Chris Disspain: Thank you very much, you’re very kind.

Unknown female: Hello, who is this?

Patricio Poblete: Hi, this is Patricio.

Unknown female: Hello Patricio. We’re waiting for it to start.

Patricio Poblete: Okay.

Chris Disspain: Hello, who do we have online?

Patricio Poblete: Patricio Poblete here.

Chris Disspain: Patricio, are you there?

Patricio Poblete: Yes.

Patrick Hosein: Patrick Hosein is also here.

Chris Disspain: Is anyone online? Okay. So…

Unknown female: Well Patrick and Patricio and myself.

Chris Disspain: Sorry, is that you Christina?

Christina: Yes. Can you hear me?

Chris Disspain: Okay. Can we have some more sound on the line please? Some more volume on the line please?

Christina: Yeah, I’ll see what I can do.

Chris Disspain: Christina?

Christina: Yes. I think it’s on your side. Can you turn up the volume somehow?

Chris Disspain: Yes, it is our side. Could you please turn up the telephone line, it’s too quiet.

So Christina, can you try now?
Christina: Okay, can you hear me?

Chris Disspain: Yeah, keep talking.

Christina: Okay. I’m wondering if the volume is all right, we have Patricio and we have Patrick and myself.

Chris Disspain: Okay.

Patricio Poblete: Hi Chris, this is Patricio.

Chris Disspain: Yeah. All right. Well we’ll just have to try and make, yeah that’s fine. We’ll just have to try and make do.

Well…

Christina: Okay. We can hear you all right.

Chris Disspain: That’s fantastic. Thank you.

Welcome everybody to the ccNSO Council meeting here in Nairobi – so I’m slightly taken aback by an email that just arrived. Okay.

I should remember that I’m a man so I can’t multi-task.

So welcome to the Council meeting. We have all the Counselors here and online. We, I believe, have an apology from Vica and I think from Patrick, Gabby is that right?

Or is it Patrick on the phone?

Patrick Hosein: I’m online.

Chris Disspain: Hi Patrick. Sorry about that. Thank you.

All right. So, the first item on the agenda is the minutes of the last Council call and the action points.

The minutes have been posted and that’s a formality. Gabby, would you be able to run us through the action points please. Or do you want me to come back to that? Come back to it? Okay, fine.

So we now move to item number 2 – you’ve got them? Okay. Thank you. Just run through any outstanding ones with a microphone.
Gabby: Okay. So action point (inaudible 00:03:59) Bart Boswinkel wanted to inform the ccTLD community about the opportunity to participate in the accountability and transparency review team and asked for volunteers. That’s done.

Peter Van Roste to send a note the Chair and Bart Boswinkel with more information about the DNS CERT.

Chris Disspain: Yes, that’s done.

Gabby: That’s done.

Chris Disspain: Yeah.

Gabby: That’s all.

Chris Disspain: Okay, excellent. So we’re incredibly efficient and have achieved all of our action items.

Item number two on the agenda is the Affirmation of Commitments review. The process that was instituted by the selectors for this review which are Peter Dengate Thrush and Janis Karklins, involves, or involved rather, people putting their names forward to be on that review and stating which community, which Supporting Organization or Advisory Committee or whatever they were associated with and that then the endorsement of that particular Supporting Organization or Advisory Committee would be sought. And in this particular instance, we have one name that was put forward, one volunteer if you like, and that’s Becky Burr. So I’ve received an email from ICANN to say that we’re now, asking us if we are prepared to endorse Becky as endorsed by the ccNSO for this particular review. Is there any discussion – oh, I’ll just read the proposed resolution first.

The proposed resolution is that the ccNSO Council endorses and supports Becky Burr for the Transparency and Accountability Review Panel and it then has the words “on the” after it but we’ll cross those out.

So, is there any discussion on this resolution or any discussion on the matter generally?

You’re looking at me. Do you want to speak? Oscar. Oh, Lesley. So right, Oscar was telling me that you were. Lesley over to you.

Lesley Cowley: Okay. I don’t have a comment on the resolution. I just have a comment on the process. I support the resolution but would note that it’s an incredibly short timeframe to submit suggestions and also I’m not sure what formal process we were meant to follow. That the time scale didn’t seem to allow
any formal process and it would be good if we could do something a bit more
organized for the next review.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Lesley. I think in fairness to Peter and Janis, at the session, the
main session on this, they did acknowledge that there were some challenges
and they also did confirm that they would be working on a slightly better
process for the next series of reviews.

Does anyone else have anything they’d like to say? Dotty? You need to use
the microphone though. That’s it.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc: Are we supposed to propose a specific number of people?

