.

Carlton Samuels: Chairman, for the record... The order of the vote, thank you.

Jose Arcé: Yes, I asked to vote in favor of the motion of Roosevelt King, which is to deal with Point #17 as following Point #7 of the agenda, which is the next point to be dealt with. Those in favor... Please, who is in favor?

Roosevelt King: I'm not sure that I understand what you stated just now. You stated that it should be after #7. I was asking that the item be moved to #7 and not after #7, because #7 is no longer on the agenda. It was withdrawn.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Okay, that is #7 was removed so this is in place of point #7. Those in favor please... The ones that are against Roosevelt's motion? Any abstention? Thank you.

This is Jose Arcé for the record. Those who have proxy have raised their hand. This is the same result, isn't it?

Fatima Cambronero: I am Fatima Cambronero, AGEIA DENSI and ISOC Argentina is exactly the same vote.

Juan Manuel Rojas: It is the same vote for AGEIA Brazil and Colombia – Juan Manuel Rojas for the records.

Andre Griffith: I am Andre Griffith. There is an error made on the note there. Andre Griffith and [Michael Ford] should not be on the "no" list, okay.

Wladimir Davalos: Mr. Chairman?

Jose Arcé: Yes?

Wladimir Davalos: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Wladimir Davalos, GCI for the records. Just a correction: in the list of votes in favor, after Sylvia Herlein we

have Vanda Scartezini but Vanda is not present in the room therefore she cannot have voted.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. That's true. We are counting, we are making calculations and we haven't counted Vanda. This is a typing mistake so please, Matt, can you correct that?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, I need to go to the toilet – is it possible? [laughter] This is Sergio Salinas Porto for the record.

Jose Arcé: No, it is not allowed, Sergio. Please record that.

Carlton Samuels: Chair, this is Carlton Samuels for the record. Just to make this thing move along, Chair, can I move that we accept the procedural motion to refuse the motion by the member of Barbados is accepted and carried? It's not accepted rather. It's a procedural motion; we saw the number of hands raised, so can we just accept that it is a judgment of this Assembly that Item #17 now listed on the draft agenda may not be moved to replace Item #7. Can I make a motion that the members have said "No" to that and move forward?

Male: I second that motion.

Female: Sorry, please Carlton – can you repeat? I cannot understand.

Carlton Samuels: We are spending a lot of time on the votes and I wanted to move this along to the substantive work. It's a procedural motion. The member from Barbados made a procedural motion to remove Item #17 on the draft agenda up the agenda to the place where Item #7 is, was, because Item #7 was withdrawn. I am suggesting in the interest of moving along and the time going, to acknowledge that the member's motion was defeated so we move on.

Cintra Sooknanan: So basically, Carlton – this is Cintra Sooknanan for the record. Essentially Carlton is suggesting that we agree that Roosevelt's motion has failed and we can move on with the agenda. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé. As the Chairman of the Assembly, before taking that for granted we should show the official results and this is what we are doing right now. We have them ready? Dev, can you please read the results of the voting?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Regarding the motion, nine persons said "yes," 26 ALSes voted "no," and there were no abstentions.

[background conversation]

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: So the motion has been defeated, sorry – Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. But nine persons voting yes, 26 persons voting no and no abstentions, the motion is defeated.

Jacqueline Morris: I just have one small point of order here. Given that we had an election before – Jacqueline Morris for the record. Given that we had an election for Chair, two Vice-Chairs and the Rapporteur, I would like to know why the Secretariat of LACRALO who ran those elections is still doing the job of the Rapporteur which we just elected; and why the Rapporteur we elected is not doing those jobs. Thank you.

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: Thank you for your comment, Jose Arcé speaking. We are now going to address the next motion.

Vanda Scartezini: This is related to this point. I voted in absentia, I abstained, but I wanted to be listed as somebody who was abstaining for the vote.

Matt Ashtiani: For the record I will do that but can I please ask that the speaker identify herself for the record?

Vanda Scartezini: This is Vanda Scartezini, NEXTI Brazil, and I abstain.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. In the interest of time we are going to address the following motion. Natalia Enciso invoked Rule #15, Sergio Salinas Porto made a motion to conduct elections or to vote right now so we're going to vote on this motion. Those of you in favor of voting please raise your hands.

Roosevelt King: I'm not clear about what you're asking.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. After the motion that we have just voted, Sergio Salinas Porto took the floor and requested or made a motion to conduct the vote for LACRALO Chair and Secretary as a priority in this Assembly. This is a motion and we have to vote that motion, and Natalia Enciso seconded that motion, and Wladimir Davalos seconded that. And Natalia Enciso invoked Rule #15 of the UN, so we must vote this motion.

Those of you willing to vote Sergio Salinas Porto's motion and are in favor of that motion, please raise your hands.

Carlton Samuels: Point of order, point of order – I will be heard. The motion, this is the agenda – we are determining the agenda. What the member wants to do is to place an item on the agenda – that’s what he wants to do. He wants to place an item on the agenda to call for election of officers; that’s what we are supposed to vote for – to place an item on the agenda to vote for election of officers. Thank you.

Roosevelt King: Mr. Chairman, Roosevelt King. It is not possible given that the manner and forum with which elections should be conducted, it is not possible for that item to be placed on the agenda because it has not conformed with the rules. We cannot have a vote for officers at this time, and therefore I am moving a countermotion that no election of officers item be placed on the agenda. And I believe my motion must be heard before you can deal with the substantive motion.

Humberto Carrasco: Mr. Chair, Humberto Carrasco and Fatima Cambronero – may we have the floor and then we’ll proceed with the vote? Mr. Chair, this is Humberto Carrasco for the records. I will read Rule #15 again so that it is clear to everybody: additional important, urgent matters whose inclusion in the program is proposed with less than 30 days in advance before the extraordinary session or during the ordinary session will be included in the program if the General Assembly so decides by a majority vote of members present unless the General Assembly decides otherwise by two-thirds of the vote. No additional issues shall be examined unless seven days have passed by and a Committee has

informed about what this is about. So it is in the spirit of this rule that we are making this proposal.

Matt Ashtiani:

This is Matt Ashtiani for the record. We're making a request that people please state their name, and when reading something read extraordinarily slow because it's difficult concepts and they're rules that are governing the entire Assembly right now. So can I please request that you say it again and you say it slowly?

Humberto Carrasco:

I repeat I am Humberto Carrasco repeating Section #15: "The additional and urgent matters whose inclusion in the program is proposed with less than thirty days of advance before the opening of an ordinary session or during an extraordinary session shall be included in the program if a General Assembly so decides by a majority vote of members present. Unless the General Assembly decides otherwise by means of a two-thirds vote... Excuse me, unless the General Assembly decides otherwise by a two-third majority vote of members present with the right to vote no other additional issues shall be examined until seven days have gone by since their inclusion in the program and a Commission has reported on the specific matter. And this is the situation in which we are now, Mr. Chair.

