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Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay, we'll be starting in one minute. Okay, could we have the recording on please? Good afternoon everybody; welcome back. This is the ALAC Regional Leadership Wrap-Up Meeting. The time is 15:44, today on the 14th of March 2012, and we have an agenda which is going to change a little bit in order to be able to carry on with the important business first. We will start with the report from RALO Chairs, and that will actually be abridged because as you might have noticed, there are no RALO Chairs, well there are very few RALO Chairs in the room.

And also at the same time, there used to be reports from our liaisons and you will notice we don't have liaisons in the room. The reason is because this meeting is setup at a different time than our usual time and our liaisons are busy, apart from Edmon who has already been busy before or is going to be busy after this meeting, but thank you for being able to join us. But our other liaisons are busy in their respective supporting organizations, although we do have one liaison who we will be introducing in a moment.

Then as a second agenda item, we will be going to the review and wrap-up with the objections process proposal, the draft ALAC statement on WHOIS RT Draft Report, and we will also be introducing, as I just mentioned, Julie Hammer, the ALAC liaison to the SSAC. There is also an item which is not currently on the agenda, which Evan, could you please give us a quick description of the item, just the title.

Evan Leibovitch:

Sorry, it's just a presentation in review of the Future Challenges Working Group and basically just the final review of it.

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Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay, thank you Evan. And then afterwards we will have the report from LACRALO Chair Jose Arce and Secretary Dev Anand Teelucksingh on the LACRALO Costa Rica events. If Glenn McKnight makes it here by the time we reach his point, we'll have a Moodle presentation, a short presentation of what Moodle is. You might, well; we'll get onto it when we reach it. And that will close our meeting in an hour and a half.

We'll start with a roll call so as to make sure that we have quorum. So starting from Ganesh over at my far left, which is, well we'll go anti-clockwise. If we could please have your name and ALAC or your affiliation please?

Ganesh Kumar: Ganesh Kumar, ALAC member.

Darlene Thompson: Darlene Thompson, Secretariat, North American RALO.

Edmon Chung: Edmon Chung, ISOC Hong Kong, APRALO.

Rinalia Abdul Rahim: Rinalia Abdul Rahim, ALAC.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Edmon, correction – ALAC member as well. We need to know who is ALAC, so start again from you Edmon please.

Edmon Chung: Okay, Edmon Chung, ISOC Hong Kong, APRALR, ALAC member.

Rinalia Abdul Rahim: Rinalia Abdul Rahim, ALAC.

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: Jean-Jacques Subrenat, ALAC.

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro, ALAC.

Siranush Vardanyan: Siranush Vardanyan, NomCom.

Male: From ALAC.

Aminata Sy: Aminata Sy, ICANN Fellow.

Carlton Samuels: Carlton Samuels, ALAC.

Evan Leibovitch: Evan Leibovitch, North American ALAC.

Tijani Ben Jemaa: Tijani Ben Jemaa, AFRALO and ALAC.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Olivier Crépin-Leblond, ALAC Chair.

Holly Raiche: Holly Raiche, vice-Chair, APRALO.

Heidi Ullrich: Heidi Ullrich, ICANN staff.

Silvia Vivanco: Silvia Vivanco, ICANN staff.

Matt Ashtiani: Matt Ashtiani, ICANN staff.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh: Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat.

Wolf Ludwig: Wolf Ludwig, EURALO.

Sandra Hoferichter: Sandra Hoferichter, EURALO and ALAC.

Moses Bagyendera: Moses Bagyendera, Fellow.

Male: (Inaudible) from EURALO.

Sivasubramanian Muthusamy: Sivasubramanian Muthusamy, ISOC India Chennai, APRALO.

Eduardo Diaz: Eduardo Diaz, ISOC Puerto Rico, NARALO, and ALAC member.

Beau Brendler:

NARALO Chair.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay, thank you very much. Could I have confirmation from staff that we are quarate please?

Matt Ashtiani:

Correct, we are quarate.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay, thanks very much Matt. You were faster than Heidi in getting to the mic. Well done. Okay, now you will see, on your Adobe Connect screen you will see the agenda as it has been modified. Are there any comments on the agenda or is the agenda adopted? I didn't make a motion, it's just adoption of the agenda. Okay so, let's start up then with the report from the RALO Chairs. Those will be sent by email, so if we can ask, well I guess it's an Action Item isn't it, to advise the – would you like to make yours Wolf?

