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But that some African—I mean, original, when I say original is at the African level, make sure that African-related issue of interest will be—I mean, that African GAC members, sorry, will be able to put to the agenda what is important for them.

So, in order to identify a potential issue of interest, we worked with Smart Africa to develop a survey, and the idea again of this survey is to notify national issue of interest. A questionnaire has been built and circulated by Smart Africa to African member states from Smart Africa. When I say member state, it's ministry and regulators. And it was done during the summer. I think that Smart Africa—so the questionnaire was built with them. Sorry, the questionnaire was built by ICANN and Smart Africa, but the questionnaire has been sent, [inaudible] by Smart Africa, and the response, the answers to the questionnaire were sent to Smart Africa.

We don't have a very high level, I mean, number of answers. We had 13 countries, so it's one-third, I think, of the countries [inaudible], which are two. But we get a lot of information. So, we decided to start from there. Just a few information about the survey because it's important to explain knowing why we have this list of topics I will present in a few minutes.

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So, the idea was to try to prioritize the issue of interest for different countries. So, there was this one to 10 scale with zero means a strict national priority and 10 priority requiring regional coordination. So, the idea, again, is to be able to differentiate national and regional because, of course, I mean, original is a starting point, but we have tried to have a better granularity of the results. Yeah. So, with this, the answer of the survey, we were able to—we had this first list of priorities. Of course, cybersecurity and resilience is a very important one.

We have cross-border data flow and data localization as well. Emerging technologies, of course, is a very trendy topic. We have internet governance and multistakeholder participation, which is good. Green digital transformation mostly because, I mean, big organizations are very focused on that, such as ITU and the World Bank. Digital infrastructure is still an issue for different countries. We have digital inclusion and connectivity, of course. Data protection and privacy, digital economy and local content. Digital sovereignty, even if this term is not very well defined by different countries. Digital skills and education and smart cities.

I mean, of course, we cannot discuss all of this issue within ICANN because of the specific mandate of ICANN. But the next step now is to have a discussion internally within ICANN especially with our colleagues from policy team. Try to find, I mean, if we can connect these priorities to a potential GAC discussion.

In summary, we have five top issue for African governments and regulators according to this survey. We have cybersecurity first, cross-border data flow and data localization, emerging technologies, internet governance and multistakeholder participation, and green digital transformation. The good news with this top five issue is that we have internet governance multistakeholder participation, which is good because this survey was sent to ministries and regulators, not to GAC reps only. So, this is good news, I think.

Of course, ICANN is not relevant to discuss all of these issues, or maybe ICANN will be relevant, I don't know, but this is something we need to discuss a bit further. Yeah, because main issue I'm now—I mean, I'm now talking about the first list of 12 issues. All of these issues are not directly connected to ongoing PDPs within ICANN. So, this is why we need to have further discussion internally with our colleague from the policy team to the different potential GAC discussion or ICANN discussion.

Of course, one of the top issue, which is cybersecurity and resiliency, ICANN is doing a lot of things. I mean, the GAC is not used to talk about that at every ICANN meeting, but ICANN is doing a lot in terms of DNSSEC deployment in Africa, especially under the Coalition for Digital Africa umbrella. On cross-border data flow and data localization, ICANN is not directly involved, but the support of ICANN and the CDA partners are providing to 10 African countries,

10 [inaudible] in Africa is helping with data localization and promotion of local content.

On emerging technologies, we had in the past, within the ICANN committee, different discussion about blockchain, but again, there is no PDP there. And we're adding internet governance and multistakeholder participation. We have the WSIS session organized during this ICANN meeting, and we agree with Smart Africa to organize specific WSIS+20 session with Smart Africa and member state in the coming weeks.

Regarding green digital transformation, it's a very fancy issue at the top of different IGOs from ICANN perspective. I know that different ccTLDs are focused on the footprint of their activities, but this is not something that the GAC is used to discuss. And yeah, and thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you very much, Laurent, very insightful indeed. And I think, should we open the floor for a discussion, or do you want to come in [inaudible] on that?

