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ALAN GREENBERG: May we restart, please? All right. We're starting 20 minutes late. We didn't finish our last session. Now, Heidi, did we finish all of the votes? I thought we stopped because of Cherine coming in. Am I mistaken or not?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: But, Evin has the results of the vote I didn't think we took yet. So, I'm a little bit confused.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We did not discuss the umbrella for the SENOE. We did not conclude that discussion.

ALAN GREENBERG: Okay. So, we did do the GAC statement.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

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ALAN GREENBERG: We did not have the vote on the umbrella groups?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes.

ALAN GREENBERG: Okay. Fine. We'll go back to that shortly. Actually, let's do that right now. Do we have a ... okay. While we're taking attendance and seeing how many ALAC members are in the room and whether all regions, I have a request to reopen the RDAP vote. There were several people who did not vote and, for whatever reason, they would like the opportunity to vote, the vote on the RDAP public comment.

Is there any objection to me reopening the vote to allow those who didn't to vote? It passed, but people would like to be able to register a vote. In there any objection in the ALAC to do that?

Seeing no objection, I'll take that – Sebastien? You're objecting to it. I really would prefer no discussion. We don't have much time.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: No. Sorry, Mr. Chair, it was when I raised my hand before the end of the previous meeting. But, you didn't give me the floor then. It's nothing [related] –

ALAN GREENBERG: Go ahead, then.

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Sebastien, go ahead, please.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: I wanted to make one comment. I am an end user, and I am not a market. I hope that we will be able to discuss here something without always coming back to the market. I wanted to do that in front of the Chair of the Board, but it doesn't matter. I will be able to tell him directly.

Our representatives to the various working groups need to take that into account, if we always just talk about the market, we are dead. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: I don't believe we talk about it, and I didn't notice your hand. I'm sorry – no, no. I don't believe that, in the working groups, we take the position of whether ...

Let's take it offline.

Was there any objection to reopening the RDAP vote? No objection? Thank you all. Take appropriate action.

We never voted on the working group subcommittee umbrella. I was about to, but Cherine came in. I was at the point of asking: are there any abstentions?

I see no abstentions. Is there anyone who'd like to vote against allowing Maureen to operate under this new structure?

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Can those supporting it on the current ALAC please raise their hand?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: I don't know about Seun's vote. He's not on the Skype.

ALAN GREENBERG: We'll ask him after the fact.

Sorry, Maureen. You have ...

MAUREEN HILYARD: Seun has actually made a comment. He says, "I don't see the merit of putting them under a group. Doesn't that mean they now report to the umbrella group? What's the goal of really putting them under one umbrella? I think there needs to be more clarity, and I will support [inaudible] as I am just hearing this just now and may not even hear if I'm not online," because he hasn't seen the organogram, probably.

ALAN GREENBERG: I would suggest that we record that as an abstention and allow him to change it in the next day or so, once he understands the issue. Perhaps you can send him a brief note.

You can put your hands down.

I hope.

All right. Leon is here – is due in six minutes, and we've given him five minutes for cutting from his 30 minutes we originally had scheduled.

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I'd like to turn it over to Greg to do a presentation on the uniform access model. We will interrupt the presentation when Leon comes.

I have a question to ask, however. Are we okay with deferring any discussion of reports asking simply for anything that must be brought to our attention right now? Otherwise, we will not have time for the last part of this session, which I'm told is mandatory.

Greg, it's yours.

GREG SHATAN: Thank you, Alan. I'll try to make this a little shorter than the three hours I had originally planned for. So, this is obviously a discussion of the proposed ALAC statement on the –

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

GREG SHATAN: Yes. The ALAC statement. I'll also try to talk a little bit slower for the translators and those who don't speak New York English. This is a draft statement for the draft framework for a possible unified access model for continued access to full WHOIS data, although the model doesn't actually contemplate full WHOIS data access for all, just to put that right up front.

So, the framework document was rather – now the clicker's not working.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Some people say you have to press it hard.

GREG SHATAN: Should I use the AC room?

ALAN GREENBERG: Greg, just say “click” and someone will click it for you in that case.

GREG SHATAN: I have the clicker. That’s the –

ALAN GREENBERG: No, no. I know. But, if you say “click,” someone will click it for you and make it work.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

GREG SHATAN: Here?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

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GREG SHATAN: Okay. There we go.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Sorry.

GREG SHATAN: Okay. So much for the clicker. I'm now using the down arrow.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

GREG SHATAN: Yes. Old-style. Okay. So, ALAC has commented before on access as part of its comment on the interim model. This summarizes what ALAC said before. I'll skip over this, but rest assured, I tried to make sure that the comment was in the spirit of the prior comment.

So, we started with four general comments, first that any access model must be compliant with GDPR. This should go without saying, but there are always objections that somehow people are trying to avoid being compliant with GDPR. So, we need to say it.

Number two, that the rights and concerns of end users must always be part of any calculus, especially end users as those most likely to be harmed by abuse and other violations. E-mail recipients should have the right to find out who was sending them e-mail, and website users should have the right to find out who is behind a website, particularly if they don't live in a country where an impressum or identification is

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required by law on the website. Mail service providers should have the right to find out who is using their resources to determine if they're spammers, just a few examples of many.

ALAN GREENBERG: Greg, Leon is here, so if you can find a convenient place to stop, and then we'll resume.

GREG SHATAN: Yes. Let me just do the last two general comments, and that's a good break point. Third, the access model must be designed to be scalable and to perform at scale – there will be a lot of requests – and it needs to be a model that works as it gets up to speed.

Finally, the various harms need to be balanced in a non-biased fashion. A lot of discussions in this area come from well-defined points of view, and we need to take a step back from those in order to make some good decisions and try to be as detached as possible.

I will stop there and resume when I resume.

ALAN GREENBERG: Leon, you have about five minutes, I'm afraid. We're not doing real well on keeping on schedule.

LEON SANCHEZ: Thank you, Alan. Okay. So, let's take more out of those five minutes. So, thank you having me here. I apologize for being late here, but I think



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that the time is quite well to discuss substance and very important issues.

So, I think we had a great meeting with the Board this morning. I thank you for your fruitful participation, for your questions and all the comments that were received.

I would like to encourage all of you to continue working as you have done. I think these new ALAC and the new blood that is coming to the At-Large community is something that we have never seen before. I think you're doing great.