Chris Disspain: No. We don’t propose anybody. People propose themselves and if they
propose themselves and say that they come from the ccNSO community,
which in Becky’s case clearly given that she’s on the Council, then it’s for the
ccNSO to endorse them or otherwise. So in this particular instance, it’s not
about proposing people. Having said that, I should flag that I’m told that it’s
possible that the – I’m not sure whether this would be the Board or this would
Peter and Janis – may ask us to, may say that they feel that the cc community
is underrepresented with only one nominee on the review panel and they may
ask us if we would consider, you know, perhaps encouraging some other
people to put their names forward. The issue with that is that – there are
several issues with that, not least of which is that – a concern has been
expressed – no you don’t need to leave Becky. Most people know this
anyway. A concern has been expressed that Becky should not be on this
review panel and quite frankly as far as I’m concerned and I suspect the rest
of my Council is concerned, she’s a nominee and we would endorse her, if
simply by providing some more names to the review panel, that would simply
enable them to say, “Thank you and we’re not having Becky,” then that really
wouldn’t be acceptable. But that’s just a flag.

Young-eum.

Young-eum Lee: Do we know how many people there are on the review panel?

Chris Disspain: No, we still don’t know how many people there will be on this review panel.
Various numbers have been suggested and my understanding is that – at least
a couple of days ago – there was still negotiation going on between Peter and
Janis. Peter wanting a smaller review panel, Janis wanting a larger review
panel. I don’t know the results of those negotiations so I can’t answer that
question.

Young-eum Lee: Well, in any case, I would first like to propose that we formally endorse
(inaudible, audio breaking up 00:10:07 – 00:10:08) – actually not just endorse
but thank Becky for agreeing to participate in the review panel.
Chris Disspain: Thank you. I agree with that. So, unless there’s any other comment, we’ll make a slight amendment to the resolution, which would be something like, “The ccNSO Council endorses and supports Becky Burr for the Transparency and Accountability Review Panel and thanks Becky for her willingness to undertake this task.” Can I ask for a proposer for that resolution, please? Obviously Becky, you are out of this – for good form, we’ll note if we can in the minutes that Becky is out and has been removed from the endorsement process. Can I have a proposer please?

Dotty Sparks de Blanc: So moved.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Dotty. Can I have a second please?

Thank you Young-eum.

All those in favor – and we’ll do it the way we normally do it – does anybody object or is anybody against? No. Anyone online want to say anything?

Okay, in that case, the resolution is passed unanimously.

Okay, we move now to item number three on our agenda which is the GAC Principles on the IDN TLDs. You’ll all have enjoyed our meeting with the GAC yesterday. The proposed resolution is that the ccNSO Council expresses its appreciation for the intercessional telephone meeting with the GAC to talk to them about the standing of its principles with regard to IDN ccTLDs. And the Council welcomes the position of the GAC to denote the Principles as interim principles on IDN ccTLDs and to submit them to the IDN ccPDP process.

It’s really a thank you to the GAC for being prepared to listen. Is there any discussion?

If you’re going to talk anymore, I’m going to get you another microphone.

Young-eum Lee: Right. I might. I would just like some clarification on the point that Manal made yesterday regarding the fact that she stated, she made a statement about the GAC Principles coming before the Bylaws.

Chris Disspain: She may well have done, I actually don’t remember, so what I suggest is that if could – Bart if we could look in the transcript for Manal’s comments about – as Young-eum has described them – the GAC Principles coming before the Bylaws, more important than the Bylaws – whatever you want to call it. Oh hang on, no, no, I know what she was talking about. I’m sorry.
She was talking about the fact that the GAC Principles (inaudible, audio breaking up, 00:13:15 – 00:13:19), before the Bylaw that says that – that provides a process for the Board to disagree with the GAC advice. But the 2005 Principles were put in after that Bylaw. So therefore, those Principles are subject to that Bylaw. Which means that if the Board does not accept the GAC advice, then there is a process that has to be gone through in order to comply with the Bylaws.

Becky?

Becky Burr: I just want to clarify that I think she was talking about the delegation and re-delegation principles, not the IDN.

Chris Disspain: She was, yes.

Becky Burr: Okay.

Chris Disspain: Okay. All right. So unless there’s any more discussion.

Jan: Hi, this is Jan.

Chris Disspain: Yes Jan?

Jan: I’m here.

Chris Disspain: Did you want to say something? Or were you just?

Jan: No, no. I was just checking in because yeah.

Chris Disspain: Welcome. Welcome. I hope you’re feeling better.

Jan: Thank you.