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

No, no, I think it's good. And thank you, Laurent, for this presentation. It described how this process was done. In Smart Africa side, of course, we try to reach out to countries to see how they can contribute in this kind of proposition to get these relevant topics. This was a very good process, and now we want to show you

these results and want you to see how we can discuss on the relevance and what you think about it before, of course, to see which kind of way forward we can find for this.

So I think, Christina, I think we will give the floor to the GAC members, regulators, ministries in this room to get some feedbacks. And based on that, of course, we can try to propose something because this is something we are going to see how we can propose to the Underserved Regions Working Group maybe because they have some process they set for some capacity building and webinars in relevant topics. So, this is the starting point. We can consider that this is the starting point, and really, we want your feedback. We want to see how we can gather all these feedbacks to [inaudible] what we are doing and propose this to the process with the Underserved Regions Working Group in the GAC.

So, Christina, we give you the floor, of course, to manage.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Exactly. So, I think the floor is now open for any GAC colleague who would like to reflect on the topics that we have heard and the priorities and also, maybe suggest a way forward for planning of activities and capacity development related to Africa. So, anyone? And maybe we can put back some of the slides around to trigger the discussion.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

The next one, I think, is we do relevant topics, right?

CHRISTINE ARIDA Yeah.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE Yes, yes.

CHRISTINE ARIDA Yes, please. Go ahead and—we only have English. Go ahead. Can we have French as well?

LAURENT FERRALI Excuse me. Excuse me, [inaudible] for us. We have access to translation. Can you check with your headset, with your device because we are supposed to have interpretation from—oh, it's on—

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE Yes, we have.

CHRISTINE ARIDA Okay. So, we do have interpretation, so you're welcome to speak in English or in French. Please, go ahead.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE Or in Spanish.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Or in Spanish. Yes, of course, I'm sorry, or in Arabic.

REDOUANE EL HALOUI

Thank you very much. My name is Redouane El Haloui. I'm the President of the Federation of African Digital Businesses. I want to thank Smart Africa to the work that you have done about this survey and the different workshops. And in many months, I can say many years about it. And we represent—this is a new Federation of African Digital Businesses represented different federation because I'm also the President of the Federation of Moroccan ICT and Telecommunication and Information Technologies and Outsourcing. Represented more than 300 companies and generate more than \$5 billion per year.

And the different countries like Nigeria also and Rwanda, Djibouti and different countries, it's for us as we represent the companies that can provide services and technologies. And we are very interesting about what's happening about this approach and the methodologies and different also thematics that I can see about cybersecurities and emerging technologies that we can work also about it because we have also different African tech companies and technologies in Africa can answer about these different thematics.

And it's important for us also effectively after this survey to see the different action. We cannot decide in 30 minutes and one hour about different action because this is a big, big task. And we are very interested to work with these thematics. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you very much. And I think there was another hand. Please.

IBISO KINGSLEY-GEORGE

Good evening, everyone. My name is Ibiso from Nigeria. Aside from the email, I don't know if there was an additional follow up to countries to take the survey, and then secondly, I'm just thinking, is it possible that maybe there's an opportunity for a little more countries to take the survey because this is just about 24 percent of the entire Africa representation attack that might actually just give us like a better representation of what we're looking at. Just my thoughts.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

I think that's a valid point. Maybe like a phase two or something we could maybe look at. Yeah, thank you for that. Please, sir.

VINCENT NGUNDI

Thank you and good evening. My name is Vincent Ngundi from Kenya. I'm also the GAC rep for Kenya. First, I'd like to thank Smart Africa and ICANN for this survey, which was quite insightful because it helps us to try and understand what the challenges are and what the needs are from an empirical point of view. So, thank you very much for that.

Secondly, I think we need to, and I was perhaps hoping that this session would come after tomorrow's session, but I guess it will

inform tomorrow's session in the morning. I think we need to enhance our engagement as Africans. We need to promote and operationalize the Council of African Internet Government Authorities. I think for me, it's the closest of having an organized way of looking at things from an African perspective. I know we have the GAC Africa group, but I think now we can write on the initiative by Smart Africa, which has been endorsed by quite a number of member states to ensure that we have a good platform and an organized and regular way of engaging as Africans. That's one.