One of the topics that I would certainly encourage us all to focus on is the At-Large Review implementation. Let me know if there is anything I can help you with to have these review recommendations implemented in a timely fashion.

I know that there is already a working group that's taking care of this. I've been following the list and saw all the meetings of this working group. I think that they're doing good progress. As I said, please don't hesitate to reach out and let me know if there is anything I can do to help you on the implementation.

We are a team. We have always been. I would like you to continue to be that way. So, count on me to help you in implementing this.

The Board will be passing some resolutions tomorrow in its public meeting. One has to do with the replenishment of the reserve fund. I am not sure if Cherine spoke to you about that when he was here, but there will be a resolution on replenishing the reserve fund.

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The idea is to get money from the auction proceeds. So, one of the [trenches] would come from the auction proceeds, and the other one from ICANN org through a period of eight years. So, that would lead us to actually be able to replenish the reserve fund.

So, I would like to open the floor to questions, considering we have five minutes. So, feel free to ask anything you want.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah, that was five minutes, including your talking. Cherine did go over that. He didn't mention the number of years. But, other than that ...

LEON SANCHEZ: That would be through a period of eight years.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah. I said he didn't mention that, but other than that, he did [inaudible].

We have Marita.

MARITA MOLL: Hi. Just a very quick and easy question. You're asking us to reach out to you if we have concerns. I'm just asking, has that happened a lot in the past? Have you been getting adequate feedback from this group?

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LEON SANCHEZ: I have been in touch with all of you, if not directly, via at least the different mail lists that we have and that I follow. But, everyone, or mostly everyone, that has sat here knows that I'm just a message away from any of you. So, I've been continuously open, and I will continue to be that way. Just feel free to reach out at any time. And, it has happened.

ALAN GREENBERG: He's on Skype 24 hours a day.

LEON SANCHEZ: Almost.

ALAN GREENBERG: Sebastien?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: I know what is happening with the budget, but I am a little concerned, with that the way it's showed to us, we will ask ICANN org to decrease costs. But, ICANN org is running the money for all of us. Therefore, it will be, at the end of the day, in the way we operate and the way we work – that's why I am not so happy with this decision.

I understand the rationale – \$36 million – because it was spent for the transition. We will take it on the auction proceeds. I would have preferred that the Board decide to take all from the auction proceeds and that we are able to do our work.

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For example, just between you and me – nobody listen here – but 60 people to the ATLAS? Bullshit. Sorry, sorry, sorry. It's not an ATLAS. We need to gather, like the governments, more than 100 countries. We need more people coming.

Therefore, the answer is: we don't have money. But, we will ask them to decrease the costs. At the end of the day, we will tie that with what they will give us. It's why I don't think it's a good idea. Thank you.

LEON SANCHEZ:

Thank you, Sebastien. Just to echo what you're saying, I too would have preferred that it was all taken from the auction proceeds. But, that didn't happen, and we are where we are, unfortunately.

In regard to ATLAS, we need to be conscious that we have been growing in numbers. We should be growing in funding as well. That's not necessarily going one on one. But, I think it's worth doing the effort to try to bring more people to the ATLAS, absolutely.

So, we'll need to work on that and see if, maybe, the next ATLAS will be able to actually have everyone come down to the next ATLAS.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Just to be clear – I'm not going to go into rationales; I'll send an e-mail on it – I'm quite happy with the amount of money we got because I don't think we could have effectively brought the number of people we're talking about here and used them effectively and achieved the kind of ends we want to achieve, given the review. I'm not going to try to defend

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that. I just want to go on record while I still have a voice here. But, I will send an e-mail to the list about that. Thank you.

Anyone else?

Sebastien?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: It's very complex. Every time one of us intervenes, there is an intervention from the Chair, who is giving his opinion and says the contrary of what was said, or who says something else.

I agree that the last one might be right, so the Chair is always right. But, I'm sorry. Really. If you are happy, it's great. But, there will be only 60 people coming at the expense of ICANN. This is half of what we had five years ago.

So, we're going backwards. We have less financing, and we're happy. We're happy about it. If you're happy, you're going to have to make some difficult decisions. And, it's not my choice because I believe this is not the good choice. I'm going to stop here. But, really, I believe and I'm convinced that our next Chair will take that into account. Thank you very much.

ALAN GREENBERG: I see no other hands. Thank you, Leon.

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LEON SANCHEZ:

Thank you, Alan. I just want to close my intervention by thanking you again for your service. From the first moment that I came to the ALAC, you have been someone from which I have learned a lot. I have been mentored by you, for which I am very grateful. I thank you for being such a good person, not only to me, but for many other people.

The amount of work and effort that you have imprinted to the ICANN community is amazing. I think that there might be very few people that have done as much as you have. That is something that not only me but many should be grateful for.

You have chaired this advisory committee for the last four years. It is good that we have a change, but you will certainly be missed. I hope dearly that you stick to the community and that we see you around and you continue to contribute because your contributions are very meaningful.

So, I wish you well, and I thank you again.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you, Leon.

It is six minutes before the hour. We have, I am told, a hard stop at 15 minutes after the hour. So, I'm afraid we are slightly, to use an English expression, giving the shaft to Greg for the third time, I believe, in this week.

I thank you for your persistence, and I'll turn the floor over to you for 20 minutes.

GREG SHATAN:

Thank you. I'll bring the slides back up.

And, now the slides are not coming up in the Adobe Room – oh, okay. There seems to be a lag.

Okay. Hopefully I can control the slides again. Yay!

Okay. Let's move along. I'll see if there are any hands about the four general points. If not, I will move along and quickly cover the points that are made in the unified access model and our comments on them. Stop me if there's something you don't understand. The slides have much more [information] than I will give you, but I'll try to cover the salient points.

Oh, wonderful.

Okay. The ... let me look up my personal copy. I apologize that now you are looking at a PDF error message.

The first point is the question of eligibility, kind of an overall point. Who would be eligible for continued access to WHOIS? The approach that's taken in the unified access model is to create defined sets of user groups with legitimate interests. Legitimate interests, obviously, hooks into the language of the GDPR. There'll be an attempt to strike balance between third-party interests and who will request access regularly who'd come through this model. Then, occasional access would come through, probably, the temp spec reasonable access criterion.