Wolf Ludwig:

Well if it's preferred I can do it shortly. I wanted to ask a question. Our monthly reports on the work space are complete. So we have everything is together, but this may be too long, therefore if it is desired I can make a short summary.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay Wolf, yeah the idea was to gain some time because we do have some things that we might need to discuss. So if you wish, if you could send the report in. I know that they are on the Wiki; you file them very regularly, so I think that we can just have them sent in. No need to record or read them over here. So, as mentioned earlier, reports from our liaisons will also be sent in and we can therefore move over to item number two. Okay so I've just been alerted

that we do have an ExCom meeting on Friday, and if the reports could be filed by Friday it would allow the ExCom to review them.

So, review and wrap-up – the first thing is the objections process and you should find somewhere hopefully a link to the report. The report was sent in earlier and we're going to have to vote on it basically to adopt it. The process was worked on by the New gTLD Working Group. I'm not quite sure if everybody here has read the report; I know that a majority have. Would you need to have an introduction on it? I don't see anyone waving their hands around. I guess we've all been quite immersed with it.

It is on your screen at the moment. It's an extensive report. It's, I think, very well written. The working group has really spent an enormous amount of time on this and it really shows and we have graphics of how the process will work, in there you also have an actual weekly schedule of what needs to be done from the start. And when I asked the At-Large working group on new gTLDs, I was told this needs to start ASAP.

So to get the clock ticking, I propose that we vote right here. So shall we have a motion or how does it work? So the motion to pass the report...

Evan Leibovitch: Sorry, I move to pass the report.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you and we have a second?

Eduardo Diaz: I second the motion.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Eduardo. So Evan Leibovitch passed the report, seconded by Eduardo – any other seconders? It would be good to have someone from each

region. We have Carlton, we have Rinalia, and we have Tijani; great. Okay, so all ALAC members in favor could you please raise your hand now. Only ALAC members. Thank you. Anyone against? Nobody against. Any abstentions? No abstentions. Did I see – no, no abstentions I said.

Tijani Ben Jemaa:

Thank you Olivier. This work, this huge work that was done thanks to one person, who is Dev sitting here. Dev did most of this work and Dev is the kind of people who doesn't speak a lot but who works a lot and he works very good. So, thank you Dev.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Thank you Tijani, you took the words straight out of my mouth. That's great; absolutely. So, the next one that we have on our list is the WHOIS Draft Report. Before we do that let's read to the record.

Matt Ashtiani:

The motion was to pass the objections process, it was seconded by Evan Leibovitch. For the "yes" I have Ganesh Kumar, Yaovi Atohou, Edmon Chung, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, Sala Tamanikawaiwaimaro, Carlton Samuels, Evan Leibovitch, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Sandra Hoferichter and Eduardo Diaz.

Evan Leibovitch:

Sala, for the record, could you pronounce your last name?

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro:

Tamanikawaiwaimaro.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay we'll have to attest if Matt remembers this one. So the next one is the WHOIS Draft Report and if we could have the WHOIS Draft Report on the

screen please. So, this one is a statement, which has taken several months because it's in response to a public comment period. It's loading at the moment. We are waiting for it to load at the moment. So the public comment period is the WHOIS Policy Review Team Draft Report, the comment period closes on the 18th of March, 2012. The WHOIS Working Group has been working on this. Carlton, just a few words about this please?

Carlton Samuels:

Thank you Chair. Carlton Samuels for the record. This draft of the statement was placed up there for quite some time. You would have seen that there were two comments that were made on the Wiki. You will see the substantive comments. There's also been comments made, a couple of comments on the list and directly to me. We have amended the original draft in three instances. The positive comments were that we needed to say something more about the data accuracy field, and if you notice, we have added a whole paragraph on data accuracy.