Jose Arcé:

Jose Arcé, excuse me, Carlton Samuels – this is Jose Arcé speaking and Fatima Cambronero has the floor.

Fatima Cambronero: Thank you, Chair – this is Fatima Cambronero for the records. Please, remember our Rules of Procedure. When we put a motion to vote we cannot keep debating. We have to vote. We can only make points of clarification. We have a countermotion from Roosevelt, we have to vote that countermotion and then we have to vote Sergio’s motion. So please, do not defer this debate. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. We are going to vote the countermotion. Those of you in favor of the countermotion made against Sergio’s motion, please raise your hands.

Humberto Carrasco: This is Humberto Carrasco. Mr. Chair, I am not clear about what you are asking.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. We are going to vote the countermotion made against Sergio’s motion. Those in favor of the countermotion put forth by Roosevelt please raise your hands.

Carlton Samuels: A point of order, Mr. Chairman...

Jose Arcé: Excuse me, we are voting. I am not going to give the floor to you, I am sorry. We are voting; once we conclude the vote I will give you the floor. Please raise your hands again so that we can do the tally for this vote. Those voting against Roosevelt King's motion, please raise your hands. Any abstention?

Matt Ashtiani: Matt from staff again, just to clarify – who seconded the motion? Thank you, Tracy. If you voted “yes” can you please make sure that I've written down your name?

Jacqueline Morris: Mr. Chairman, excuse me – this is Jacqueline Morris. I need to leave the meeting and I would like to create a proxy for Lance Hinds to vote in my place while I'm gone if that is acceptable to the Chair.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. Of course, Jacqueline.

Jose Arcé for the records. Could you please confirm the proxies and could you for the records confirm whether you have voted for or against this motion?

Fatima Cambronero: This is Fatima Cambronero for the records. My own vote and my votes with proxies are for the same decision, the same vote.

Juan Manuel Rojas: This is Juan Manuel Rojas. The proxy vote for AGEIA DENSI Brazil and AGEIA DENSI Colombia are exactly the same vote.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair, Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. Do we still have a long time to wait until you finish the tally of this vote and when are you going to start defining issues or topics on the agenda?

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. Sergio, we are just about to finish.

Roosevelt King: Mr. Chair, Roosevelt King sir. First, I have problems with the way the rules are being played at this meeting. They are not being played in an orthodox and recognized manner. I really wouldn't like to have to start a lecture on constitutional law here but it seems as though I will have to.

First, it is not every item that you need to record a division of votes – that's the first thing – especially non-substantive matters. Motions for simple things really and truly need no division. Where the matter is substantive you can have a division or actually a division should not be up there unless a division was called for – that is the first application of the rules that I know. And I've been around very, very long and I've never seen a meeting being conducted in the manner in which this one is being conducted.

The question of an election happening at this point in time, this is my second point – you have not conformed to the prescription of the rules

in terms of calling an election and to the extent that you have not, you cannot have an election. I am saying you cannot have an election – third thing. Rule #15 of the UN rules does not apply here because if the matter is urgent but the matter is not properly constituted it cannot have it – Rule #15 just does not apply. Rule #15 can only apply to matters where you are not calling for a change in the manner and form in which the rules prescribe.

You can only suspend Rules of Procedure. You cannot suspend rules that deal with manner and form because what you are doing is putting members at a disadvantage. You did not, we did not have notice of elections, we were not able to make any nominations and you are asking for an ad-hoc where the rules have stated clearly that there must be a particular procedure. And if you want to change that rule I think that you need to give notice that you want to change the rule in advance; you cannot suspend the rule. If you want to change the rule so that you can have ad-hoc elections without having to have the preparations and give the public notice, the members – that is a constitutional matter that hits at the root of the rules and you cannot do that. It is totally unfair and it is discriminatory in the second place.

Jose Arcé:

Jose Arcé for the records. I am going to answer you, Roosevelt. Part of what you say, I don't know if this has been overlooked, but the LACRALO Secretariat formally opened the candidates' nomination and that was done, that took place. In any event the timeframes in which this was done were not the ones that were appropriate according to our

Rules of Procedure and we are without the scope of the timeframes that we need to observe to proceed with nominations. That's why some members asked whether the Chairman and Secretariat can continue.

I think this is an urgent matter because all our timeframes to call for election of the LACRALO Chairman and Secretariat are already over, and I insist, I repeat we formally opened the nominations period. The results?

Male: Mr. Chair, I had asked for the floor but please proceed with the results.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking again. The result of the vote on this motion are ten votes in favor, which is 26.09% and about 73% against with 24 votes. So the motion is not carried. [Jose Luis], do you want to take the floor?

Jose Luis Barzallo: Thank you, Chair. I would like to ask – this is Jose Luis speaking – on a point of clarification. Please do not continue with motions and countermotions and so forth. We had a motion and we voted for or against that motion. A negative vote or a vote against the motion is in itself a countermotion; otherwise we will keep voting motions and countermotions. And for the records I am Jose Luis Barzallo.

On a separate note, Mr. Chair, rights and human rights have been mentioned here. We are not discriminating here. This is the General Assembly which is entitled to decide and interpret. We have not

request suspensions or changes in the operating principles, therefore what the Assembly is deciding is fully legal, correct, valid, and egalitarian for everybody. Thirdly, a topic to staff – either you are here or you are not. If a member is not present that member may not vote and may not abstain from voting.

Jose Arcé: Carlton, you have the floor.

Carlton Samuels: Thank you, Chair, Carlton Samuels for the record. I hate to disagree with the member. We are voting against motions where the motion is specific, it's spelled out in words. A countermotion cannot be accepted as a negative of the first motion – that doesn't happen, that's not the way it happens. That's the first thing. Secondly, the member from Barbados is right in but one instance. The difference that we have here is whether the issue is of great moment or import. In his estimation, he's saying that the election of an officer at this point were it placed on the agenda is not of great moment – that is the distinction that he wants to make.

The Rule #15 of the UN is very clear. If you think it is of great importance and you have two thirds of the member present and voting who agree with you, you can put it on the agenda – that's what it says. And that's what we are voting for. The distinction he wants to make in terms of practice is accepted but what we have here is a disconnect between what is important or not, and I believe the member has a right to say that elections are important. So a vote is taken.

Roosevelt King:

Mr. Chairman, I'm not disputing that the Assembly has a right to decide what is important and what is not. What I'm disputing is whether the members have a right to decide that something is important but that the rules for implementing it have not been observed – that is my point. The fact that we did not have notice of elections within the timeframe as stipulated by the Rules – sorry, we did not have the notice as stipulated within the rules. As important as you may think it is what is happening is that the rules, I do not think that the rules were made just arbitrarily. I believe that the rules were made in order that every member of the Assembly have the opportunity to participate fairly, and that every member is given an equal opportunity.