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In this statement, it proposes that ALAC supports this aspect but is concerned about the lack of specifics, that developing the user groups is going to be critical.

An open issue had been raised about whether third parties requesting access could do through a representative, such as an attorney, and how one would prove that. So, that requires further specific study as to how that would be handled. Terms of use would need to cover that, including any validation issue. As a general note, the access system should not favor or disfavor certain user types.

The next question – next slide – is who would determine eligibility. The framework proposes that GAC members would do this. This is not in line with ALAC’s prior comment that the mechanism should be developed in a true multi-stakeholder fashion. We reiterate those groups, especially since most eligible user groups will be non-governmental groups. While the GAC should participate in a multi-stakeholder fashion, should all stakeholders. We should make sure to balance those and watch out for capture and, where there are geographic elements, try to involve stakeholders from those regions or countries. The goal is a result that is credible to all parties.

Next slide, please. The next question was, how would authentication requirements be developed? Here again –

ALAN GREENBERG: Excuse me. May I note the slides in this room are not being moved?



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GREG SHATAN: Okay.

ALAN GREENBERG: We're supposed to read the small one.

GREG SHATAN: Yes. Sorry. We have technical difficulties. Third question was, how would authentication requirements be developed? Again, the suggestion was that it should be the GAC and the members of the eligible user groups. Again, we say this has to be a multi-stakeholder process. We need clarity and specificity here, and we need to watch out for gaming by user groups or by accrediting bodies that would be aligned with them to create aspects of that that would be too favorable.

Next slide, please. We're up to process details. Who would be required to provide access? In short, whoever has the data should provide the access. Registry operators in some TLDs have the data. Registrars have the data in other TLDs. If they have it, they need to provide the access. Any concerns about this should be dealt with contractually.

Next slide, please. So, the next question is, what would be the process for authenticating users? The framework leads us to the authenticating body to set up its own framework.

This raises numerous concerns. There needs to be multi-stakeholder oversight of the development of the process and review of the process as it moves forward. There's no clarity as to what constitutes a sufficient identification of the accredited users' purpose or who they are. We need

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to clarify the role of the registrar or the registry in evaluating the identification. So, the whole workflow needs much for specificity.

Next slide, please. What scope of data would be available to authenticated users? A lot of text on this slide, but it boils down to: it depends. It depends what kind of purpose, what need is being asked for. If it's Purpose A, there'll be Data Set A, which will be some subset of the total fields. If it's Purpose B, there'll be Data Set B and so forth. The idea is to give only the data needed for a particular purpose. If a purpose is contact, then things that don't relate to contact won't be given. If it's some other reason, it'll match up.

One specific issue that comes under this heading is bulk access. The bottom line is that any bulk access needs to be compliant with GDPR and has a very high bar for that. If it can't be compliant with GDPR, there's no bulk access. There needs to be a safeguard against bulk access by accumulating records requested over time. We mentioned that specifically. And, that it's more likely that some sort of deidentified or anonymized set of data fields for research purposes could be provided than a bulk access to identifiable fields.

Next slide, please. This one doesn't have a lot of words at all – oh, next slide. Number 7. Now, once again, they asked a question. Would they be required to provide access to all authenticated users? The answer to this is yes. This needs to be in global access. There may be a lot of problems underlying this with – and it has to be obviously consistent with national law. We know that. So, that goes without saying. But, this

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is obviously very vague. We'll need to know more about what this would actually entail.

Number 8: Would a unified access model incorporate transparency requirements? Next slide, please. The answer, again, is yes, it would. The one issue is that, while there will be logs kept of the access requests, the logs will contain personal data of the data subjects, who are those requesting access, and they will need to also be treated in a manner consistent with GDPR requirements. They also need to keep in mind the reason for the request. So, if somebody is trying to find someone who is sending out malicious software, you may not want to disclose that to the data subject.

Next slide, please. Would there be any fees? The answer is that the framework does not take a position. The ALAC, I suggest, should take the position that fees should not be charged, especially because end users are the least likely to have significant funds at their disposal and that financial circumstances vary across the world. So, being subject to a fee that's reasonable in New York may not be reasonable where the end user is located. So, we should not have fees paid by those accessing.

Next slide, please. Would there be a process to review the effectiveness of the model? They suggest reviews at regular intervals. We support that and suggest that they should be a combination of multi-stakeholder reviews and independent third-party reviews but that self-review by the contracted parties and ICANN org would be

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inappropriate. I'll probably add that self-review by the eligible user groups and accrediting bodies would also be inappropriate.

Technical details here. The terms of use – I'm not sure why this is under technical details, but, in any case the question is of central repository of WHOIS data. Would there be a central repository? We're up to Number 11. This does not contemplate a central repository. However, it's worth exploring. I'll mention that, over the course of this week, there have been some discussions about ICANN potentially taking on some form of centralized access model. That's very much a moving target that this point. But, it could make sense, especially in regards to how liability may get shifted around here.

Moving on to Number 12: What technical method would be used? RDAP. Thank you. End of story.

Next slide. What technical method would be used to authenticate users? A system of credentials. Okay, that's so vague. But, it's a technical credential, so we're talking really about tokens or certificates or some form of authenticating element. So, we'd need to know how this would be done and what the controls would be and how you avoid unauthorized access or passing around the token and any such thing because access is specific to the requester. The token has to be equally specific. So, maybe we'll use biometric data, which, of course, then raises GDPR problems.

John, you have a question?

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JOHN LAPRISE: Yeah, a quick technical question. So, the kind of processing that's required to create the groups, does this run afoul of GDPR's automated processing flags, where you end up requiring consent? Can this be an issue for GDPR?

GREG SHATAN: I would say that, in terms of creating the users groups, clearly there'll need to be consent in the terms of use. So, the terms of use will basically put everyone in line. That's the easier group to get consent from. Obviously, it has a vested interest in getting in. So, they have to trade off.

ALAN GREENBERG: We have eight minutes left. If you feel comfortable taking questions and can finish, fine. Otherwise, I think we're going to have to somehow handle questions remotely.

GREG SHATAN: [inaudible] important. Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: It's a short important question. Who will be the data operator? ICANN?

GREG SHATAN: In terms of who, the basic model does not contemplate a central repository of data, which means that the – or do you mean for the user groups? Or...

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The user groups would be held by each accrediting body, I believe.

