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LONDON – GAC Opening Plenary Session  
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ICANN – London, England

CHAIR DRYDEN: Good afternoon, everyone.

Let's get started.

Welcome to London. This will be the room for the GAC throughout our meetings this week. We'll all be getting lots of exercise on the stairs. So maybe that's a good thing. Yeah.

But as you can see, we have a full house. We are aware that there is a shortage of seating, and, therefore, microphones as well for you. So we will see what we can do to address that overnight so that everyone can be comfortably seated in the center.

In the meantime, we do have roving microphones, so if you are not able to sit in the center and you wish to speak, there will be no obstacle to your doing that. We will ensure that a microphone is brought to you so that you can intervene in the discussions.

Okay. So a few other points on logistics. As has become the standard for our meetings, we have interpretation available in the U.N. six languages plus Portuguese. And again, we will have interpretation for all of our meetings this week.

We also will have recordings of our sessions and scribing. And the transcripts are taken at the end of our meetings and are also translated into the U.N. six languages plus Portuguese. So this is how we will record our discussions this week.

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So with those logistical points addressed, let's begin to move through our agenda. There are hard copies available of the agenda, and most of the materials, so you should have copies of those.

If you are missing a copy of anything, if you can go to the table at the back, and, Julia, if you could just wave. There we are. There's Julia. Julia would be happy to help you find whatever document or reference that you are, in fact, seeking.

One document that we are waiting for is in relation to the IGO protections and Red Cross/Red Crescent protections. A letter was recently sent to the GAC list for our information. It's really a letter going from the NGPC to -- to the GNSO asking them to look at some particular areas where a difference in views has been found. So that will be a really useful letter for us to refer to when we get to agenda item number 2.

Okay. So let's come back to agenda item 1, and the first item, which is an update from the chair and vice chairs.

We have not a great deal to report, but one thing that we thought would be useful for colleagues to be aware of are some of the meetings and activities that the chair and vice chairs are involved in throughout the week. So I'll start and give the example of the ATLAS meetings. For anyone not familiar with ATLAS, it is a summit organized by the at-large community here at ICANN which represents users, Internet users, and they're having a summit while we are here in London. So there is a lot of activity this week, and we will do our best to manage that.

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So they are looking for the chairs of the SOs and ACs to come and say a few words to meet with participants in ATLAS. So I will be doing that Tuesday morning. And this way we can keep our relationships strong with other parts of the community. And there are various issues where I'm engaged dealing with the other SOs and ACs, the other supporting organizations and advisory committees. And that's an ongoing area of activity so I will report on that as we deal with various issues to try and give you a sense of what those activities are and the content of those discussions.

I will say that currently there is a very robust discussion happening between the SOs and ACs and ICANN's leadership on the issue of overload, workload. Too much happening, how do we keep up, how do we address the problem. And this is one I think we should really embrace and contribute to. It's something that has been troubling me for some time. And I know you are all feeling the consequences of that, trying to prepare for meetings and influence issues and processes that are under way that are of priority to government colleagues here.

So with that, I will turn next to one of the vice chairs, Tracy from Trinidad and Tobago to report on some of the things you have been doing in your capacity as a vice chair.

TRACY HACKSHAW:

All right, thank you, Heather, and good afternoon, everyone. There are two activities that I'm involved in outside of the GAC meetings. This week I'll be speaking, as I have been over the last few meetings, at the Fellowship program. There's a very robust Fellowship program, for those that are not aware, that meets every morning at 7:00 a.m., and all

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the community executives meet with them to share their experiences as well as to share what's going on in the community for that meeting. So that will be happening Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.

Also, I've been involved in the cross-community working group that's currently being chartered and those meetings have been ongoing over the last six months up to NETmundial and thereafter. So that's been happening and a progress report will be do perhaps after the charter is sorted out and I will report on that perhaps at the next meeting.

Thank you.

CHAIR DRYDEN:

Thank you.

Peter?

PETER NETTLEFOLD:

Thank you, Chair. And welcome, everyone. The update I was going to give relates to the work of the new gTLDs working group. As we all know, this working group is looking at some issues that arose in the first round of new gTLDs, particularly relating to community names, geographic names, and developing country support issues. And I was invited to participate in a cross-community session at this series of meetings. It's at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning and it's looking at the current round of new gTLDs. It's being co-organized by the Registry Stakeholder Group and the New TLD Applicant Group, and I was invited to provide a GAC perspective on the current round.