We in the Caribbean, I in Barbados, have not had any notice of elections and therefore I did not come here prepared for any elections. I am hearing about nominations – are there any nominations from the Caribbean? There are only nominations from Latin America and I'm saying that that cannot be fair, and I do not think that the rules were made in order that you could arbitrarily define the rules and do what you want – I do not think so. And if I am correct it is really unconstitutional as far as the basic rules are concerned for us to carry on with an election here, especially when you have options that will place you within the rules. And the option would be to defer the elections to another day. Set a date; make sure that notice is circulated, the proper notice in the proper timeframe and then have an election.

I am not seeing anything in the rules, even if it not in the rules. The point is that traditionally and procedurally it is accepted that if you have

acted in a manner either by action or omission to observe the rules, a two-thirds majority here right now on this part cannot fix that except by extending it in such a manner that you are now able to fulfill the rules. So therefore an election? I would object strongly to any election happening today because the rules have not been observed and I am not straying from that.

Jose Arcé: Thank you for your comment. I'm going to give the floor to Fatima Cambronero. We are going to close the motion and we are going to go along with the second motion.

Fatima Cambronero: Thank you, Mr. Chairman – I am Fatima Cambronero for the record. This is a motion, a procedural motion based on point 9.2.D to close the debate about this issue.

Jose Arcé: Let's vote the procedural motion. Those who are in favor of the motion carried by Fatima Cambronero, please raise your hand.

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: Any abstentions?

Raquel Gatto: Mr. Chairman, a point of order, just to second Fatima's motion.

Jose Arcé: Please, your name.

Raquel Gatto: Raquel Gatto.

Jose Arcé: Any abstentions for the procedural motion put forth by Fatima?

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: Abstentions, isn't it?

Carlton Samuels: This is Carlton Samuels, I am abstaining.

Jose Arcé: And please, those who are against the motion raise your hand.

This is Jose for the record. Could you please clarify, for those who have proxies, your vote?

Fatima Cambronero: I am Fatima Cambronero. I vote by AGEIA DENSI and my vote in the same sense.

Juan Manuel Rojas: I am Juan Manuel Rojas. I vote by AGEIA Brazil and AGEIA Colombia in the same sense.

Lance Hinds: On behalf of the Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society, we abstain as well.

Sergio Salinas Porto: I would like to make clear for the record – this is Sergio Salinas Port – that I also abstain for the vote.

Carlton Samuels: Mr. Chairman? Thank you, Mr. Chairman – Carlton Samuels for the record. Mr. Chairman, I have very important policymaking duties elsewhere. I am Co-Chair of an Applicant Support Working Group that began a session about 15 minutes ago. I'm also a member of the Geo Regions Working Group that has a session meeting in about 45 minutes. This assembly was intended to conclude around about 13:30 hours. The time is noted. Can I ask the Chairman if there is a plan to expedite the Assembly or to bring it to conclusion somewhere near the end of time that was adopted for it?

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you, Carlton. After the results of the voting of Fatima's motion we are going to go on with the second motion where you mentioned having the point in the agenda – we're going to follow the order of it.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, for the record this is Sergio Salinas Porto. There is a person who is raising his hand, so please, I request the floor for him.

Jose Arcé: Antonio?

Antonio Medina: This is Antonio Medina for the record. I just simply would like to request, Mr. Chairman, to request to you as the coordinator of this meeting to apply the initial agreement of the three minutes per speaker.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. The results of the motion put forth by Fatima Cambroner, it was a procedural motion that was put for a voting by requesting the closure of this debate. The results are the following: 17.71% in favor and the negative is 0.83%. Therefore the motion is carried. Let's go on with the next point of motion put forth by Sergio Salinas Porto, and this is to adopt in our agenda as a priority issue the elections issue.

We're going to vote. Please, those who are in favor of Sergio Salinas' motion to add to the agenda the elections issue as a priority please raise your hand.

Those who are against, please raise your hand. Those who are against Sergio Salinas Porto's motion to add the issue or the point to the agenda.

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: Any abstention? Could you please quickly clarify, those who have proxies, just to record that the intention is to be in favor of what?

Lance Hinds: This is Lance Hinds for the Trinidad & Tobago Computer Society, and her vote and the vote of DEVNET is the same.

Juan Manuel Rojas: I am Juan Manuel Rojas. I have a proxy for AGEIA DENSI Brazil. I voted, the vote was cast for the point to be included in the agenda in both cases.

Fatima Cambronerero: I am Fatima Cambronerero. The vote by proxy is in the same sense.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chair. I am requesting that common sense prevail at this point.

Jose Arcé: Yeah, please remember that you have three minutes to speak.

Roosevelt King: Sorry, Mr. Chairman – I didn't get that one.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. You can hold the floor but please be prudent with the time due to the clarification we made at the beginning.

Roosevelt King: Right, only three minutes, Mr. Chairman. I will complete what I have to say in good time. I'm asking that some common sense prevail here. Let me explain. The procedure for elections is enshrined in Rule #13. Rule #13 prescribes a particular manner for the election to be conducted. Rule #13 has not been suspended, and hence, if an election is to go forward it must go forward according to the rules prescribed in Rule #13. For this Assembly to try to use its majority to breach the rules is not good enough and actually I would only describe it as a bullying tactic. I don't see any other means of describing it.

I would therefore like to make my objection to this to be part of the record, to be highlighted in the record because this is highly unusual for any organization to proceed in this manner. And if this continues I

personally will seek to make any decision of an election to be declared null and void by the highest body of this organization. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Fatima, would you like to hold the floor?

Jose Olvidio Salgueiro: Jose Olvidio Salgueiro. I think that this motion is already carried or voted. If you do not agree you can resort to the instances that you wish but we need to go on.

Roosevelt King: Mr. Chair, I will acknowledge that I will even go further because this can be decided in a court of law.

Carlton Samuels: Chair, point of order, Chair – Carlton Samuels for the record. The member from Barbados is raising concerns and yes, some of what he says is absolutely possible under the Memorandum of Understanding that we have signed for this organization. What I would request of the member is that the motion of the member, even if we believe it was out of order, was decided on a majority vote by this Assembly. The motion as I understand it is to put the election of officers on the agenda, only to place that item on the agenda. That's all it does – this motion. At the appropriate time we will point out to this Assembly why having that motion on the agenda does not in fact give the Assembly any standing to proceed to election.

Sergio Salinas Porto:

Mr. Chairman, this is Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. I don't know what Carlton understood but I have just requested to carry out the vote of the nominates for Chair and Secretary of our region and to go on with the rest of the agenda for discussion because we have many issues on the agenda. I don't know if this is Carlton's question but if this is so I have just answered it.

Carlton Samuels:

Mr. Chair, again, let me explain. The member, we were discussing fixing the agenda. The member recalled a motion and the member sought to replace that item with a new one. The item as I understand it was he wanted to bring to the agenda this vote. We have not even fixed the agenda. There is no agenda adopted. I am extremely... It is really with abundance, well, it is really with great distress because it is obvious that we really don't even read the Rules of Procedure and we really don't understand them.