So, next slide, please. And, the next one after that. This is a very long one I'll summarize very quickly. Terms of use. What would be the role of terms of use? As I indicated, they would set all the rules. It's a contract.

It raises some issues here about how access will be provided and the issue of that purpose needs to be defined up front if access is going to be given in the back. That is something that is entertaining members of the EPDP at great length. That issue is one I will leave ...

Also, the framework recites that WHOIS data can't be forwarded to unauthorized third parties, which raises the question of, who [isn't] and unauthorized third party, especially if the data is being secured for a client or for a court or for the UDRP or for whomever? Clearly, there needs to be a group that is assumed, and that has to be part of the model for each purpose, as the purposes for access are defined.

Next slide, please. Up to 15. Would there be multiple terms of use? There'd be a base set of terms and then some variations.

Next slide, please. How would the terms of use be developed? The GAC and the European Protection Board. This is remarkable. We're the stakeholders. This needs to be substantially revised so there's multi-stakeholder involvement and oversight.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yay!

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GREG SHATAN: Happy? Thank you. What kinds of safeguards would be included? Yes, Hadia?

HADIA EMINIAWI It's just a quick one, going back to Number 14. I'm not quite sure that this actually talks about the purpose of collection because it talks about provision of the – is it 14? No, maybe it's ...

ALAN GREENBERG: I believe it is 14.

HADIA EMINIAWI: It is 14?

ALAN GREENBERG: Second page. [inaudible] 14.

HADIA EMINIAWI: No, second page. Yeah, okay. Second slide. Yes. I'm not sure here that it talks about purposes for collection. Of course, the data is being collected for the purpose of providing the service, but then it is disclosed for the purposes, for example, of combatting cybercrime, law enforcement purposes, and maybe intellectual property, [white holders'] purposes.

So, I think that this is talking about the provision and not about the collection. But, then, that's how I understand it.

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GREG SHATAN: Thank you, Hadia. The language that's used in the framework is that WHOIS data must be used for the purposes for which it was provided. So I'm reading "they're provided" as being provided by the data subject. But, it may be that it's the purpose that was provided to the user. So, I'll go back and reread this and see whether it's referring to provision to the user or –

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Yeah, because the whole clause talks about provision.

ALAN GREENBERG: I interpreted that as, if you ask for it for one purpose, you can't use ... [inaudible] third party get it for one purpose. You can't then go use it for something else. I think you're –

HADIA ELMINIAWI: Yes. And, I think it's not linked to the purpose of collection.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah. Never mind. Please go ahead, Greg. We have about ...

GREG SHATAN: Okay. Thank you for clarifying that. That's an important point.

ALAN GREENBERG: Three minutes.



GREG SHATAN:

I will revise. Let's go back to – where were we? Number 17, I believe. Safeguards. The safeguards are good as far as they go, but they need to safeguard against retention and be in favor of deletion of data. So, that's just an obvious miss in terms of requirements of GDPR.

Number 18: What mechanisms would be used to require compliance? The terms of use would be used, so there'd be an agreement and contractual provisions, including breach and the like and future possibility of access agreements. But, we need to talk more about how do you enforce abuse issues? And, it's just not here. So, we basically have to punt on that.

Let me just get this last slide of the main group of 19. Who would monitor and enforce compliance? They suggest it should be the authenticating bodies, but this raises issues because the authenticating bodies are probably not the contracting party with the users. So, they may not be the one to enforce the terms. In any case, this needs oversight, and there probably should be a role, depending on how this designed, for ICANN Contractual Compliance. So, this is a major gap, basically.

Do I have a ... is there a question?

ALAN GREENBERG:

There's a question in the chat if you think we have time. We have two minutes.

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GREG SHATAN: I wasn't looking at chat because I was looking at my own slides. "Do you know if GDPR state laws are moving in California?" Yes, it has been and is. That is now pushing the U.S. government to examine a more advanced U.S. data privacy law. So, watch this space.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

GREG SHATAN: Okay. Very quickly, these are some questions here, starting with the four comments. Whether an authenticated user must provide us legitimate interest for each query? There needs to be one, clearly, but we don't know what will be sufficient. This is detail that needs to be involved.

Next slide. Whether WHOIS data must be returned in response to a query? No, it's the data that matches the purposes.

Next slide, please. Providing access to technical and admin contacts? If that's what's required, but for the purpose.

Next slide, please. Whether logs must be available to the relevant registrant upon request unless prohibited by a relevant court order? The answer here is that this needs to be looked at further, and the rights

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need to be balanced against other considerations, such as if it's an investigation of some sort where the goals of the investigation would be compromised by revealing to the subject that they're under investigation.

That comes to the end of that section, and then, last, whether registries/registrars must be required to provide access? That's asked and answered.

Next slide. Whether there should actually be a fee? Asked and answered. Whether there should be a centralized portal operated by ICANN? Sure. Take a look at it. If it works, it works. If it doesn't, it doesn't.

The reason this is laid out in somewhat redundant fashion is that this the way questions are answered and I know that, when people go through the mishmash of looking at comments, they always get cut up into the right sections. So, whatever we did, they'd be cut into these sections. I also know that, as good as staff is, sometimes, when they cut stuff up, they summarize stuff and you lose stuff in translation. So, in this way, these comments can be considered in the way that they were written.

So, I don't know if I have any further questions. I probably don't have any further time. But – Marita?

MARITA MOLL:

Thank you. Greg, you put an incredible amount of work in here. That is really to be respected. I'm not going to say anything about the content.

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I might be able to quibble with various little bits of it – some of the language, which is really exactly the same language that’s being used in the EPDP. I think Hadia referred to that. Some of that would help.

But, my big issue is that I’m worried about the fact that this is really a very controversial issue. We don’t have to take somebody else’s point of view, but I would like to see us take a nuanced enough position that says, at the beginning, “Okay. We know you’re asking for this. We know that this is very controversial in many areas. And, we recognize that some people see this as only way of justifying the continuation of WHOIS.”

I think we ought to acknowledge that stuff. We put in what we want, but I think we got to acknowledge that we see that other people recognize that other people have issues because it really blows me away this the way is going through when some other process is going on that – you hear all different stories about how this contradicting or almost working against or wasting everybody’s time or whatever you here. I just think that ought to be recognized, that ICANN.org the people that this is going to should know that we know that and we recognize that.