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So I intend to use this opportunity to inform the community of the GAC's work through the New gTLD Working Group and to encourage some coordination between different efforts, which I expect are going on in different parts of the community to prepare for future rounds. But as yet, I've not seen a great deal of coordination.

So if anyone would like to discuss that with me in advance of that session, I'd be happy to chat, and I will certainly report back on any outcomes from that. As I say, I think it's a great opportunity, particularly following the GAC session earlier on the Wednesday morning where the geographic names subgroup will be presenting to the community on the GAC's work in this area to go straight into a session with the community more broadly.

So I think it's a very useful opportunity.

Thank you.

CHAIR DRYDEN:

Thank you for that.

Thomas? Okay.

Great. All right. So with that, let's have our traditional introductions.

We do have a full house so it's going to take a bit of time. But usually at the beginning of our meetings, we introduce ourselves going around the room before we move further through the agenda.

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So let's do that. In terms of tracking attendance, I think some here might not be aware of how we handle that, so could I ask one of you to...

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I believe there is a sheet that will be passed around today, and every day during the meeting, for you to write your name and email details and we'll collect that sheet at the end of each day and keep a record of who is at those meetings and when the minutes go out we append a list of the attendees at this London ICANN GAC meeting.

CHAIR DRYDEN:

Thank you, Michelle. And I can see Julia nodding and saying yes, that is happening. Okay. So that is how we will handle tracking attendance at the meeting.

Okay.

So I will start. I think it's obvious that -- who I am, but my name is Heather Dryden. I work for the Canadian government, and I chair the Governmental Advisory Committee. To my right, we have Tom and Michelle from the ACIG secretariat, and we have, as well, ICANN support staff. So I introduced Julia, and Olof is at the back there. Olof is waving. So if you need assistant with anything at the meetings, recognize these folks, these friendly faces and please feel free to approach them for assistance.

Okay. So I will go to my left and we'll take it from there.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO:           Okay. Tracy Hackshaw, from Trinidad and Tobago and one of the vice chairs of the GAC.

AUSTRALIA:                         Peter Nettlefold representing the Australian government and one of the vice chairs.

SWITZERLAND:                    My name is Thomas Schneider, I'm representing Switzerland and I'm the third vice chair.

CHAIR DRYDEN:                  Okay. So if we can turn to Peru.

PERU:                               (Saying name) from Peru from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

CZECH REPUBLIC:                 Marketa Novakova from the Czech Republic.

INDONESIA:                         Ashwin Sasongko from Indonesia, from Indonesian National ICT Council.

MALAYSIA:                         Rafida from Malaysia.

ARGENTINA:                       (Saying name) From Argentina.

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ARGENTINA: Olga Cavalli, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Argentina.

BANGLADESH: Good afternoon. This is (saying name), Minister Information, Bangladesh government, Bangladesh.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION: Good afternoon. Camino Manjon from the European Commission.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION: Good afternoon, Erik Forsberg from the European Commission and welcome to Europe to all of you.

PORTUGAL: Ana Neves from Portugal.

IRAN: Kavouss Arasteh from Iran. Thank you.

AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION: Moctar, African Union Commission.

AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION: Alice Munyua, African Union Commission.



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UNITED KINGDOM: Good afternoon. Mark Carvell representing the host country for this meeting, so I'm from the U.K. government Department for Culture, Media and Sport. I'd like to welcome you all to London. We've even laid on some nice weather for you. I hope we'll have a chance, maybe, to escape to enjoy it, but I hope you all have a very enjoyable stay here and have some time maybe afterwards to see some of the sights.

Thank you very much.

SRI LANKA: Jayantha Fernando, director and legal advisor of ICT Agency of Sri Lanka. I'm happy to be back after a gap of one year.

Thank you.

BRAZIL: Good afternoon. I'm (saying name) Santos from the Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of Brazil.

NIUE: Good afternoon. I'm Par Brumark representing the government of Niue, or Niue, depending on pronunciation. Happy to be here.

SINGAPORE: Good afternoon. I'm Lim Choon-Sai from Singapore.

ISRAEL: I am (saying name) representing Israel.

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HUNGARY: Good afternoon. I'm Peter Major from Hungary.

OIC: Good afternoon, everyone. I am Wajdi Alquliti representing Organization for Islamic Cooperation OIC.

Thank you.

ROMANIA: Sorina Teleanu, Romania.

CHINA: Good Afternoon, my name is (saying name). I'm from China, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology.

THAILAND: Hi. I'm Pitinan Kooarmornpatana, Electronic Transaction Development Agency, Thailand.