The substantive comment on data accuracy was that we had in passing said that we were fully in support of a data accuracy regime, and some members felt that we should go further. Although we had a previous statement that spoke in longer passage on data accuracy, the feeling was that we should push back against this idea that data accuracy could not be achieved because there is demonstrable evidence that if you have a regime that took a step wise process to data accuracy, much as the review team is promoting, for example, you notice they say they wanted a timetable to have a 50% reduction and then another 50% reduction; that's a step wise process.

So instead of repeating that instance we just simply confirm – we are not saying that that is the perfect number to achieve and there was lots of arguments inside the review team discussions with the Board and with the community that says it was too rigid a target. So we kind of backed away from having a target but simply endorse the idea of having a step wise reduction in inaccurate WHOIS records.

The other substantive comment was for us to clarify the fact that we are not against white listed services for law enforcement. And what the statement did was to make sure that it is very clear that we are talking about the WHOIS data set that is specified in the RAA. When I say the data set, there are certain fields that the RAA actually says “This is what you should collect”; that is the data set. And what we are saying is there’s a contractual obligation to collect it and there’s a contractual obligation to display it and make it accessible. That’s what’s in the contract now and all we’re saying is enforce it.

So we’re not against white listed services. What we’re against is any ability to deny ordinary internet users access to WHOIS data set as is now inscribed in the RAA. That’s the issue. So I changed the language to clarify that. And finally it was felt that we should say something about the next steps in the series. We shouldn’t put ourselves out of the line. One of the things that comes out of the discussion is that because the review is authorized under the Affirmation of Commitments, there is the expectation that the Board will take some action based on the recommendations. And that includes implementation of any or all of the recommendations.

It was felt that we should be in a position to be in the loop when they are implementing the recommendations. This morning it was good to hear in the Board/RT discussions that the Board Chairmen said that he was committed to providing an open access to the implementation milestone report. And he was committed to providing free access to that information. So I changed the very last paragraph to write the ALAC into that process as one of the recipients of those briefings on implementation progress.

So those were the major changes that was made to the draft report based on the feedback that we got. I don’t think there are any other substantive ones, this is my judgment. I believe that if you read it through, unless you find any other substantive point that is left out, then we might add it and it is ready for action. Thank you Chair.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Carlton. Are there any questions from the floor? Well thank you Carlton for this extensive view into the process and I see that plenty of input has come into this. I think we're ready for a vote. So would anyone propose the motion to vote for this? Tijani? So, proposed by Tijani; any seconders? Jean-Jacques. And we'll proceed forward with the vote.

So the vote is on the WHOIS Policy Review Team Draft Report. It's the statement of the ALAC on this WHOIS Policy Review Team Draft Report and anyone "for" – ALAC members only of course – "for" please raise your hand now. Okay, any votes against? Any abstentions? So no one against and no abstentions. Could we please have read to the record the list of people who voted for it?

Matt Ashtiani: The motion was to pass the At-Large WHOIS Policy Review Team Draft Report. The motion to pass was made by Tijani Ben Jemaa, it was seconded by Evan Leibovitch and Jean-Jacques Subrenat. For "yes" I have Ganesh Kumar, Yaovi Atohoun, Edmon Chung, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro, Carlton Samuels, Evan Leibovitch, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Sandra Hoferichter and Eduardo Diaz.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Matt. And now we are on to the third part of review and wrap-up, and that is the introduction of Julie Hammer. Before that we have Wolf.

Julie Hammer: Good morning everyone, good morning Olivier.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Wolf wishes to say something. Wolf Ludwig.

Wolf Ludwig: Yes it's Wolf Ludwig for the record. I have a question of clarification and procedure regarding this issue because we just phrased the issue and I even said there was a second candidate submitted by EURALO and it was Lutz Donnerhacke suggested by me on 14th of October. It was seconded by Sandra on the 16th; second "second" by Annette+ on the 17th and Julie Hammer was suggested by Cheryl on the 25th of October. As far as we could realize the nomination was not seconded. My question now...

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Sorry could you speak into the microphone, I can't hear you too well Wolf?

Wolf Ludwig: My question is now when the final selection of Julie and the decision on this election was taken and by who.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Wolf and thank you for this question and I was actually going to go into this prior to introducing Julie Hammer. So, Julie Hammer is our new SSAC liaison. The way that it works is the ALAC would send the list of candidates that it has over to the SSAC. The SSAC then makes the selection. So the list of candidates would include of course the CVs, etc; the SSAC then makes the selection and I understand that it is then voted in by the Board; the appointment. Heidi, perhaps you could explain?