But, since you’re asking, this is how we would respond. That was my comment.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you, Marita.

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YESIM NAZLAR: Thank you, Greg. This is Yesim –

ALAN GREENBERG: And, this is the last question now because I’m told we do not have any choice. Please go ahead, Yesim.

YESIM NAZLAR: Thank you, Alan. We have a remote question from Javier Rua-Jovet. He’s asking, “Will that GDPR, like California law, impact ICANN as a California legal person?” Thank you.

GREG SHATAN: Great question. I’ll think about the answer. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: I’m going to suggest – I’m not quite sure ... I’m going to suggest that we open a thread on the CPWG list with Greg, if we could make sure that – oh, we do have your slides. We will post them and perhaps open a thread of comments and questions at that point, unless the group would prefer a wiki site. We can discuss that electronically. One or the other.

GREG SHATAN: Thank you. I would caution that are soon to ... there’s no deadline for this, but at some point, it’ll be late. So, we should get on the stick as soon as we get back to our places and residence and have one good’s night street.

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ALAN GREENBERG: I suggest within a week or no, later. Finished within a week, not start.

GREG SHATAN: Agree.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you very much, Greg.

GREG SHATAN: You're welcome.

ALAN GREENBERG: For having put this together and then being deferred three times and then being rushed to do it in less than half of the time, yes, applause is warranted. Thank you.

The next item on our agenda is – it's says ... what is this called? Chair's announcements. Any of you who've been around for a while, that means it's time for the cake to be wheeled in, almost invariably.

The cake has been wheeled in! Welcome!

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HEIDI ULLRICH: Look ahead.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Look ahead of me. Don't like behind me.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Forward.

ALAN GREENBERG: Okay. I'm not allowed to look behind me. Departing members. We have a few people who are leaving us at this meeting. They will not be leaving us, but will be leaving us, in the shorter term.

Excuse me. I have to stand up. Do we have a roving mic, by any chance.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you. Evin, are you going to take photos?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: You look gorgeous.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you very much. As do you.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sorry, but you will do that, but I am sorry. We spent six days, and we didn't have any time to discuss the wrap-up of this meeting together. We had a lot of other things to do, but nothing was a wrap-up. We can't exchange between us on what is happening in this meeting.

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I am very happy that we will do this Chair announcement, but, frankly, the time we spend not discussing issues, the time we spend not discussing policy, the time we spend not exchanging among is just incredible.

I have just one thing I want to say here. I still wait for the announcement on who will represent Europe to the NomCom. There was no official announcement. The process was so bad that even at the end we don't have an announcement. But, we have somebody traveling and going to the meeting.

I think the transparency and accountability was not respected in that. I didn't start the meeting with that. I wanted to, but I decided to defer it to the end. I am sorry we don't have a place to do that. I'll take the time for saying good-bye, hello, thank you – everything. But, I am really very disappointed with the way. You know my troubles with those meetings. If we don't have time discuss amongst us, what are the most important things we have seen during this week?

Maybe it's linked with the fact that we are six-and-half days and not seven days. Then, we have to struggle to have seven days at the AGM. Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Time for pictures?



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ALAN GREENBERG:

If there wasn't an announcement of Erich's appointment, then I apologize. I thought staff had sent that out once the decision was made.

Sebastien, I won't have a chance to say this again in this position, but, please, don't wait for a formal meeting to tell us we blew it. If you realize that earlier, just tell us. I'm sure the new incoming chair would appreciate it.

I'm not quite sure how to address the issue of not having enough time. We run out of time at the end every time. Maybe the next chair will schedule three wrap-up sessions or not schedule social events for the wrap-up sessions or guests coming in.

Managing time is something I've always tried to pride myself on. It never works out in the opening session, and it certainly didn't work out on the actions for today's meetings. It took far longer than I thought it was going to, and something has to give at this point.

Before we go back, is there anyone else who wants to further this particular thread and discussion?

And, on those ...

GREG SHATAN:

I just want to thank Alan. I should have said this at the end of my presentation as others have. I met Alan at my very first meeting, which wasn't that long ago, in Durban. Although it took me a while to be lured into the At-Large, I'm happy to be here.

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Alan and I share similar geography, although mine is more in my mind. My father grew up in Montreal. It's my home away from home. My Montreal Jewish roots always made me feel that. Alan created a Hamish atmosphere in here, as much as he could, an atmosphere that was warm and welcoming. I've found that with everyone here.

We have, obviously, a variety of viewpoints, and it's hard to represent four billion users and have a single viewpoint, but Alan, I think, has shown the way in many ways.

I'm really looking forward to Maureen's chairpersonship, and maybe we should invite Michele Neylon in here because he was so sad about not being able to say, "Madam Chair" anymore to Heather. I know Michele is a member, and I've seen him on our list. So, he really needs to come in here so that he can use the term "Madam Chair."

But, I would like to thank the Chair Emeritus now – Alan – for that that he's done and his style and his capabilities, which are bottomless, and wish him a good seat on the sofa next to Olivier and the other ex-Chairs. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG:

I don't think I've ever seen Olivier sitting on a sofa. At least not relaxing. Thank you very much, Greg. Appreciate the kind words.

Back to the – back, back, back, back. Is it working? On?

Back to the previous discussion, has anyone seen Andrei Kolesnikov?

I can't see him. Where is he?

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GREG SHATAN: Redacted due to GDPR.

ALAN GREENBERG: Andrei?

ANDREI KOLESNIKOV: Yeah. It's kind of [inaudible].

ALAN GREENBERG: Oh.

ANDREI KOLESNIKOV: Weird-looking. [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: I think we did a marvelous finesse with Andrei. He's leaving the ALAC, but we still have him captured. "Captured" is a dangerous word in ICANN –

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Trapped.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Ensnared.

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ALAN GREENBERG: There's a lot of words. I sometimes think we should use leg shackles to tie people in so they can't leave. But, I hope you're going to be with – I know you're happy with SSAC. He walks around with a silly grin on his face all the time because he's enjoying it so much. I'm delighted that you're doing well there and that you'll continue to be working with us and [we'll be] reporting to you. Thank you.

ANDREI KOLESNIKOV: Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: So, sorry to see you leave one position, but delighted where you are.

ANDREI KOLESNIKOV: Yeah. [inaudible].