Chris Disspain: Okay. Do we have a proposer then for the resolution to the GAC? May I please have somebody propose that resolution? Thank you Lesley. Could I have a second? Hiro, thank you.

Are there any objections to this resolution, does anybody want to vote against or to abstain?

Gabby, just for form, can you make sure that the previous resolution says, “Passed unanimously with the exception of Becky who abstained?” Thanks Bart.

Okay. Well in that case, if there are no objections to the resolution, the GAC resolution, then that is passed.
Item number four is the financial contribution of ccTLDs to ICANN’s cost of operation. The proposed resolution is, “The ccNSO Council notes the gap between current ccTLD contributions to ICANN and the sum attributable to the ccTLDs in the recent ICANN expense analysis. The ccNSO Council also notes that ccTLD contributions to ICANN have risen by almost 150% over time. The Council reaffirms the current ICANN ccTLD guidelines which were developed by the ccNSO in 2006 and is committed to entering into dialogue with both the community and ICANN on the issues of ccTLD contributions and ICANN expenses attributable to ccTLDs.”

Is there any discussion on that resolution? Any comment? Bart, you wanted to say something?

Bart Boswinkel: Just to be sure so everybody can trace them, is they were published in 2007. So I would suggest you include that in the resolution as well.

Chris Disspain: So we would include the link.

Bart Boswinkel: We can do that as well, yeah.

Chris Disspain: Yeah, okay, include the link the resolution. Peter you wanted to say something?

Peter: Not directly related, well, it is related to this resolution. But from the reaction that I got from my members from stating the CEOs comments in the GAC yesterday, some of them note that there are probably more interesting and urgent things to discuss at the moment than financial contributions.

Chris Disspain: Than money, right.

Peter: This is just a note.

Chris Disspain: Thank you very much. Do we have any other?

Becky Burr: I don’t think this needs to be added to the resolution but I would just note and maybe convey informally that quizzing speakers on their contributions as they come up to the microphone is not a very constructive way to encourage dialogue.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Becky. Noted. Lesley?

Lesley Cowley: I also support that comment and I think, I mean, I was involved in the resolution wording and I think it is more important to enter into constructive dialogue than the approach that’s currently being taken on this and several other issues.
Chris Disspain: Thank you. Anybody else? Young-eum.

Patricio Poblete: Chris, Patricio here.

Chris Disspain: Hang on Patricio, I’ll get to you in one second.

Young-eum Lee: Just a question about what over time means? 150% over how long?

Chris Disspain: It’s actually about five years I think. About five years. Patricio?

Patricio Poblete: Yeah. I generally agree with the resolution, only that I was reading the guidelines and they seem a little bit out of date, especially if as we say, our contributions have been rising over recent years. Shouldn’t we update the numbers at least?

Chris Disspain: Sorry. Should we do what with the numbers? Attach the numbers, did you say?

Patricio Poblete: Update.

Chris Disspain: Update. Yes, you’re right. We should. I don’t think it affects the resolution but I agree with you that we should have a look at those guidelines and make sure that they’re still up to date and the contributions are still up to date.

Patricio Poblete: Yeah, because otherwise, since we say we reaffirm that document, it could be understood that we are recommending to people that they should contribute at the 2006 levels, which is not the case.

Chris Disspain: No, yes but the numbers are up to date Patricio. They are as up to date as they can be, I think, hang on. Lesley?

Lesley Cowley: The point in the resolution was to refer back to something that’s been in place since 2006 and I agree with your point. For the meeting in Brussels there’s quite a bit of information that we should compile and present to both the community and ICANN, I suggest. And the levels of contributions, the number of cc’s who have contributed can form part of that work that would inform those discussions I suggest.

Chris Disspain: Patricio?

Patricio Poblete: Yep.

Chris Disspain: Okay. All right, good. Any other comment? Excellent. May I please have a proposer for that resolution? Byron, thank you. And a seconder? Becky, thank you.
Is anyone against the resolution or does anyone wish to abstain? Okay, the resolution is passed unanimously.

Item number five is our working groups. The first one is the Delegation, Re-delegation, Retirement Working Group. I don’t, given that we’ve all been involved in the discussions, given that most of us have been around when this has been discussed, I don’t think we – unless anyone wants to – we need to call on Keith to give us an update – everyone’s been, everyone knows where we are with this. So does anybody want Keith to give us an update?

Okay, good. So I think where we are with it has been clear from the discussions we’ve had in the members meeting and we’re not passing any resolutions on it, we’re just saying, thank you and move on.

Ah yes, we should formally receive the progress report. So yes, thank you Keith, the Council – it’s not a resolution – but the minutes will note that the Council formally receives the progress report.