We were discussing adopting an agenda. There has been no vote for the adoption of the agenda. We cannot. [Robert's Rules], I sent out not more than two weeks ago that if those of you who are not familiar with how you conduct democratic meetings will get yourselves up to speed by looking at the [Robert's Rules]. We are at the point of talking about adopting an agenda. We have not adopted an agenda for the meeting yet.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. Exactly as Carlton is saying. We still don't have the agenda. I don't know if we are all on the same page.

Roosevelt Hinds: Mr. Chairman, a point of order – we cannot adopt the agenda unless we agree to the items on the agenda. If we cannot agree to the items on the agenda how can you adopt to the agenda? So the items on the agenda have to be clear. You can't just adopt an agenda and then decide that you are going to amend it. I don't know what that is. You have to decide on the items on the agenda first before you can adopt the agenda.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair I am Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. I want to put forth a point of order. If we have finished discussing the motions can we please vote on the adoption of the agenda and can we start with the subsequent activities? Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. The agenda has not been adopted. I repeat, the agenda has not been adopted. I was very clear a while ago. Again, the agenda has not been adopted.

Jose Medina: Mr. Chairman, m*ay I please take the floor? Excuse me, this is Jose? Thank you, this is Jose.

Jose Arcé: Please state your full name.

Jose Medina: I am Mr. Medina from the Colombian Association of Internet Users. When you address Mr. Jose Arcé please do not address him as the LACRALO Chair; address him as the Chair of the ongoing General Assembly.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Thank you, I apologize – this is Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. I apologize; it was just a slip of the tongue, Mr. Chairman of the General Assembly.

Fatima Cambronerero: This is Fatima Cambronerero for the record. I want to add another motion to be included on the agenda. Rule #12.5 in the Rules of Procedure state that first of all we will address the amendment proposal that is farther away from the original proposal, so I want to include Sylvia Leite's proposal presented in the list that modifies Points #1 through #9. This is substantially different so this should be the first one and then we should move on.

Natalia Enciso: I am Natalia Enciso and I want to second the motion.

Carlton Samuels: Point of clarification: is the member's motion that the motion from the member of Brazil be the first one discussed after Rule #7? Is that the motion from the member?

Fatima Cambronero: This is Fatima Cambronero for the record. What I'm proposing is that we should include that notion after the vote, so after dealing with Sergio's motion requesting a vote.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. I have the results of the vote on the motion to closing the debate: 23.04% against, 3.28% abstentions, and 73.68% in favor. So we are going to cancel Fatima Cambronero's procedural motion so that we can close this debate. Therefore, motions coming after this topic will not be taken into account because the debate is closed.

Carlton Samuels: Mr. Chair, can you tell me for the record, put in writing what the question is that was decided?

Jose Arcé: Yes, Jose Arcé speaking. The last thing we voted was a procedural motion put forth by Fatima Cambronero so that we should close this debate. According to Rule #9 in our Rules of Procedure we need to give priority to this. She put forth a motion according to Rule 9.2.D and we voted on her motion, moving the closure of the debate. And the results were in favor of closing the debate – 73.68%; abstentions – 3.28%; and

23.04% votes against the motion. Therefore I must declare the closure of this debate.

And several motions were included in the debate, and once we have closed that debate I cannot include those motions again or address them again. I don't know if this is clear.

Carlton Samuels:

Carlton Samuels for the record. I wanted to make that for the record because the Chair has the responsibility or the Rapporteur to actually spell out a substantive motion that was declared, and that needs to be done before it can be adopted to the agenda.

Natalia Enciso:

Jose, this is Natalia Enciso for the record. I want to make a point of clarification regarding Rule #9.2, was that cited to close the debate on the counterproposal or to close the debate on the agenda and adopt the agenda?

Jose Arcé:

Jose Arcé for the records. Fatima, excuse me... The vote was to close the debate on the counterproposal.

Natalia Enciso:

Therefore – excuse me, this is Natalia for the record – we have to vote Fatima's proposal to apply Rule 12.5.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Yes, just bear with me for a second please.

Carlton Samuels: Chair, a point of order? Will the Chair identify for me where on the draft agenda a motion for Rule 12.5 is laid?

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the record. Carlton, would you kindly repeat your question please?

Carlton Samuels: We are at the point of discussing the draft agenda and adopting the agenda, so a draft agenda was declared; and under our Rules of Procedure, that agenda motion for decision follows a certain rule and practice. I am looking on the draft agenda and I am not seeing anywhere on it a reference to that motion. It may be that it is an error and it is there somewhere, so I'm asking the chair to identify what the motion is and where is it located, and what circumstances led to it not being on this draft agenda?

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the record. Maybe we need a point of clarification. The last thing we did was to give the result of the vote on the suspension put forth by Fatima. Fatima made or put forth another motion that has not been debated yet and that we have not voted on, so what is your specific question, Carlton?

Carlton Samuels:

The agenda, the determination if it goes into the agenda is following a certain form of practice – that’s a part of our Rules of Procedure. The Rules of Procedure states that agenda items must be submitted in a certain time and must appear in the draft agenda for adoption. The member has stated that there is a motion for changes to Rule 12.5 – that’s my understanding. If you look at the draft agenda there is no mention of a Rule 12.5 motion, but it might be that the motion was actually presented in good time and by mistake is not on the draft agenda. And what I’m asking for is the circumstances under which this motion was put forward; and if it was put forward it would need to be produced here so that this Assembly can see the substance of that motion.

Fatima Cambronero:

This is Fatima Cambronero for the record. On a point of clarification regarding Carlton’s question, I am not proposing anything on Rule 12.5. What I said was that I was basing myself on Rule 12.5 so that we should debate among the amendment proposals in the email list and included in the draft agenda – that is the proposals sent by Sylvia, by Cintra, by Dev – these are the three proposals. Out of these three proposals, on the basis of Rule 12.5 we should address first the one that is further away from the original proposal.

So according to my request, Sylvia’s proposal modifies all the Operating Principles from #1 to #9. So on the basis of Rule 12.5 I was asking for us to first of all address that proposal and then to continue in a decreasing order. I don’t know if I have made myself clear.

Carlton Samuels: Thank you; it's much clearer. As I understand it, the motion to move that motion right after the motion to take a vote is contained, correct?

Fatima Cambronero: What do you mean when you say... Did you say "contained?"

Carlton Samuels: Yes. You have raised the motion about precedence – in what order do we take the agenda items? And I'm asking you whether or not those agenda items as you're alleging change all of the rules as you see them including the one about voting?

Fatima Cambronero: This is Fatima Cambronero for the records. No, I want to include that after the item on the agenda devoted to voting so that we debate this after that point. So first we need to resolve the voting issue. It's just a question of the order of the points on the agenda, that's it.

Carlton Samuels: Chair, for the record...

Jose Olvidio Salgueiro: This is Jose Olvidio Salgueiro. I wonder why we are debating this agenda that we will have no time to address because we will have run out of time for this General Assembly if we reach any agreement on this agenda.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. According to the order of the motions, the next motion is Sergio Salinas Porto's motion to include on the agenda the elections of the LACRALO Chairman and Secretariat. So we are going to vote that motion.