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ANDREI KOLESNIKOV: Thank you, Alan. Thank you, everybody. I'll be around.

ALAN GREENBERG: And, in a similar vein, has anybody seen Alberto?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

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ALAN GREENBERG: Please find Alberto and bring him to the front. Sorry. Once I start one joke, I have to continue it.

Alberto has been around for a while. We had some difficulties when he was Chair of LACRALO. Alberto has, I think, done a marvelous job in ALAC. English has been hard to him, and that doesn't stop him from participating. I certainly appreciate the effort you've put into it.

ALBERTO SOTO: Thank you very much.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO: Whoops.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALBERTO SOTO: [inaudible] me because I continue working, I think. Thank you for your patience. Yes, sorry. You have my support, great support, and I think you have our support. Thank you. Thank you so much.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Humberto, can you join me up here?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Humberto, like Andrei, is leaving us but staying with us. Humberto has presided over LACRALO for some interesting years, and they're not finished yet. But, he's wisely getting out of that position and joining us on the ALAC. I want to thank you for all the efforts you put into it, and there were some interesting ones. I'd like to wish you well on the ALAC. Yeah, I think you'll find it's a different – you've been hanging around the same group, but it's a different world.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Yes.

ALAN GREENBERG: I hope you're looking forward to it, and I do want to thank you for the efforts you put into the previous role.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: She says [we don't have any vacation] from the ALAC.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Maritza?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Maritza, unfortunately, is not staying in a role that we're going to see her every day. Maritza has been the Secretariat for LACRALO, again, in an interesting time.

MARITZA AGUERO: Another picture, [please]. Yeah.

ALAN GREENBERG: He's going to wait until you're not ready and then take the picture.

MARITZA AGUERO: Yeah. As always.

ALAN GREENBERG: So, Maritza also has presided over LACRALO through some challenging times.

MARITZA AGUERO: Yes.

ALAN GREENBERG: I thank you very much for your effort. I hope you'll be staying around and we'll still see you on occasion.

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MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: And, I thank you very much.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: I think we probably need a part of the ICANN history to talk about a number of events that have happened in At-Large – LACRALO not the only one over the last few years. The – I’m sorry. I’m going into a speech, not just about you, but in general about the growth of At-Large and the challenges we faced in the last number of years, including the IANA transition and accountability. This group has really matured. But, it’s been interesting to watch. Thank you very much for all of your efforts.

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Okay.

MARITZA AGUERO: [inaudible]



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ALAN GREENBERG: Hold on. I lost it. I couldn't find it.

MARITZA AGUERO: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

MARITZA AGUERO: Thank you very much, everybody. It was very interesting working with you. I hope to see you around. I learned a lot from you, from the ALAC members, from the staff, from interpreters. I hope to see you around. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you, Maritza. And, we have a few people who are not leaving but are leaving. The first one – these are all people who have served on the ALAC leadership team for the last year. One of the first one is Seun Ojedeji, who is not here with us. I don't know if he's online or not at the moment. He was before.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: We're trying to see if he's online.

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UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Well, this is being recorded. Seun was thrust into the role somewhat reluctantly. I think he's done an amazing job. Seun sometimes has some communications problems, and it's often a challenge. Yet, he puts in an enormous of energy into everything he does and did into the ALT. I'm really grateful that he was able to represent AFRALO there and I think made a significant contribution to the ALT when doing that.

Have we determined – is he really here?

No? Okay. Sorry.

HEIDI ULLRICH: [inaudible] talking to the people [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: You want me to turn around this way?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Everyone is seeing your back.

ALAN GREENBERG: Ah. Sorry. It's been a long week. So, Seun was, as I said, thrust into it. He was somewhat reluctant to take it on. I think we have benefited from his presence there. I think it'll be another interesting year, where he's

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adapting to yet a new position here. I think we can always count on him to meticulously do everything that is asked of him. So, I was certainly grateful to have the benefit of his advice and contributions on the ALT.

Bastiaan. Is Bastiaan here? I've seen Bastiaan somewhere – there he is. So, I apologize to everyone. I've been working for the cameras here and ignoring you all. I'm glad someone pointed this out to me. So, we'll show the cameras our back.

Thank you. A lot of the words I said about Seun, other than the significant communication challenge, apply to Bastiaan. Again, he took on the role somewhat reluctantly.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: Mm-hmm.

ALAN GREENBERG: Time constraints, in his case, and I think performed admirably. I thank you for your advice. Bastiaan and I don't always agree about some things, especially when we're talking about GDPR, but I can rely on him to clearly explain why I'm wrong. But, thank you, seriously, for all of your work over the last year. It has helped us benefit, help us get where we are today.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: Thank you very, very, very much.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. Now we have to turn ... sorry.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: Thank you very much, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: Lastly, last but not least, Mr. Morgan.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Ooh! Yay!

ALAN GREENBERG: I find myself saying some of the same words again and again with this ALT, but Bartlett agreed to take it on somewhat reluctantly.

BARTLETT MORGAN: Very.

ALAN GREENBERG: Again, due to time constraints. I'm not quite sure ... this is a man I respect greatly, I'll tell you. I realized very soon after starting to talk to him that he was not only going to be a good ALAC member but a good – sorry – contributor to the ALT. He is thoughtful and wise beyond his years and can explain why he's saying it very clearly.

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I also – again, it’s interesting. For three different people, I used very similar words, but for very different reasons in each case. But, in each case, I’ve been exceedingly grateful that they’ve taken the time to contribute to the leadership team over the last year. I do appreciate it, and I hope we’ll see you around for a good amount of time, one way or another.

Unfortunately, you’re term-limited at this point from LACRALO, but I hope we’ll figure out another way to make your presence known here and you could even contribute. So, thank you very much for everything you’ve done over the last year.

BASTIAAN GOSLINGS: Yes. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. And, last ...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: I guess I should stay on for another year to get this right. Sorry, Maureen. Just put it off for a year.

Well, if we can’t do photos right, we need more practice. Sorry.

One more. Sandra. I’ve seen Sandra somewhere.

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There she is.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Ooh. I'll try not to lose this one. We face this way first, and then we turn that way. I'm finally getting it.

Sandra served for a good number of years on the ALAC.

SANDRA HOFERICHTER: Six.