The second one is the Incident Response Working Group and we do have a resolution in respect to this one which is that, “The Chair of the Incident Response Working Group has requested to propose an updated charter to the Council as soon as possible to include relevant aspects and relations with ICANN’s DNS CERT initiative.”

So there’s a small objection from somewhere to that I think. The cat, yes.

So this is just a formality asking the Chair to propose a change or expansion in the charter. Unless there’s any discussion? Okay, so Andre would you propose that resolution, thank you. Paolos will you second it? Thank you Paolos.

Unless there’s any objection from anybody, which there is not, that resolution is passed.

The Wildcard Study Group again, Young-eum given that we’ve had a session, I don’t think we need a formal update.

The Strategic and Operational Planning Work Group – Byron, unless you have anything to say, we dealt with it in the members meeting, so, okay.

The IDN ccPDP Working Group we discussed this morning. I have nothing more to say on that.

The last item is appointment of volunteers to the Tech Working Group. Yes Bart?
Bart Boswinkel: Probably within a couple of weeks I will send out, as Issue Manager, I will send out a call for volunteers to start the second working group.

Chris Disspain: Okay, thank you.

Bart Boswinkel: In order to – and that one will be focused on the structural changes needed to include ccTLDs, IDN ccTLDs in the ccNSO and it’s just ccTLD managers.

Chris Disspain: Thank you.

The proposed resolution in respect to the Tech Working Group is that at the request of the Chair of the Tech Working Group, the following persons be appointed to the Working Group. They are Dmitry Burkov from Russia, Keith Drazek from .US, Patrick Hosein from .TT, Simon McCalla from .UK, Nigel Roberts from whichever island’s he’s choosing, Jose Ramiro .PE, and (inaudible 00:23:35). Again, it’s a formal, it’s a necessity under our Bylaw charters that we do this, so any discussion? Or can we – Becky are you going to propose? Thank you. Andre are you going to second? Thank you very much.

Unless there any objection, the resolution is passed. Good. Passed.

We move now to our liaisons update. Rudy and Ron, you’re here, may I ask you if you wouldn’t mind to be brief? But please, by all means, if you have something to say. Bart, could you pass the microphone down so that Ron and Rudy can do the “Ron and Rudy act?”

Ron: Yes, Mr. Chairman, this is going to be incredibly brief because we’ve lost power here. I think I have enough battery to read what I was going to say. But it will be brief, I promise.

Sorry. Here we go.

Rather than wait until the ccNSO Council meetings, I’ve been sending to Council members ALAC related informative documents as they become available. Much of the value of that information is time sensitive and I will not repeat it in this verbal report. I’ve attended a number of ALAC meetings so far at this ICANN 37 conference and I will report items of note after the conclusion of the event.

Of note to this community is the ongoing discussion about an ALAC/ccNSO Joint Outreach Project, a planned survey of the ccTLDs to find out what efforts are currently made by them to interact with the communities that they
serve and any existing relations with the ALSs within their communities has been postponed. It was decided to precede the ccNSO survey with a survey of ALSs. That survey will include questions about any interaction between the ALSs and the ccTLDs that service them.

The ALAC questionnaire is being developed during this ICANN meeting in Nairobi and a copy of the draft survey document will be delivered to the ccNSO Council as soon as it’s completed. It’s anticipated that the results of the ALAC survey will be analyzed and used to assist with the development of a similar ccTLD survey and the ccTLD survey should be available in time to have the results collated and to be used in a joint outreach opportunity discussion at the ICANN meeting in Brussels.

Thank you. End of report.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Ron. Does anyone have any questions for Ron? Excellent. Rudy?

Rudy: I’m sorry, I don’t…

Chris Disspain: I’m sorry, I don’t know, I keep thinking it’s you. Do we have a report from the GNSO? No. Sorry Rudy, my apologies.

Okay, so we don’t have a GNSO Liaison report. They’re having – just as an aside – this is the first ICANN meeting proper at which the new GNSO structure has been operating and it’s apparently proving to be quite challenging.

We move on now to item number seven on our agenda which is a thank you to our two departing Councilors. The first is Oscar Moreno and the resolution says that “The Council thanks Oscar Moreno for his time on the ccNSO Council and hope that he remains an active member of the ccNSO.”

Would anyone like to say anything about that resolution? Okay, well, as is our tradition, I would ask that we pass that resolution by acclimation.

(applause)

The second is Oscar Robles who’s here, which is fantastic, thank you Oscar. “The ccNSO Council thanks Oscar for his time on the ccNSO Council, starting on the first ever ccNSO Council, and for his humor and his hard work and his vision and hopes that he will remain an active member of the ccNSO and its Working Groups,” emphasis on the Working Groups, Oscar.