Secondly, we are all alive to the issue of AFRINIC. The governance issues that are affecting AFRINIC. And while I know we have a new board, I still think that we're just getting started. We are not out of the woods, for sure. My recommendation is we see how we can also actively participate in AFRINIC activities, so to speak, because IP number resources are critical for Africa's digital transformation and therefore, we need to deliberately, as government entities, be involved and be interested in how AFRINIC or the RIR system works in Africa.

So, whether it's the existing African Government Working Group, which has been there for quite a while, over 10 years, or other mechanisms that will complement the African Government Working Group under the Council for African Internet Government Authorities. I think those are the two things that I need to highlight that we cannot say on the sidelines anymore, especially on the issue of AFRINIC. ICANN, I don't think we have a big problem. GAC

seems to work well, but there's a real concern about AFRINIC and the management of IP number resources for Africa.

And we need to find ways of making sure that—and some proposals perhaps we can consider, which have been kind of in discussion over the years, is how can we emulate the GAC-ICANN relationship at the AFRINIC level? So, that we have a GAC of AFRINIC that helps to ensure that public policy issues are taken into consideration during the policy development process. I think we need to start thinking about it. I'm looking forward to the blueprint from Smart Africa tomorrow, but those are some of the things that I'd like to share on behalf of myself and obviously the country. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you very much for intervention. As a matter of fact, if I may do my own intervention as well, this was one of the topics I wanted to mention. I would have thought that I would see here in the priorities as well something that relates to the management of IP addresses, because that is a very important topic that did touch all of us in the issue of AFRINIC. But I see the point, and I think one important factor is actually to be in the room tomorrow in the GAC room when we meet with the ASO.

And also, to be very involved in the ICP-2 review process as Africa to be aware of what are the proposed changes. Do they address the problems that we've lived in AFRINIC situation, or do we have suggestions to make and be really, really engaged and involved? And in my view, we will need some capacity development in that

area as well. Once that process is maturing, we need to digest it completely, so that we can also be involved on a continental level in AFRINIC, whether through initiatives by Smart Africa or even in the AFRINIC governmental—I don't remember how they call it, but I know there is a governmental group within AFRINIC that meets.

So, this is where we can also be very, very engaged if we understand completely and very well what will result out of the ICP-2. And for that, we do need—I mean, personally, I talk about myself. I could need a lot of capacity development to understand more about the new version. But the floor is still open if someone would like to make another intervention.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

Just react perhaps. We talked [inaudible].

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Okay.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

I just want to react on this, but of course, Antoine, you can speak. It's just about the percentage of participation.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

I think we'll give you the floor to take all the interventions afterwards.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

Okay, okay.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Please, Antoine.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE

Hello. Since we can use the interpretation, I'm going to make them work a little. It's a question for the vice president. When you see the list of the five priorities, which are, according to you, those priorities that match the work within GAC, I see some of these priorities that are not quite clear to me. I don't know how to connect these priorities within GAC, but you're more of an expert on GAC work than I am. We agree the final objective is that the countries in Africa are more active, more proactive in the work of GAC. So, the idea that the priorities that are identified can meet the workflow of the GAC, do you think that the GAC can cover these five priorities for example? Thank you.

If you, Christine, take the floor. If you eliminate the first two objectives that are more like aiming to the efficiency of the GAC within ICANN, I can tell you that two of those five results that are very aligned with the other six, there are two out of six that are aligned. But we must say that emerging technology, multistakeholder participation, the three others are not necessarily aligned with the strategic plan of GAC, just so you have an answer.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

Just to react on what Antoine just said. I'd like to see as well. As I said earlier, I told you, it was the first step of the process. Now we have themes that are quite large, then we have to define activities, precise subject, et cetera, et cetera. If you take internet governance and multistakeholder participation here, you have subjects that could be aligned to the managing of the IP addresses and other infrastructures. So, we are at the first step. If we can get aligned and understand each other on the priorities, maybe during the next steps, we can talk about more precise subject and then we can put together some capacity building, et cetera, and webinars.