ALAN GREENBERG: Six, then abandoned us and disappeared into this secret society that she was involved with called the Nominating Committee. By all reports, we of course don't know how well she's done because it's all secret. But, by all reports, she did a pretty good job, an interesting job. I know I've had a number of discussion with other NomCom people who couldn't tell me any details. But, we're very impressed with you. So, I have good rumors that we have to thank you.

Sandra has, again, always been a good contributor, and we – there are a few people in ICANN that we can thank for instituting a brand-new program that has been impressed – I think that's the right word – who has come in contact with it. The Leadership Program, I think, meets that criteria. It certainly did to me when I was involved with it.

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Regardless of how you continue to participate in ICANN and At-Large – and I hope you will – you’ve made a great mark on the overall organization. I certainly thank you for it. Thank you for your service on the NomCom, even though we don’t really know what you did or how you did it. But, that’s a measure of how well you did it, if you didn’t tell us anything.

Sorry. I’m joking. But, thank you very much. We really appreciate it.

And, now we have to turn around.

And, we have one more for Jose, but I don’t believe he is here.

Seun is online now. Seun, we said really nice things about you. I think you’re going to have to listen to the recording, though. But, since you’re online, I’ll take the short time of saying thank you very much for the great service.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Ah, okay. I’m now being pointed out that Maureen sent you a big smiley face saying I was saying nice things about you. So, now you know it must be true, because if you read it on a computer, it has to be correct. We all know that.

As I said, we’re missing Jose, but we will convey our thanks for his service on the NomCom as well.

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Maureen, your services are being called upon. I'm not sure for what because it's the end of list I have.

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

MAUREEN HILYARD: Well, my honor. Thank you. Thank you, Alan. Thank you for vacating the chair.

ALAN GREENBERG: I thought about being Chair for life, but, honestly? Nah.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I did sort of say in an earlier conversation we were having how coming – I've got big shoes to fill here. The reason that I've organized the structure of the At-Large differently from what it has been is because I could never, ever be and do be or have the range of knowledge and all the institutional stuff that you've been able to present as part of your leadership here.

I don't know. I don't [inaudible] that I think that you're going to be around for a little bit longer. I'm glad that EPDP thing is going to be



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going for a bit longer, so you'll have to sort of stay with us. I'm probably going to need a little bit more mentoring in this role.

As I said before, I'm just so thrilled that you've helped train up a really great team here. So, I feel comforted in that way. And, also the fact that you're going to be around.

I think this something nice here. I hope you like it. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you. The way everyone is telling they hope I stay around? There's law against some things like that, of having people work continually and not pay them. There's a name for it, I think, but we won't talk about it like that.

It's been an interesting challenge. The time commitment, I admit, has been pretty large. I look forward to it just lessening, just a bit. But, it's also been one of the more satisfying things I've done in a very long time, taking responsibility for this group.

It's interesting. You take responsibility but have no real authority to do anything. This group has, as I started to talk about when Maritza was up, as a whole – that includes the several ALACs that I've worked with, and the regional leaders and so many other people who have participated actively when it was sometimes very difficult for them to do so – has just been really gratifying.

I've mentioned a couple of times the work we've done on the IANA transition and accountability. There's a few of you in the room who are

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active in those processes. Few of you probably understand just how influential and how important At-Large’s contribution was to those processes.

You want to be careful not to boast too much because other people may look at it from a slightly negative point of view, but we did a great job, and it’s a “we.” It took a lot of people and a lot of effort to do it. The fact is that we go through it. We ignored a bunch of other things that we should have been working on and now I’ve left to Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Pardon me?

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: No, not yet. And, I apologize to Maureen for leaving a bunch of things to her that we should have done over the last four years. But, what we accomplished – we demonstrated to ICANN and to senior ICANN management and leadership that we really could be an important and a crucial part of ICANN.

I bequeath that to you, and I hope that will help.

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MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. We all know that Alan is an absolute workaholic. It is probably of no surprise to you that we had a meeting with the staff. We're going through a whole of the things that he'd been really been frustrated about that hadn't been done.

And, actually, we've given a whole list of things in his retirement. He's got lots of free time. He's going to be cleaning up databased for us and making up all these sort of extra lesson things. So, he's going to be a part of us, and we're going to be very grateful for the fact that he's actually vacated the chair and is now going to be doing a whole lot of things that are going to make us look good.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much. So, we're now going to just enjoy a little bit of some cake, and then we're going to ... fireworks! We'll do some photos, Evin and Glenn. I think, because a few of us might to say a few words – but, go ahead and ...

MAUREEN HILYARD: Blow out the candle, Alan.

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Blow it out!

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Blow it out, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG: I don't think that candle is blow-actable.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Try it.

ALAN GREENBERG: As we're taking photos – oops.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: I'll just put my hand over it.

HEIDI ULLRICH: So, while we're waiting for that candle to extinguish, just a couple of other things. So, from staff, we also have some gifts. Over the last four years, Alan – so, from the very first time, the very first day, that you took over as Chair, I remember a couple of things you said.

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One that you said was that you thought that the ALSs needed more work, that they were weak and that they needed strengthening. So, it's notable that, as we segue into Maureen's leadership, you're work on the review, the stress that was highlighted is now going to be taken care of, hopefully, through Maureen. That was one thing you said.

The other thing that you said was that you had hoped, as part of your legacy, that the next chair would not be a full-time job. So, Maureen, I hope you do take that into account and, as you – because that definitely has been for Alan two jobs.

But, Maureen, what you've said where your organogram – we've all seen that delegation. So, well done, Alan. I think your legacy is there with the future of the ALSs.

One more thing, Alan. So, I remember also, when we all had our first lunch in L.A. up the Getty Museum, you took my aside and you said, "Heidi, there are days that I'm not going to like you and you're not going to like me." I think that also came true.

But, in the end, again, as Maureen said, your absolute knowledge of ICANN and amazing memory and what you've taught all of us has been – thank you very much for that. I think we're all coming away a stronger team as well, and we do look forward to working with Maureen.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you. Two quick comments. The first one is that I've never worked a full-time which was less than 60 or 70 hours a week. I've gotten it down to only 50 hours a week for you.

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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible]

ALAN GREENBERG: Trust me. You work with me. The second thing is that all that knowledge and experience that you all talk about? I fake it well.