Oscar, I’d like to say something. You have been an extraordinary Counselor. You have been here since the very beginning, in fact before the very beginning. And it’s fantastic to have people on this Council who are prepared
to do the work. I know how busy you are and you’ve still put in and you’ve still, you know, contributed enormously, so my personal thanks.

Anybody else?

Okay, well again, if I might ask that we pass that resolution by acclimation.

(applause)

We have two new Councilors to welcome. Keith Drazek from .US which is really a welcome back because he has previously been on the Council. And Rolando Toledo from .PE who is not here, he’s not here? Which is a shame. But no doubt that we will be speaking to him online in the not too distant future.

The last formal item is thanks to the local hosts – Paolos would you like to – if I read the resolution, would you like to talk about that? Is that okay.

“The ccNSO Council extends thanks to the hosts and particularly to KENIC and .KE for their excellent work in supporting the meeting.”

Paolos?

Paolos: Okay. Thanks Chair. Yes I proposed this resolution. Setting up the meeting was a challenge so the fact that it has gone smoothly and hopefully without incident, is a major achievement for the local host and we would like yes to thank them.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Paolos. I concur with that. This has been an extraordinarily complicated - through no fault of their own – some difficulties with the meeting.

Becky Burr: I would also like to note that we have a very interesting and potentially very significant experiment with remote participation – not necessarily with this community – but in the registry communities and other places – and the task was enormous. I think it has gone extremely well and I think KENIC pulled off something pretty – KENIC and ICANN working together – pulled off something pretty amazing. I would like this noted as well.

Chris Disspain: Yeah, go ahead.

Young-eum Lee: I’d also like to note that while I do understand that security is of the upmost importance to all the participants in ICANN, the fact that we were (inaudible 00:31:17 – 00:31:19) feel safe to just walk around the town and having been told at the very beginning of this meeting only to use shuttles for examples
(inaudible 00:31:32 – 00:31:36) might have been heavy on the security side and much less on the just enjoyment of the meeting side.

Chris Disspain: Thank you Young-eum.

Well I have walked and I’ve found it perfectly fine. So, it’s, it’s like any other big city, right?

Okay, so if I could – Paolos you’ll propose that resolution of thanks obviously? And would somebody like to second the resolution? Thanks Lesley. Thank you.

And I think we should also pass this resolution by acclimation.

(applause)

Okay, we come to any other business.

I have one thing which is we need to put the communiqué together and so we’ll work on that. The report to the Board is now Friday morning so it does give us a little bit more time which is fortunate. So we’ll work on that and we’ll get something out to the list as soon as we can.

Does anyone else have any other business that they would like to? Okay, Lesley.

Lesley Cowley: I’d like to ask whether we intend to make a formal Council response to the ICANN CEO’s comments in the GAC?

Chris Disspain: Yes we do and thank you, I was just going to get to that.

So where we are is that – first of all – for your information, Rod’s comments both about 90% of ICANN’s contributions come from North America – his comments that the DNS is under attack today more than ever before have now hit the press. Both in the computer world, .CO, .KE website – which pretty much guarantees they’ll be picked up I should imagine, at least on the Internet press.

Secondly, Paul Schindler from AUDA has drafted a proposed letter to go from the ccNSO to ICANN. But I would suggest that we consider that, not now because it needs to read and digested and thought about. And that we attempt, if we can, to agree amongst ourselves and then get it sent out as quickly as possible.

Is that all right with you Lesley?
Lesley Cowley: Not my decision. But I would support getting our own statement out as a matter of urgency. Maybe a subgroup might be a way of expediting that. Personally I will no doubt have some calls from U.K. press and I will need to refer our statement I suggest.

Chris Disspain: All right. Well, look, it’s gone out to the Council list, why don’t we agree that we will attempt to finalize it tomorrow so that we can include it perhaps in the communiqué and obviously send it as well. Is that all right?

Everybody okay with that? Excellent. All right. Good.

Peter:

Given the specific circumstances of this meeting, it might be difficult, but I wonder if it might be a good idea to liaise with the GNSO since I would imagine that they might be interested in a similar statement.

Chris Disspain: I agree. I would just like us to get ourselves sorted first so that we’re clear and then start to talk to other people.

Okay?

All right, well in that case, if there is no other business. Bart?

Oh, I’m sorry. Does anyone online have anything that they need to say at this stage?

Unknown female: No.

Unknown male: No.

Chris Disspain: Okay. Thank you very much indeed. I now formally declare this Council meeting closed. Thank you all.

(applause)