Heidi Ullrich: Yes. Hi, this is Heidi for the record. Officially Julie will become the ALAC liaison to the SSAC, as well as an SSAC member, on Friday when the Board votes.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Heidi. And did the selection involve an interview because from the moment that we sent the CVs, etc, and the details over to the SSAC, I was not aware of what went on afterwards. So was there an interview or?

Heidi Ullrich: Yes. The process is that the names were sent by ALAC to the SSAC, then there is an election committee within the SSAC and they interview the two candidates and once they agreed on a candidate they inform the whole SSAC. And then the SSAC support person informs you – actually the Chair of the SSAC informed you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: That's right. And I received the response a few days ago, just before the ICANN meeting was due to take place. Okay, thank you Wolf. Sala?

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro for the transcripts. Apologies Olivier, just for those of us who may not know Julie, could you just introduce her to us please? Thank you. Which RALO is she from for instance?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Sala. I will. It's seems to me that you're going way faster than I am because everyone is suggesting the next step, the next thing. I was going to introduce Julie; in fact I was going to ask Julie to introduce herself because she has very kindly joined us on the call, on the Adobe and via Adigo. Julie can you hear us?

Julie Hammer: Yes I can; thank you, Olivier.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Welcome, please introduce yourself. And we'd like to hear about you and your background.

Julie Hammer: Yes, thank you. Good morning everyone and thank you for allowing me to participate in this meeting. As you've heard, I'm not yet appointed. I have been attending SSAC meetings during this week online as an invited guest, but until the Board confirms my appointment to SSAC on Friday morning, that is still sort of only semi-official.

My background is I'm an Australian. I'm a Board member of auDA, the Australian ccNSO and I've been a Board member there since 2007. I'm actually an independent Board member. My background is a military background. I served in the Royal Australian Air Force as an Electronics Engineer for 28 years and reached the rank of Air Vice-Marshall, which is a Major General for those of you more familiar with Army ranks.

I was involved in the latter part of my career in the fields of Electronic Warfare and Command and Control Systems, Communication Systems and running IT systems. And my last job prior to retiring was as the acting Chief Information Officer for the Australian Department of Defense. Since then I've, since retiring from the Air Force I've been involved with auDA ever since. I have been to – within auDA I'm the Chairman of our Risk Committee and I'm also on the auDA SSAC.

I've been to a number of ICANN meetings; this is the first one that I've actually attended electronically though. And I'm hoping to get along more frequently to ICANN meetings. I've not been involved in the ALAC community prior to this, but I certainly look forward to working with the ALAC and understanding your issues and working with you in the future to take your issues to the SSAC and to inform you of what's happening in the SSAC. And I very much look forward to, at a future ICANN, to meeting you all in person.

[Interpreter speaking French]

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Jean-Jacques, and this is actually not the first time that such a proposal has made for, of course first time for this issue, but other issues have already been, well there's been a precedent actually. Evan, would you like to expand, just 30 seconds, on the precedent?

Evan Leibovitch: Even less than 30 seconds. There was a GAC and ALAC cooperation on the issue of joint applicant support, a small working team comprised of both ALAC and GAC members very successfully completed a joint statement that went to the Board and in fact resulted in Board action on applicant support.

Evan Leibovitch: Thank you Evan. And Sala has put her hand up.

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro: Sala for the record. In my personal capacity, and I think I've relayed this to Jean-Jacques, so I have no problem with the concept and with the proposal. However having said that, I think – sorry, before the however bit – it's a most excellent proposal and I think given the times we're in it's necessary and it has to be accelerated. However, given that I'm merely a representative of my region, I seek leave Mr. Chair to take this back to my RALO to see what they think and then bring their views forward. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Yes, thank you very much Sala and thank you for reminding us that we haven't been able to consult or RALOs and consult our regions in such a short span of time. I'll ask the floor for a few questions and then I'll provide you with my train of thought on this, if there are any questions or comments from any of the other attendees here. Yes, Eduardo Diaz.

