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MARRAKECH – ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee [C]

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KATRINA SATAKI:

Good afternoon, dear colleagues here in Marrakech, and good morning, afternoon, or evening to those who joined us over the bridge. Good morning for David.

Let's start our face-to-face meeting. Here in the room, we have Alejandra, Stephen, Kim, Bart, [Jorge], and Margarita. And, yes, definitely myself.

On Adobe we have Ben, David, and Lesley. Thank you very much for joining us over Adobe. It's really great to have at least the most active part of the group here at our face-to-face meeting.

I'd like to start with short status quo, a brief summary of where we are and what we have. We have submitted or at least informed the council that we have a set of documents and we will present them during the council meeting.

All the documents that are ready for submission can be found in our wiki space. We have six guidelines and two charters. I'd like to thank everybody who worked really hard in order to make this happen.

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Today I re-read our charter and we were supposed to deliver documents at a better pace, but we won't tell anyone as Stephen rightfully points out to me now.

Tomorrow we're going to present our work to the community. Sorry, I feel like I'm here for a week at least already. Thanks very much for the correction. On Tuesday, we're going to present our work.

I will be very stressed. Therefore, I would like to ask you, everybody who will be in the room, to be ready to answer questions in case I forget any very important details. And I think I will also invite you to stand up so that the community can see their heroes. Of course, we will thank those who will not be in the room but contributed a lot to the process.

If any idea pops into your mind, please write it down. If somebody from the audience gives a good idea, also please be ready to write it down and share with the rest of the group later.

Any other comments regarding the update on Tuesday?

David will stand at his kitchen table. That's good. Believe me. I will mention that during my update.

If there are no other comments regarding the presentation or updates, then let's move to the next item. That's our future challenges.

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What are the next documents that we're working on? As you all know, we've worked on the document. This is the ICANN Board election selection. Thank you very much, Lesley. Today I received the document. Lesley commented and added some vital parts to these documents. I think the next step will be that it'll send the document to the whole group so that you could have a look and then comment.

Another document is on the ccNSO council meetings. Today we discussed it with Margarita. Again, thank you, Lesley, for sending your comments to this document. I think hardly many people are more experienced in a ccNSO council meeting than Lesley, so it was really valuable input. I will forward the document to Margarita and Margarita will coordinate next steps, what to do with that particular timeline.

Then when the structure of our ICANN Board document is more or less clear, I will try to re-write the NomCom selection document and, again, send it to the group for future review.

Then we'll definitely need to address the ccNSO council election document. What other document do we have left? Bart, could you?

BART BOSWINKEL: Excuse me. NomCom appointment.

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KATRINA SATAKI: Thank you. I mentioned that already.

BART BOSWINKEL: There are currently three appointment documents. That's the council elections, Board elections, and NomCom.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah, but when we're done with these three...

BART BOSWINKEL: Yeah, you may raise whether or not you want to consider the documents flowing from...

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah, that's next.

BART BOSWINKEL: But that's the one.

KATRINA SATAKI: But according to the charter, when we're done with all the guidelines, we have to address the rules of the ccNSO document.

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BART BOSWINKEL: Yes, unfortunately.

KATRINA SATAKI: Unfortunately, yes.

BART BOSWINKEL: The reason why I'm saying unfortunately is one of the rules in there, which is in itself a very good rule but it's very difficult to change it, is that the full membership needs to agree to the rules because they're so fundamental to the ccNSO itself.

KATRINA SATAKI: It's not the full membership, but we need...

BART BOSWINKEL: All the members, the full membership. All members need to be involved, and it needs to be a 66% majority of all of the members.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yes, 66% majority. This is a challenge, an opportunity, and well, it has to be done because the document is really, really obsolete and outdated. Something has to be done about it. Yeah, but luckily, we don't have to do it right away. We still have time.

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But one other thing that I'd like to discuss with you guys is that this morning, we talked to Byron and Bart, and there is another challenge. As you know, this implementation of the proposal – if it's going to happen, of course – it will require a lot of documents, some supportive documents, processes, for example, how we select the CSC, maybe some other things that really are related to or concern ccNSO.

There are basically two ways to address these issues and to work on these guidelines that we do not have at the moment. One is to create a separate working group. Another proposal is that we do it under the umbrella of the Guidelines Review Committee.

Why? Because we have experience. Now we have extensive knowledge of the current courses of our guidelines. We have infrastructure. We have excellent wiki space where we can manage things. We're a great team.

Of course, it means that we will need subject matter experts for each particular guideline should we be tasked to work on them.

So I would really appreciate your votes on this. Yeah, I see this. Stephen?

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Actually, it's a question for Bart. Do you have a guesstimate as to what the work load we're talking about here is going to be?

BART BOSWINKEL:

Sorry, I've been working on – but that's purely for myself – an overview of potential processes and procedures that need to be in place. There are a few that really stand out that definitely need to be in place in order to enable the transition. And most of them, these are focused around the CSC because that's where the ccNSO and the ccTLD community at-large plays an important role. But afterwards, you need to get some processes and procedures in place, for example, in the interaction between the ccNSO and the IFR.