HEIDI ULLRICH: So, anyway, this is from staff. It is heavy, so watch out.  
Where am I looking?  
It's very heavy.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible] Thank you, Alan.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I'm going to put your other present down here.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Don't drop those.

ALAN GREENBERG: I won't drop them.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Cut the cake.

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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Cut the cake.

ALAN GREENBERG: Oh, I thought we were taking pictures.  
I hope Constituency Travel paid for two bags for me.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Come on, Alan. Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Perfect.

ALAN GREENBERG: Am I supposed to look at the cake or the cameras?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: That's a good one.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: They're underneath.

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ALAN GREENBERG: [Can we make it videos]?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Oh, yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: The mic is here.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Hi. Is it on? Is it on? Hello, ALAC. Hello, At-Large. It's been a while. I don't know if you noticed, but I haven't been attending ICANN meetings since I stepped down from the Board. This is the first ICANN meeting that I've come back to, and it's primarily because of your farewell.

ALAN GREENBERG: [inaudible]

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: So, a lot has been said. I just wanted to say that you have truly made your presence felt and the presence of the ALAC and At-Large in ICANN. For any departing leader, there is no thanks that that is commensurate with the gargantuan effort that you actually put in. But, I still wanted to express my appreciation personally and to thank you.

I also brought my own gift for you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Oh, dear. Thank you.



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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: It's been a pleasure working with you and working with the At-Large.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Pictures first.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Do you want to comment, or ...

ALAN GREENBERG: Yes, I'm going to comment first.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Oh, okay. Okay. Well, he wants to ... Alan, we're going to run out of time.

ALAN GREENBERG: I know we are.

HEIDI ULLRICH: So let's have Olivier say something [inaudible]

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: To stress you right now. Stress you. Time, time, time. Deal with time.

HEIDI ULLRICH: You're the one who's pushing me, saying ...

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: It's my job to push you. It's your job to push him.

ALAN GREENBERG: I just need a couple of words ... one moment. I've known this young lady now for close to 20 years or so?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Has it been 20 years?

ALAN GREENBERG: It has been close to 20 years.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Okay.

ALAN GREENBERG: And, she continually has impressed me, not the least of which when we were trying to navigate through an airport in China and it became obvious that she was also fluent in Mandarin. You know, just an extra little thing that was needed that day. Thank you very much for your friendship, for your cooperation, for everything.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: You're most welcome.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Now you want the cake. Okay. I'm going to ... Okay. Alan, well, I think I have to welcome you to a club. Welcome to the Ex-Chairs Club. It's one of these things that you look back – and I remember, before you became Chair, you told, "Well, look. If I'm going to stay in ICANN and be involved in things, I want something that is exciting and challenging." I said, "Well, you might consider ALAC Chair. It's not bad. It's exciting. It's challenging. It's not that much work." You didn't believe half of what I said, but you still went for it. I think that it takes real courage to do this thing.

I just wanted to add one more thing because I'm not a person to talk about long speeches, but if you look at the prior chairs, such as Cheryl and I, there is a pattern here, and the pattern is: you can check out any time you like, but you can never leave.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you, Olivier. To say nice words and quote one of my favorite songs? That's doing well. Thank you very much.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: It's a real pleasure. Thank you, Alan.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Tijani?

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TIJANI BEN JEMAA:                    Okay. Thank you very much. Alan, I heard this morning a lot of speeches about your merits and a lot of recognition of your merit. But, I think we are the best people to recognize that. I am one of them who can say that you are the best contributor I have seen in the whole of ICANN. You have the best knowledge of the whole ICANN. I disagree with you on several things, but nobody can say that you don't have the best knowledge. Nobody can say that there is someone who contributes better than you.

So, thank you very much for all this. I hope you will have, after this chairmanship, another life in ICANN.

ALAN GREENBERG:                    Thank you, Tijani. Some people have heard me say on occasion that I like disagreement. If there's no disagreement, then you really aren't talking and thinking things through. Although each of us can think the other is always wrong when we disagree, having disagreement in the group is a marvelous indication of good life.

So, thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:                    This is sad. I am not speaking about working matters and everything. That I disagree on. But, for your contribution, thank you very much.

ALAN GREENBERG:                    Thank you.

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VANDA SCARTEZINI: I want to say something. I want to say something because I believe that I am the one that, back in 2007, we were in the same Board of ALAC. I came from the Board, and you were the [rapporteur] and Cheryl, the Chair, and Sebastien. We survived because Cheryl, Sebastien and myself together is too much for you to [support].

So, thank you very much for your patience. It was a really great time I have been so many years here, and I really appreciate all your patience, all your time, dedicated to it, because it takes a lot of time in your life.

Certainly, you could enjoy a little bit more your life. But, never go. Like me, you stay. You stay because we need you. We need you as a person, your knowledge, and your friendship. So, do not leave. Thank you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you, Vanda.

VANDA SCARTEZINI: [inaudible] picture.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Thanks for reminding me.

ALAN GREENBERG: I'm told we have to vacate this room, and there's –

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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Can I? I just want to say that –

ALAN GREENBERG: No, she was first in line.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I just want to say you're not leaving because we're together on the EPDP. That's for sure. But, certainly, you'll be doing some other stuff as well.

ALAN GREENBERG: We'll see.

ALFREDO CALDERON: I sure need to tell him something, and all of you. Since ICANN 53, which was my first meeting, I've been feeling comfortable with the group, especially with Alan, who opened his arms to allow me to contribute to ALAC.

So, thank you for that. I'll keep on doing my best to become somebody like you.

ALAN GREENBERG: Ooh. Dangerous comment. Thank you, Alfredo.

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE: When I met Alan many years ago – it was in 2007 – I knew he was going to lead this group at that time. So, thank you so much. We’re all going to miss you. You’re going to be around, right?

ALAN GREENBERG: I’ll be around.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Okay.

ALAN GREENBERG: I’m glad someone knew. I didn’t.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Sorry. I don’t mean to interrupt the festivities. We do have the EURALO General Assembly here starting in just a few minutes. Please do come up and have a piece of cake.

I’d also like to say thank you to Alan for his leadership over the past four years, but he’s already walked off.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Alan?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Don’t worry. Don’t worry. Obviously not important, what I’m saying. Don’t worry.

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Just as a reminder, I will speak up. The EURALO General Assembly starting shortly. If everyone could take their seats, please. [inaudible]

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