So those in favor of Sergio's motion please raise your hands. Excuse me, excuse me- Is there any abstention?

Roosevelt King: This is Roosevelt King, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to clarify that we are voting at this point for the inclusion of Sergio's item on the agenda. Is that what we're voting for?

Jose Arcé: Yes.

Roosevelt King: Thanks.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Those against Sergio's motion please raise your hands.

Jose Arcé speaking. Those in favor of Sergio's motion, please raise your hands.

[background conversation]

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, I'm very concerned at the lack of progress in this meeting and I am wondering, I mean I have to wonder that a motion of no confidence in the Chair is most appropriate.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. I was the only candidate for the Chair of the Assembly so if you don't believe so you already had the possibility of nominating anyone else. I am making the most of my best effort. This is just one region and I am fighting and struggling since I was the Chair, I assumed my position as Chair, for us to understand that this is just one region that we are voting for, in just one region. And my work here is not being valued, so could you please put forth the motion that you consider necessary; but I want to make clear that the results of the Assembly is the results of the region as a whole. The results of this Assembly are going to be manifested in [all the not ICANN] and we are not on the correct path.

We all contributed to this, therefore I would ask you that if you want to put forth a motion please do it but we are going to keep on working in favor of one region, in favor of the improvement of LACRALO and in favor of making the most of this GA that we have been struggling for because we don't know when we are going to be able to have our next GA. So that is my only comment until we have the results to go on with the next motion. Simply the message of unity, this is just one region –

we're all in favor of the growth of the Latin American and Caribbean region, just that.

Roosevelt King: Mr. Chair, I have no desire to put a motion of no confidence in the Chair; I would just like the meeting to move along.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. We are going to express the results of the vote for the motion of adding to the agenda the issue presented by Sergio Salinas Porto: abstentions – 1.65%; in favor – 79.07%; and against – 19.26%. The motion is carried and is added to the agenda, the issue proposed by Sergio Salinas Porto.

The next point is that of Fatima Cambronero. She put forth a motion for the order of the agenda to be altered according to Rule 12.5 and the issue proposed by Sylvia be treated first. Fatima, can you please clarify which point on the agenda is the one proposed by Sylvia specifically?

Fatima Cambronero: I am Fatima Cambronero. This is Point #18 of the draft agenda. Sorry, Mr. Chairman – in fact the proposal was sent to the email list by Sylvia and on the agenda it appears as Fatima's proposal, but in fact this was Sylvia's proposal.

Carlton Samuels: So Mr. Chairman, the proposal from the member from Barbados was that the draft agenda Item #17 be placed first on the agenda because in

his estimation it subsumed all other items on the agenda. The members in their good judgment rejected this motion. The new motion is that the item now on the agenda as – can somebody tell me what it is? #18, be superseded. If members would have read the motion in Item #17 they would have seen very clearly that said motion contains and overlaps with the existing item on agenda Item #18. It might have missed your notice.

So having declared those numbers as not being relevant, this Assembly is now asked to do the same thing for some of those numbers. I don't wish to be seen as a fool so I will tell you right now that I will abstain.

Fatima Cambroneró:

I am Fatima Cambroneró for the record. Carlton, I am just trying to comply with the Rules of Procedure. Rule 12.5 says that we are going to deal with the amendment that goes furthest [in the regional one] and I did read the proposal about representation; and therefore I voted in favor. So we can include the remaining issues in Cintra's proposal because I have the draft, I did read it and we should discuss it. But the proposal sent by Sylvia modifies all the operating procedures from #1 to #9, and therefore according to our Rules of Procedures, our current Rules of Procedures, this is the one that goes furthest – [the regional one].

Cintra Sooknanan:

This is Cintra Sooknanan. I find it awfully peculiar that there have been so many changes to the agenda which has been circulated so much in advance. The motion, the changes I made I actually posted to the list;

all these other motions, I don't know if these were contemplated before or just today but it seems to be a bit of an abuse of process here. And I find it also rather peculiar that a lot of the motions made by the Latin side are the ones coming first, specifically the ones sent by Fatima and Sylvia. And in my opinion the procedural, operational ones should come first because today we really need a few successes. We've been in this room and nothing has been done. I would suggest let's get the easy ones off first that we know we can get agreement on and then proceed to the more difficult, complex ones. Thank you.

Jacqueline Morris:

Jacqueline Morris for the record to let everyone know I am back and I will take my proxy back from Lance. Thank you.

[background conversation]

Cintra Sooknanan:

This is Cintra Sooknanan. I ask to be excused for five minutes.

Jose Arcé:

This is Jose Arcé for the record. We are going to have a five-minute break; in five minutes we'll resume the session.

[break]

Male: [Speaking Spanish]

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. We'll resume the session. Please be silent and be seated.

We'll go on with the session. The next item on the agenda is the motion put forth by Fatima Cambronero about point 12.5 of the Rules of Procedure to modify the agenda in terms of Sylvia's proposal of priority in relation to the other topics. That was clarified by Fatima – it was already clarified so now we are going to vote.

Sergio: Mr. Chairman, I request the floor. Can you hear me? There are members missing from our region here. Okay? I just thought it was a point of attention because there are certain members missing.

Jose Arcé: Thank you very much, Sergio, but we must go on with the General Assembly. As I already said we had five minutes just to go to the toilet or just to get a cup of coffee and it has already passed, so Fatima's motion – please, I'm going to ask you to raise your hand if you abstain.

The motion is the last motion that we have that is Fatima's motion to apply Rule 12.5 to modify the agenda when it comes to Sylvia's proposal. The vote now, please raise your hand if you abstain.

Carlton Samuels: Just to confirm I am abstaining on the condition that I don't understand the motion.

Jose Arcé: Okay. Those who are against the motion please raise your hands. Those who are against Sergio's motion, excuse me – Fatima's motion to amend the agenda according to Rule 12.5 of the Rules of Procedure please raise your hands.

Those who are in favor of Fatima's motion, please raise your hands.

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Could the proxies please manifest the condition of their votes?

Fatima Cambronero: This is Fatima Cambronero. I voted for AGEIA DENSI and ISOC Argentina the same.

Juan Manuel Rojas: Juan Manuel Rojas – I vote in the same sense for AGEIA DENSI Brazil and AGEIA DENSI Colombia.

Wladimir Davalos: Mr. Chairman?

Jose Arcé: Yes, Wladimir, you have the floor.

Wladimir Davalos: Thank you, Chair, I am Wladimir Davalos for the records. Since we have already voted I would like to request that we close the voting so as to proceed, I mean to close the debate of the agenda, of the topic we are discussing right now to proceed with the voting.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. Let me see if I understood you. You are proposing a motion to close the debate when it comes to the modification of the agenda?

Wladimir Davalos: Yes, that's it.

Jose Luis Barzallo: I second the motion. I am Jose Luis Barzallo from [AEDIT Ecuador].