If you look at the CSC, effectively, I see two major ones. One is definitely a new one and is probably on the agenda for tomorrow that at the end of the day, the ccNSO council and the GNSO council need to vet and approve the membership of the CSC, which is completely new. We've never done that before.

But you want to have a procedure in place so everybody knows what he's doing. It can be very lightweight, but you don't want to do it on the fly. That needs to be in place after we've compiled or we've defined, as a GSC, the selection process and that's adopted if the GSC will do it. These are the really core cornerstones around the CSC.

Then there are others, say, on their interaction between the ccNSO and others which you want probably document the way

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how to interact so there are no surprises. But that's a little bit longer-term. So the real cool ones are around the creation of the CSC.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: And that's going to be a firm deadline on that, what some months before the [alleged cutover]?

BART BOSWINKEL: At least how I understand it is the CSC needs to be in place at the moment of transition, meaning you have appointed members. Otherwise, the CSC is not functional.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Right.

BART BOSWINKEL: And then backtracking, backtracking means that say, assume the date is the 1<sup>st</sup> of October. It makes it easier.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Right. Backtrack a couple of months easily.



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BART BOSWINKEL: Yeah, and so that means, and that's one of the reasons why it's so high on the list if you look at the program for this week is all around the implementation of the CWG stewardship needs to be in place or we need to start working right after this meeting to meet that deadline.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Effectively, this needs to be, at least the [CS1] needs to be pulled together, I would think, by the time that northern latitudes come around.

BART BOSWINKEL: Yeah, you want to have it by the Meeting B.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Yes.

BART BOSWINKEL: At least the guidelines, so at the Meeting B, you can start the selection process.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE: Exactly. So we really have our work cut out for us then.

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**BART BOSWINKEL:** And may I continue? If you go down an alternative path, if the GSC would not do it, it would mean creating an additional group doing this, which again, slows down that process enormously and they need to set up their own procedures, how they want to continue in doing this.

**STEPHEN DEERHAKE:** I think for a whole host of reasons, this group should carry that responsibility. We don't have time to set anything else up and there is additional expense involved in setting stuff up and as the SOP working groups heard today, there is a budget. So I would propose that we take on this responsibility.

**KATRINA SATAKI:** Thank you, Stephen. Thank you, Bart, for highlighting all of these.

**STEPHEN DEERHAKE:** Yeah, sure.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** There is one addition and I think that's something Katrina, as chair of this group, very well noted is that the current mandate doesn't allow us to do it. It doesn't allow. That means for the council, I know, I know, I know, but in this climate of heightened

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accountability, we want to ensure this. But also the other thing is put it on the council agenda for that reason is to highlight that there is need to do it. So there is also the PR impact. And as Katrina noted, it's also the opportunity to invite additional members.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yes, thank you, Bart. Still changing our charter is faster and easier than writing a new one from scratch. So I do not hear any objections to the extension of our mandate and adding additional work load to our boring and gray daily lives. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL:

Just going back to your question because, apologies, I was doing an e-mail in preparation for the following. I've just looked up, if you look at, there is one more guideline that this group needs to look at. If you look at the officials and liaisons, etc., that's a guideline on appointment of GNSO and ALAC observers.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Oh, we have a visitor here. It looks like [Barrow]? Yeah, well, hopefully he will jump out of the room. Yes, thank you, Bart, for noting that and I think at some point, we also were thinking

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about revisiting a charter of the Travel Funding Committee and we haven't done that either.

So I think it's good to know your position on the extension of our mandate. It looks like the Guidelines Review Committee is slowly transforming into a standing committee. But there is nothing else to do. There are things that must be done. And who else will do them if we won't? We just have to do that.

If there are no other comments on this issue, we're proceeding very quickly. Last time, when we had our call, I thought we were very quick because Bart was not on the call, but apparently, that was not the reason because Bart is here and we still are proceeding really very quickly.

So any other business? Bart is not happy about what I'm saying. Any other business? Anything you would like to add and discuss? Because if not, I have one thing I really want to mention.

As you probably know, Lesley is stepping down as the ccNSO counselor after this meeting and finally, she is also stepping down or leaving our working group. I am very sorry for that because her contribution has been really very valuable. And well, another challenge. We have to deal without Lesley.

So, Lesley, thank you very much for being part of this group, for contributing to the work of this group, and truly sorry that you

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have to leave. Hopefully, we will see you some other day because apparently, it looks like we are not going to finish in the next ten years or so. So we really hope that you will be able to join us sometime later.

LESLEY COWLEY: Thank you very much, Katrina. That's very kind of you, and I will watch your work with interest. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI: So thank you very much. If there are no other comments, and there are apparently no other comments, we can just maybe applaud to Lesley. And David can stand up at his kitchen table.

Thank you very much for joining our face-to-face meeting and thank you for joining, those who unfortunately are not here in cold Marrakech. So thank you for joining us over Adobe bridge and, well, we'll have our normal call in three weeks' time. Plus, on Tuesday, we have to face the community and present our work.

[UNIDENTIFIED MALE]: They won't bite.

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KATRINA SATAKI: Well, I hope so. Thank you, [inaudible], because all of the people who might bite are on our group is perhaps the main reason. Thank you very much and see you later.

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