And we have to say that here, we talk about regional priorities. If I remember the survey, there was a national side to it. Then we can see here that there are a few things that have to do with the ccTLDs. We'll talk about the domain name economy, et cetera, in general. In the states, the African states think that this is something more local, more national, so they think it doesn't exist in those results. But this is also quite important. This is what you call the bread and butter of GAC, of ICANN as well. So, this could be three priorities that are specific in the GAC strategy plan. That could be very important for GAC.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE

Thank you, Christine. Thank you, Rodrigue. But if you mind, I want to switch in French. Thank you. So much for this survey, you have focused on the difficulties on representation of the African countries when it comes to the GAC. But I think the problem is

deeper. We should have done a state of affairs, in a way. As you know, we should have done this a few years ago. We need to talk about African countries in general.

I remember there were strategies, general strategies for Africa. But the question that I'm asking today, we went all the way to do a state of affairs. And then we know why the countries in Africa are not very active when it comes of the GAC work, and even at GAC. Why are they not active? When we go from there, we show where the problems are, the issues are, and we try to find solutions that could allow us to face that. And this is what we talked about earlier. We talked about the governance issues at AFRINIC. Why do we find ourselves in such a situation today?

Those are questions on which we have to work in order to really review the problems and find solution. We have a lot of meetings. We have that tendency of putting together a lot of meetings every ICANN meeting. And when it comes to results, I'm asking myself a question, I'm wondering, we're going to keep working like this and meet that on the long run and trying to find documents, infinite documents on strategies, and we need to be more effective and talk about the hard point.

Well, I still want to thank Christine for the work she's done within GAC and thank my colleagues. But I think during the next step, we need to be more concrete and when we come to meeting, we need to come with the hard question. What was done? What was not done? And why was it not done? Thank you.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

I'm going to react.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Please speak a little less—don't speak as fast, please.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

What I wanted to say here is what [Senegal] just mentioned is extremely important. It's following what the [inaudible] did say. We need to come to meeting with concrete results. Once again, I told you that this process—well, I don't know if it's the first time Laurent will tell me, but I think we are at the beginning of a process that will allow us to address these questions. We need also to deal on a subject in compartments in a way.

For example, tomorrow, we're going to talk about AFRINIC. AFRINIC will discuss during the session that we organized for tomorrow. And of course, we have quite a bit of achievement on this subject. We have achieved a lot of progress. We have something concrete on a table. And as [inaudible] said, she mentioned something that's really important. What gathers us today is that we want to address interesting subjects that interests us all.

But at the end, what we need to talk about is the reactivity, the participation of the members of the GAC, because during a lot of years, we saw that there was no reaction, no reactivity. And we said that this was maybe linked to the fact that it was subjects that were not of interest. So, this is why what we're doing might recenter all

this, and we might be able to discuss subjects that would interest us and we hope that it will resolve part of the problem, if not all the problem, even though we know the problem is deep. This is what I wanted to say.

[inaudible] the participation on this survey. I think someone talked about it here. And I just want to say that, of course, this participation is low. We don't have 50 percent of all the countries we wish them to participate. But I want to say again, this low participation is due sometimes on the fact we don't have really decent [inaudible] I just talk about from some countries regarding the discussion we are doing in ICANN, and especially on the GAC constituency.

So, what I want just to say, for us, we have to consider that we are in the first step of this process. And of course, during the next step of the discussion, we are going, of course, after these wide topics. We are going to come with more specific topics, and this survey will continue to address it to the countries to see how they can contribute, of course, even if it's during GAC session or even if it's during some survey we are going to send out again to them.

I just want to say something. We need to start somewhere. That's why we just said sometimes we are coming in the meeting, we are talking too much, we are not coming with results. That's why we want to start something. We don't want to just wait for everyone to be on board. It's very important for us. So, this is just a starting point, but exactly I totally understand what you just said regarding

the low participation, but I just want to say we need to start somewhere and try to push. This is what I want to say.

LAURENT FERRALI

Thank you very much, [Senegal], for those reactions. Let me try to explain where this idea is coming from, this new plan, this new strategy. As a member of the engagement team, sometimes we meet with ministers, with directors, regulation authorities as well, and they're asking us what's the use for ICANN. And they have their topics, and if they're not in connection with ICANN, they're not going to be interested, that's why. Well, we have to start with the issues from the ministries, from the regulators in Africa, what's important for them, and see how we can link it with ICANN issues and topics. And ICANN is going to be relevant, because ICANN can answer with solutions for countries and regions. So, this is a new approach we have, because it's conditions to building capacity.