Jose Arcé: Okay, we're going to vote Wladimir's motion.

This is Jose Arcé for the records. The results of the voting are the following: in favor – 73.7%, [25.7%] against and abstentions approximately 21%. So Fatima's motion is carried.

Now let's move on to the procedural motion made by Wladimir Davalos. Those in favor of the motion of closing the debate proposed by Wladimir, when it comes to modifying the agenda – those who abstain please raise your hands now; abstentions of Wladimir's motion to close the debate.

Those who vote against Wladimir's motion for closing the debate of the modification of the agenda, please raise your hand.

And those who are in favor of Wladimir's motion please raise your hand.

Jose Arcé for the records. The results of Wladimir's motions are abstentions – [8.53%]; no – 19.44%; yes – 80.56% and therefore the motion is carried. Now we close the debate and now we're going to vote on the complete agenda.

Antonio Medina:

Mr. Chairman, I request the floor.

Jose Arcé:

Antonio?

Antonio Medina:

Thank you. I would like to make a complete motion and this is I would like the agenda to be read, the new agenda; to put this agenda for voting. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Yes, Antonio, that is what I was going to do. The definite agenda is this. Point #7 was suppressed or eliminated. The motion approved that Sergio's motion would be in its place as a priority, and then Fatima Cambronero's would be Point #8 as a priority when it comes to substantial matters in terms of the amendments of the rules. The we have Point #7, Sergio's request to have the elections; and Point #8, Point #18 before and then the agenda will go on as it is.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chairman, may I speak?

Jose Arcé: Just a minute.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Taking into account that we have closed all the processes – for the record, this is Sergio Salinas Porto. Since we have finished with all this I would like to request... Ah, the agenda is not finished, excuse me. Sorry.

Jose Arcé: Therefore now we're going to adopt the agenda. Please, those who abstain in adopting the agenda as it is please raise your hand.

Jacqueline Morris: Jacqueline Morris. When you say "take a priority," does that mean it comes first, second, third? What position, because it's not very clear to me.

[background conversation]

Jacqueline Morris: I'm seeing here that Fatima's point will take priority, the elections will take priority – so does that mean that Fatima's motion will be first, the elections will be second? It isn't clear to me exactly what the new agenda is – what is the first item on the agenda, what is the second item and so on and so forth? "Take a priority" isn't clear to me. I'm sorry, I don't understand it so I can't vote on it yet.

Jose Arcé: [Speaking Spanish]

Raquel Gatto: Jose? We can do it. If you want to speak we can move on.

Jose Arcé: So the order of the agenda Point #7 would be Sergio's motion and Point #8 would be Fatima's motion, and the rest stays as it is because Fatima's motion was to take Point 18 to be first discussed or be discussed before the other motions to review the Rules of Procedure. That is what Rule 12.5 is about.

So let's vote. Please raise your hands, those who abstain to adopt the agenda as it is. Abstentions?

Those who are against please raise your hand.

Okay, those who are in favor please raise your hand.

Okay, could you please, those who have proxies could you express yourselves quickly?

Fatima Cambronero: This is Fatima Cambronero; AGEIA DENSI and ISOC Argentina are voting in the same sense.

Juan Manuel Rojas: Juan Manuel Rojas; for AGEIA DENSI Colombia and AGEIA DENSI Brazil the vote is the same.

Humberto Carrasco: Mr. Chairman, may I ask you whether you can ask Roosevelt and Michael if they have abstained? I am Humberto Carrasco for the record so I'll ask again. I would like to ask you if you can ask Roosevelt and Michael whether they have abstained or if they voted against.

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the record. The question is already asked. Roosevelt, would you like to answer because we asked for yes/no, in favor or against and you haven't voted.

Roosevelt King: [I and] Michael Ford abstained.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. The results of the vote are as follows: 6.12% abstentions, 19% votes against and 63.9% votes in favor. The agenda is now adopted.

[Applause]

Jose Arcé: We now move on to the Secretariat's report on LACRALO's activities between the '09 – '11 period.

Sergio Salinas Porto: This is Sergio Salinas Porto. Mr. Chairman, in view of procedural economy may I please move that Items #5 and #6 be forwarded by email to our exchange list so that we receive the necessary input from the region? And on a separate note may I please move for the closure of the debate and may I please move that we proceed with the GA as stipulated so as to... I mean I know that we are not going to have time to submit our reports but we commit ourselves to file the reports when we come back home, both ALAC members, former ALAC members and Dev and myself so as to present the report from our regions. Thank you.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Sergio, are you moving a procedural motion for the closure of the debate and then you want us to vote so that we skip points #5 and #6 and then we close the debate?

Sergio Salinas Porto: For the records this is Sergio Salinas Porto; yes, that is my motion.

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels for the record. I am going to oppose that motion and I'll tell you why. What we have here is-

[background conversation]

Jose Arcé: Carlton, may you please speak again so that we test our transmitters and receivers?

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels for the record. Mr. Chairman, I'm going to oppose that motion and I'll tell you why. We are about to talk about the election of officers for this organization, yet we don't think it's important for the officers we have actually elected to tell this organization about what the hell they've been doing on our behalf all this while. There is something wrong with that formula. It just underscores the fact that this entire organization has actually been reduced to an electioneering machinery – that's what it has come to.

It flies in the face of reason that you would want to have elections before you have heard something from the officers that were in the last period. This is why we are laughing stock in the rest of the At-Large. We need to stop it.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chair.

Natalia Enciso: I am Natalia Enciso for the records and I second Carlton's motion.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair, Sergio Salinas Porto for the records. I want to remind all the members present that the one proposing the accountability at the General Assembly, accountability from all officers including those that are not chosen by us but that represent Latin America – that was myself. I myself made that proposal. In this regard what I'm asking, for the same of procedural economy, what I'm asking is for us to have time to submit this at another stage if you will after we conclude the procedures of the General Assembly or before; maybe we can move this to the last point for this General Assembly.

What I'm asking is that you should give us time so as we do everything else. We still have to address the Rules of Procedure and we have our Operating Principles to address, and the elections so we have three issues that are the reason why we are here. We are also here to make proposals of course but we have devoted a lot of time beating about the bush almost as if we wanted to postpone this General Assembly so as not to decide anything; almost as if we were working so as this would not work out. Thank you.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chair?

Jose Arcé: This is Jose Arcé for the records. We have a five-hour General Assembly today and I'm being told that we are running out of time and we still haven't reached our five-hour period so I want to bring this point of clarification?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair, why are we here? Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. I cannot submit my report. I cannot debate what we have been debating for the last two years, and for the record this is Sergio Salinas Porto. I don't have the possibility to have candidates that I may vote. I don't have anything! I am here for two reasons: to participate as an ALAC member, you know, and I have to miss some meetings and sessions so as to participate in all our regional activities; and also I am here to attend this General Assembly that is really not taking place. We spent all the time beating about the bush and now what?