THAILAND: Good afternoon. Wanawit Ahkuputra, GAC, Thailand, from Ministry of ICT.

NORWAY: Good afternoon. My name is Ornulf Storm, representing Norway.

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NORWAY: Good afternoon. My name is Elise Lindeberg, also representing Norway.

SPAIN: Hello, everyone. This is Rafael Pérez Galindo representing Spain.

NETHERLANDS: Good afternoon. Thomas de Haan from the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Thank you.

OECD: Good afternoon, Alexandra (saying name). I'm representing OECD as well as the coalition of some 40 international organizations, some of whom are observers here and are present here today.

EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY: Good afternoon. Gisella (saying name). I'm representing here the European Space Agency, one of these international organizations.

BELGIUM: Good afternoon. I am Jan Vannieuwenhuysse. I represent Belgium.

AUSTRIA: Good afternoon. My name is (saying name). I'm from the Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology from Austria.

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- AUSTRIA: Good afternoon. Christian Singer from Austria.
- LUXEMBOURG: Good afternoon, I'm Claudine Kariger from Luxembourg, Media and Communication Ministry.
- SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE: Good afternoon. Deolindo Boa Esperança from Sao Tome and Principe.
- SLOVENIA: Good afternoon. My name is Peter Sterle. I representing Slovenia.
- CROATIA: Hello. My name is Zdravko Jukic. I represent Croatia.
- DENMARK: Good afternoon. Finn Petersen, Danish Business Authority.
- DENMARK: Julia Wolman from the Danish Business Authority as well.
- SWEDEN: My name is Bo Martinsson from Sweden.
- SWEDEN: Good afternoon. Anders Hektor representing Sweden.

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FRANCE: Hello, everyone. I'm Damien Coudeville representing the French government.

FRANCE: Good afternoon. Laurent (saying name) from the French Ministry of Economy.

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA: Good afternoon, I'm Henry Kassen from the Republic of Namibia.

VATICAN CITY STATE: Good afternoon. My name is Mauro Milita representing Vatican City State.

ITALY: Good afternoon. Rita Forsi from Italy, Ministry of Economic Development.

ITALY: Good afternoon, Stefano Trumpy representing Italy.

CHINA: Good afternoon, my name is Cui Shutian from China.

FINLAND: Good afternoon. Juuso Moisander from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

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TURKEY: Hello. This is Ihsan Durdu representing Turkish government, advising the Turkish government.

Thank you.

BARBADOS: Good afternoon. My name is Reggie Bourne representing the government of Barbados.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA: Good afternoon. This is Bo-young Kim representing Korea.

JAMAICA: Good afternoon. I am Gary Campbell, and I represent the Jamaican government.

RWANDA: Good afternoon. My name is Justin Rugo representing Rwanda.

POLAND: Good afternoon. This is Emil Kedzierski from Poland, representing Polish government.

Thank you.

AUSTRALIA: Good afternoon. Marianne Cullen representing Australia.

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NEW ZEALAND: Good afternoon. (Saying name) representing New Zealand.

UNITED STATES: Good afternoon. Suzanne Radell representing the United States.

LEBANON: Greetings, everyone. Imad Hoballah from Lebanon.

COLOMBIA: Good afternoon. My name is (saying name). I'm representing Colombia.

TAIWAN: Hello, everybody. My name is Chen Chung-Shu and I represent Taiwan.

NAURU: Good afternoon. I'm Criden Appi from Nauru.

JAPAN: Good afternoon, everyone. My name is Yamaguchi, representing Japan.

TUNISIA: Good afternoon. Sihem Trabelsi representing Tunisia.

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NIGERIA: Good afternoon. (saying name) Ministry of Communication and Technology, Nigeria.

KENYA: Good afternoon. My name is Lynette (saying name) from the Communications Commission of Kenya.

SWITZERLAND: Good afternoon. My name is Stephane (saying name) representing Switzerland.

SWEDEN: Good afternoon, my name is Frederick (saying name). I'm in the Federal Office of Communication of Sweden.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE: Good afternoon, everybody. Lee Hibbard from the Council of Europe.

WBU: I'm (saying name), representing WBU, World Broadcasting Union.

CHAIR DRYDEN: Thank you. Are there any other colleagues not seated in the center? There we are. Please introduce ourselves.

COOK ISLANDS: Good afternoon. My name is (saying name) representing government of the Cook Islands.



MARSHALL ISLANDS:                    Good afternoon. Rommel Natividad, representing Marshall Islands.

CHAIR DRYDEN:                        Okay. Is that everyone?

Great. All right. So thank you.