A few years ago, at GAC, we were training some GAC members to participate only with other GAC members, and sometimes it's not very relevant. It's only limited in those debates in the GAC. But so, the idea is not to build capacities with making no sense. We have to try to start with the issues. That is why we did this questionnaire and this survey, and see what is important for those countries, for this region, Africa, and see how we can link it with ICANN issues. It's not an easy exercise, because we have to link to a world that didn't talk to one another for a while. But this is our ambition, that's what we want to do.

And just like Christine said, we have some topics that can be discussed at the GAC level, and she just saw the presentation not that long ago, but we are looking into making ICANN relevant for Africa and for the African GAC representatives with the ministries and the directorships. So, we have to do better, we have to improve. We are looking at the situation. We studied what didn't work. The approach didn't work before. We were only concentrated on ICANN. Now we are more concentrated on the issues of African countries, and the point of interest for African countries.

So, we did take into account what was relevant and was not relevant before. And we have to try to be able to, in five minutes, talk to a minister, and what is important for him and his country, and how ICANN can help out. If I talk about the new gTLDs to a minister, he might not be very interested. So, we have to have the right approach, a regional approach, and ICANN must become more relevant for African countries and for African GAC representatives. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you, Laurent, very valid. I think we have 10 more minutes. And I see on the agenda there is a roadmap for capacity development offers and—okay, please go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE

Yes, I want to add something that is very important about what you're saying now that it's very important to have the actor that's

working on the region. That's why we have created the Federation of Africa, because we have already federations or chambers, trade chambers in different country and with many companies that's the approach, because when you discuss with one guy in a monastery, you have his point of view of him just from one guy, but if you discuss with actors which represent many companies, for example, do you have the point of view of a general interest, not for one interest? That's why I'm very happy to see that Smart Africa is working on it with the approach to federate actors but general actors. That's why. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Yes, thank you for that. I think we have one more intervention before we move to you, Rodrigue.

JIM DIGWE

Thank you. My name is Jim Digwe. I am a researcher in international cybersecurity at University College London. Thank you for the presentation and for some of the questions that have been—interventions that have been raised. I'm just building on what has been mentioned earlier, I believe, by the gentleman in the front. Of the survey respondents, I'm curious as to how many of the countries that responded. The 13 were actually countries that are underrepresented in the GAC as is. Are we just replicating, from these things that we've extracted, are they just things that are already represented by people who attend GAC meetings?

And are we sure that the roadmap that may be presented here will actually increase engagement and participation from those countries that are not? Do we have any sort of measure of the capacity of states that aren't, or that were responding to the survey? Maybe how they rank on the ITU, cybersecurity index or something like that. Just curious as to whether that's been considered as part of the process. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you. That's a very valid point, and I don't know if Laurent has the information right now or maybe he can offline go to you. But one thing just to tell you, I think the point also of the surveys, not just to get underrepresented countries, but also, represented countries that are not engaging that much, because we're searching for the problem of engagement, which Laurent was articulating in the fact that the topics may be irrelevant to African countries attending, and hence, their participation is not that engaging. But again, I'm sure that—I don't know, if you have a quick two minutes to give him feedback.

LAURENT FERRALI

Thank you, Christina. Thank you for your question. I don't have the list of countries, because the survey has been done by Smart Africa, but Smart Africa can share the list of country with you. There is a difference between—I mean, the person who inserted the survey are not the GAC reps for different countries. The idea that this time

we work with Smart Africa, because Smart Africa has focal points in every country, and the idea was to have a successful survey.

It was not the case, but this is something we already said that we can continue this survey until the end of the year, so we will have more information, more valuable information and more interesting information. But for the list of countries, please talk to Smart Africa, because I don't have the list of countries. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you, Laurent. And if you can, move to the next step of presenting to us the way forward and the roadmap.