Jose Arcé: I am sorry, my apologies – Jose Arcé speaking. I am trying to work out this issue because I am being told that interpreters are going to leave the room as we speak. Mr. Salinas Porto, how are we going to proceed without interpreters?

Female: Jose, we have bilingual members so we can continue among ourselves.

Fatima Cambronero: Fatima speaking. Staff promised simultaneous interpretation so officially staff should get us simultaneous interpretation. This is Fatima

Cambronero; Heidi, would you please work this out? We made this clear before we came here.

This is Fatima Cambronero for the record, and I am sorry if we do not have interpretation services. At-Large is expecting results from us. What results can we reach if we cannot even discuss the topics? We won't reach consensus because we cannot discuss the topics.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. I need an urgent reply from staff.

Evan Leibovitch: Mr. Chairman?

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. Evan, would you like to take the floor?

Evan Leibovitch: Yes, thank you very much. My name is Evan Leibovitch. I'm from Toronto, Canada, but I am Vice-Chair of ALAC. And since there's been mention made of what ALAC wants I just want to make a comment is what ALAC wants is a working RALO. It wants a working LACRALO – that is the main point. It is a little bit difficult for me to hear demands made of staff. Everyone in this ICANN meeting throughout this week has been working within very severe time constraints with meetings that people have to go to, with meetings that people have to attend; and meetings start and end, and there is some expectation that the time is budgeted in such a way that things can be done in the time allocated.

While I understand that there are some challenges here that need more time the physical resources that are available here, such as the interpreters, are not something that can easily be extended because of circumstances. So I'm simply asking if there are things that cannot be continued here, they can be continued elsewhere but it may not be practical to ask on resources to be allocated that have been budgeted for long ago.

And I would also want to remind everybody here that this General Assembly is being made in part possible by the sacrifice of other regions that have been giving up their own personal allocations in order for this to happen. So while it is important for this proceeding to go on please understand that this was done because other regions also saw the value and the importance of this General Assembly, and I really do hope that you can provide a result from this that will make people happy with the sacrifice that they've made for this. Thanks.

Jose Arcé:

Jose Arcé for the records. Thank you. I don't know, Evan – I gave you the floor and I thank you because of course you're qualified to speak about this. But we had a previous agreement up to 3:30 and we're not asking for a time extension. Thank you.

Marcelo Telez:

Mr. Chair I have been raising my hand for a long time now.

Matt Ashtiani:

As a general reminder please state your name before you speak.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. Marcelo, may you quickly take the floor, please?

Marcelo Telez: Marcelo Telez from Argentina. It is healthy and appreciated to have other regions enabling this GA, and the LACRALO issues have to be worked out within LACRALO. Therefore this time will be effective for us or not for others, but the situations by which a series of valid instruments in our rules – and that is to submit or put forth motions or counter motions – have to do with an objective that we are pursuing in this GA. Otherwise we would be naïve and no one here is naïve, so please let us use the remaining time to make the most of what we can do. And I repeat, the LACRALO issues are worked out within LACRALO.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Sergio Salinas Porto put forth a procedural motion to suspend the debate of Points #4 and #5. Is this so, Sergio?

Sergio Salinas Porto: Sergio Salinas Porto for the record. Yes, Mr. Chair – I am asking that we should address these points by email and we should close the debate and we should proceed to the following points.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. We cannot vote two things on the same occasion and the procedural motion to suspend the debate of Points #4 and #5 has a priority.

Sergio Salinas Porto put forth a motion to suspend Points #4 and #5 on the agenda. We're going to vote that motion. Abstentions, those abstaining – please raise your hands.

Roosevelt King: This is Roosevelt King, sir, please. Please.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking, once the vote is open no comments are accepted. So those abstaining?

Roosevelt King: How can I vote if I don't know what I'm voting for? Say that again?

Male: [Speaking Spanish]

Roosevelt King: Pardon me, Mr. Chairman – I mean gee, I am not clear about what you are asking.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé speaking. Roosevelt, Sergio Salinas Porto put forth a procedural motion; in fact he put forth two motions – one of them to request authorization so that Items #4 and #5 could be forwarded and addressed by email; and then he put forth another motion to close the debate of Items #4 and #5 on the agenda. Because of Rules of

Procedure I have to give priority to the procedural motion; that is the first one.

So please, those abstaining from voting Sergio's motion to suspend the debate on Items #4 and #5, please raise your hand – those that are abstaining from voting. Those that are against that motion, please raise your hands.

Those in favor of Sergio's motion not to address reports in Items #4 and #5 of the agenda – those in favor of that motion please raise your hands.

Jose Arcé for the records. Those holding proxies, can you please account for your votes?

Fatima Cambroneró: Fatima Cambroneró; for AGEIA DENSI Argentina and ISOC Argentina the votes are the same.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Juan Manuel, you have another proxy. Can you please account for your vote?

Juan Manuel Rojas: Juan Manuel Rojas. I got lost during the vote so I am abstaining, and the two votes are the same.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. The results of the vote are 5.56% abstentions, 36.09% votes against the motion and 58.35% votes in favor of the motion. Therefore the motion is carried.

Lance Hinds: Mr. President, the results have been established. Could we at least for the record table who exactly are going to give the reports from our reps at the ALAC?

Roosevelt King: A point of order, Mr. Chairman – I have serious concerns. Roosevelt King for the record. I have serious concerns as to how this meeting is being conducted. You put a motion on the table; there's not explanation for the motion. There's no opportunity to respond or state concerns on the motion and you're asking for a vote; and then after the vote I have to come and ask questions that should have been asked before the vote. I have serious concerns, Mr. Chairman, of how you are conducting this meeting.

Carlton Samuels: Correction for the record: the question, my friend from Barbados, was asked by the member from Guyana.

Roosevelt King: My humble apologies.

Sergio Salinas Porto:

Mr. Chair, this is Sergio Salinas Porto for the records. I commit myself to submit by Monday or Tuesday at the latest, to submit the report of what I have done and I expect that the other ALAC members – that is Carlos Aguirre and Sylvia Herlein Leite will do so. Also I would like for those members that are representing the Latin American and the Caribbean Region, and this is my dream, maybe we can materialize this: I would like for those members, whether they are elected by...

Okay, this is Sergio Salinas Porto for the records; I will repeat what I said. I said that by Monday or Tuesday at the latest, I don't know when I will be arriving in my hometown, I will be delivering the reports that have to do with what I have done. I ask the same and I know that they will do so; I ask the same of the two ALAC members – that is Sylvia Herlein Leite and Carlos Aguirre. And I am also asking the same, and I hope – this is my dream, my aspiration because I was a driver for these reports – so I would like the representatives for Latin America and the Caribbean to do the same even though we haven't elected them. I don't know if I have made myself clear now? Thank you.

Carlton Samuels:

Carlton Samuels, Chair – a point of order?

Jose Arcé:

Excuse me, Carlton - Jose Arcé speaking. I think Lance wanted to take the floor. No? So Carlton, you have the floor.