LAURENT FERRALI

Yes.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

We have only five minutes left of the—

LAURENT FERRALI

Yeah, but I don't need that much, because a lot of things depend on the GAC leadership. So yeah, thank you very much. In terms of next step, since part of this strategy touched on the capacity building activity of the GAC, we need to have a discussion with the GAC leadership and the GAC Underserved Regions Working Group, which is a group in charge of capacity building to see if this new capacity building plan can fit. This new regional capacity building plan can fit with the global capacity building plan for the GAC. I

mean, ICANN org and Smart Africa cannot take decision. The GAC leadership is supposed to take the decision, so we need to agree with them.

The main proposal is to have a tailored capacity building activities, and not just global. The idea is to be able to support a group of country, which are trying to bring, I mean, something on the table. Of course, I think that the gag will continue to have global capacity building activities, such as the one we had today on the new gTLDs, because it's important that all the GAC members have the same information about such an important milestone for the ICANN community.

But yeah, in the future, the idea is to have more tailored capacity building activities, webinars for a specific country, which has specific issue of interest and potentially a discussion. And again, this is something we need to coordinate with the GAC leadership, and Underserved Regions Working Group. Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA

Thank you, Laurent. And I just need to mention that I am an outgoing vice-chair, term limited, but we luckily have Uganda, Gloria Katuuku, who's coming in as vice-chair, and there'll be, between now and Mumbai, there'll be the onboarding and the transition phase. So, I'm confident that we will continue that work for Africa, which I think is very important. And I do thank Smart

Africa, and ICANN org for that. So, Rodrigue, back to you, maybe to close this session.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE

And thank you so much, Christine, for these remarks. It's really appreciated, and thank you for your support since the beginning. We know that you will continue to support us even if you are not in this position. I think that we are family in GAC. We continue to work together.

What I just want to say here is, of course, on behalf of our leadership to say, Smart Africa is available to continue to support this kind of initiative. We will continue to engage as we already did for AFRINIC issue. We try to push many things, and we know that now, concretely, Africa need this kind of capacity building and awareness to understand, and to have more engagement is the first step.

And I think that also, we need you really to be involved. We try to push at all the level with all the topics, and Smart Africa is available to continue to push through, of course, Coalition for Digital Africa, with Underserved Regions Working Group, and other constituencies. And I would like, again, to invite you to attend our two next sessions. The first one will be held tomorrow morning. This session will be on the blueprint we developed for the continent, and this blueprint will make the presentation of the draft final report, and to talk about more CAIGA as well, because CAIGA is something a lot of people want to hear about. We already

start some process, some consultation process, and we are going to talk about it tomorrow as well, and to have an insightful discussion tomorrow.

And then, we have another session on Monday, on ccTLDs. This is something we want to push, to continue to strengthen, in terms of capacity building, and this is something coming to complete our action we are doing with coalition and ICANN. And really, we want to invite you to join this session to have insightful discussion, and of course, to continue to keep in touch.

For the information regarding, of course, the country involved on this survey, I will share with you the detail and the result of the survey to—I don't know on which channel I can do that. Maybe in the GAC [inaudible] list. Maybe I can share this report to allow you to go through. Thank you very much. This is what I want to say. Someone now to say something. Another conclusion. Yes?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE

If I may, I would like to let you know, and I'm on here talking to the French speakers, but many of you did receive an invite for the French-speaking stakeholders in the GAC room. There was a small mistake on the time. It's not at 1:15, it's from noon until 1:00 p.m. So, after we go to the Smart Africa meeting, the French speakers can keep working and thinking about those issues in French, in the GAC room, between noon and 1:00 p.m. Thank you. You're all

invited. And that's during the lunchbreak, but I'll try to bring some sandwiches.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE Of the document, the CAIGA document that we're going to be discussing tomorrow, I'm just wondering, is it possible to get the draft, so that we can review it before we even have the meeting.

RODRIGUE GUIGUEMDE Yes, I got your email, I will send it.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE Thank you.

CHRISTINE ARIDA And I do invite all of us for this discussion that has happened here and for ideas, which I really appreciate that you have put forward. And also, Smart Africa for the roadmap and everything that you've put forward. Please let's use the GAC Africa mailing list. We have this mailing list. We can use it. We can interact there and we can direct our engagement in the direction that we really want. So, with that, I thank you all for your participation, and I adjourn this meeting. Thank you.

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