Carlton Samuels: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I too have to correct my friend from Argentina, but as a member elected by the NomCom Committee I really don't represent the region as such. I happen to live in the region and the basis on which I'm elected is because I live in the region, but I am an At-Large member as it were.

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. Time is ticking away. So this is my proposal: the sovereign General Assembly should charter or give a charter so that we can wrap up on these items regarding the amendment of the Rules of Procedure; so this should be chartered to the LACRALO monthly assemblies.

Humberto Carrasco: Mr. Chair, excuse me. For the records this is Humberto Carrasco. I second that motion or proposal.

Sergio Salinas Porto: Mr. Chair, for the records this is Sergio Salinas Porto. Can you please make yourself clear because I lost the train of thought?

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. The next item on the agenda addresses the election issue. Clearly, in fifteen minutes we are not going to hold an election, so my proposal is the General Assembly that is a sovereign assembly by an express mandate should allocate this responsibility to the RALO so that the RALO can address these items during the monthly assemblies. I don't know if I made myself clear. Fatima?

Carlton Samuels:

Thank you – Carlton Samuels for the record. Two issues: first of all, the RALO organizing instruments allows for the calling of a General Assembly at any time. As a matter of fact, our monthly assemblies, all they need for them to be General Assemblies is to be declared as a General Assembly. What is more important, all of the rules pertaining remain in force. So, for example, this agenda that was adopted remains in force. Let me repeat that: this agenda as adopted remains in force.

Therefore, there is no room for additional items on this agenda. Let me repeat that: there is no room for additional agenda items to be adopted. The agenda is closed. If you look at Rule #15 that was invoked by the member from Paraguay, the Rule is very clear. The Rule is very clear: you have one shot at introducing a new item on the agenda. That item was election of officers. That is a clear and distinct item. Under our rules, to effect an election you have to follow the rules. The election rules are contained in Rule #13. Given that those rules are in force and operational, this Assembly may not and cannot elect anyone.

Given that whenever time it is reconvened those rules are extent and in force. That remains the position.

Jose Arcé:

Jose Arcé speaking. Fatima, you have the floor.

Fatima Cambronero:

This is Fatima Cambronero for the record. Carlton, let's see if we understand each other. The Operating Principles and the Rules of

Procedure are in force. Section #13 or Rule #13 is in force as we speak. Therefore, the General Assembly Secretariat has to ask right now if there is anyone interested in being a candidate apart from the nominated candidate, and then we must proceed to the electronic vote – am I right?

Carlton Samuels: All of the standing rules under Rule #13 are in force and apply, so you must have a call for nominations. You must wait for the time for that to go through; you must have time for them to [report], everything like that, and that happens to be in force. Okay?

Alberto Soto: This is Alberto Soto for the records. I received a call according to the sections or items already mentioned by all, and we have supported that call [launched] by the Secretary some time ago. I do not understand why we have to launch a call again if Dev already called. So what we are defining now, if we are going to vote now in the Assembly or not. So the issuance term for nominations was received by email as in the past, so I ask the Chair of this Assembly a clarification.

Roosevelt King: Roosevelt King, Mr. Chairman? The call for nominations was issued on March 4th. If I'm not mistaken the rules ask for four weeks for the nominations to be in. That four weeks would end sometime early in April. Carlton was correct when he said that they are in force – you cannot cut short the time for nominations to get a vote now. Quite apart from that, the rule states that after the call for nomination there

must be practically 16 clear days before the vote. If I am wrong please correct me, and if I am right it means that we have no right to vote at this point in time. We must allow the procedure to be completed. There is no way that we can vote on any officers today; there is no way we can close nominations today for a vote today because we will be [outside the lines] of the rules. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Natalia Enciso:

A question: Rule 15 was asked to deal with urgent matters – this is Natalia Enciso for the record – to deal with urgent and important matters, and we requested the election of candidates, not the call for nominations.

Carlton Samuels:

Actually not. Rule #15 was invoked to get an item that was not on the agenda on the agenda – that is what Rule #15 says. The rules say if you have a motion there is a time when the motion must be presented to the Assembly. There was no motion to call for election of officers. The election of officers, the request at the time the agenda was being fixed was to put that on the agenda. That was your one shot at creating the agenda.

I'm not sure what you want to say but if we want to stay here we can always read back the record because that's why I sought clarification every step of the way. The motion was for an amendment to the agenda with an item that was not on the draft agenda. That was what was considered very important. Let me tell you further: because the member withdrew the motion to suspend there is no more way that

you can bring a new motion to the agenda. Read it carefully; that's what it means. That was why we were arguing about whether or not you're thinking about bringing a vote to the agenda was an urgent matter.

Roosevelt King:

Mr. Chairman, I need to concur with Carlton. It is not an urgent matter because it is a process. Thank you.

Sergio Salinas Porto:

This is Sergio Salinas Porto for the records. I am really exhausted; I have run out of batteries. I'm going to clarify, Carlton, that what I requested was voting – that was my proposal. I cannot change what I believe or what I say. This was the moment of presenting candidates where I think we have the possibility of allowing other candidates, beyond the fact that our Secretary who performs an excellent work because now I have you in front of me – this Secretary whose work is excellent in our region has presented or submitted the call for nomination or for candidates; and this allows the fact that the candidates may be presented because there is no other reason for presenting candidates.

But I also believe that if there was any confusion [in the middle] I am in favor of having other candidates for this election so that we can elect our candidates. Thank you; that's all.

Carlton Samuels:

I want you to remember, and I hope you do – this is Carlton Samuels for the record. We asked for clarification of the motion because I was very

sure that there was very little understanding of what was being suggested. There was no item for elections on the agenda, the draft agenda. The rule is very clear. If you want to have an item for decision there is a procedure under our Rules. Rule #15 of the UN GA was invoked to get that item on the agenda. It says clearly you have one shot at this; you are not any longer required or can amend the agenda.

So when the agenda was adopted, what was adopted was a closed agenda – meaning you cannot even put another Rule on it because procedurally you'd be out of order; that's the first part. The second part is the motion that is now in play for elections is in play, the rule is invoked now – the call for election has gone out. So you would actually have to call for a suspension of that process before you can even call for a vote. In other words, two motions not possible under the rules.

Jose Arcé:

We have just one minute left and we are going to close the GA.

Alberto Soto:

This is Alberto Soto for the record. The call for nominations, the date was March 4th – he called for the election of the Chairman and the Secretary; this was sent by email. So if all the procedures are okay we should go on with the call which was launched on March 4th this year. Thank you.

Jose Arcé:

This is Jose Arcé for the records. [Speaking Spanish]

Jose Olvidio Salgueiro: [Speaking Spanish]

Jose Arcé: Jose Arcé for the records. [Speaking Spanish]

Carlton Samuels: We have no translation.

Jose Arcé: Time is out so we are going to close this General Assembly. That's the last thing.

[background conversation]

Marcelo Telez: [Speaking Spanish – thanking the staff]

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