Eduardo Diaz: Eduardo for the record. The question is about procedure. So how do we go from here to creating this group and who wants to volunteer and that type of thing?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Yes, thank you Eduardo. We can do it in two ways. We can either charter an ad hoc working group, or we can leave it – Evan, how was it done? Was it a subset of the new gTLD Working Group that worked on this?

Evan Leibovitch: I believe that's the case. I mean there's two ways of going about it as you say. Either we can hold a vote here that charters a specific group, or we can essentially allow Jean-Jacques to go forward to send the letter and to have Jean-Jacques convene a team that will work with the appropriate people. We can pick the people now or defer that to Jean-Jacques' judgment and let that proceed that way.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Evan. I'm a little concerned for time. We have half an hour left for the rest of our agenda. There are two things, first the fact that because we are right in the middle of an ICANN meeting we are not likely to receive any reply or answer from the GAC for at least a couple of weeks. Why; because next week anyway nobody is going to be around either in the ALAC or in the GAC, and this week there are other priorities that come before any letters that they receive, so any new business basically.

No comment. So what I would suggest Jean-Jacques, I have received a copy of the letter and I think the format of it is fine. Personally I have nothing against sending it. We might need to work out the exact language and I'm entirely happy to send it out and I see no objections around the table to sending this out and to moving forward. That said, if we can give a few days we could actually

ask if anybody wishes to comment to this, give a little bit more time for people to digest what happened in the GAC during our meeting with the GAC, and then take our time to move to send the letter out. We've got Sala and then Sergio.

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro: Sala for...oh.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay Sergio, go ahead.

Sergio Salinas-Porto: Mr. Chair, I am Sergio Salinas for the record. I have to leave the meeting. I am not feeling very well honestly. I will try to feel better for the LACRALO General Assembly. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Sergio and I'm very sorry to hear this. It appears there has been a bug going around; some other members of the community have felt this, so it might be just a matter of a few minutes or hours. I'm saying hopefully it will only be a few minutes or hours and I do hope that you get better. Thank you. So, Sala.

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro: Thank you. In relation to my request, my seeking leave to relay this to my RALO, I think because it's morning in the Asia-Pacific anyway right now, if I send it today I should be able to aggregate the response tomorrow. I can give a deadline for tomorrow and then I could give an ascent. Personally I've told you all that I'm comfortable with it, but again it would be...

Female: Sala, there is an APRALO call in 20 minutes.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Sala. I think I mentioned earlier there's no urgency about sending this. If we send it today or send it in a week and a half the response will not arrive faster. Jean-Jacques?

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: Thank you Olivier. Yes I believe that it's wise to wait a few days. That will give time for those who wish to consult their local correspondence. However Olivier, about your argument about the GAC has other things to do, I think that's not a very strong argument, because after all we work 24 hours a day when necessary and the GAC, paid by government, shouldn't be a very different case. I was talking about this with Carlton this morning and I think that there should be a mechanism by which Chairs receiving letters from other Chairs should be able to at least acknowledge receipt. Perhaps not launch their troops on the attack immediately, but business is business.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Jean-Jacques for the record, and I'm going to have to cut this subject short. For the record, the GAC members have to revert back to their respective countries in anything they do or say, so of course yes, the GAC Chair would acknowledge the letter, but then the process would take several weeks to go all the way back to their country and then all the way back forward. So this is why just taking a few more days for us to be able to digest the meeting is a wise thing.

Next on our agenda we have, as we mentioned a little bit earlier, an update from Tijani on the discussion with ICANN Finance; if we could have this very short please. And after that, we'll have Evan, who hopefully will be able to provide us with details of the Red Cross/Olympic Committee issue. Tijani first.

Tijani Ben Jemaa:

With the Department of Finance was on the process for additional requests for the budget for SOs and ACs. They offered an evaluation form on projects so that the community could participate in adopting the model of this evaluation. There was a discussion that took place, quite long, on the process in general. There were many objections, but in general, the process was approved – not approved but was appreciated because it is better to have a process than not to have any. And two years ago we had no process at all.

A new process with this time something in addition is the evaluation model. So they offered an evaluation form containing how the project is adopted to the strategic plan and there are four domains in this plan and the evaluation also is about the 13 priorities of the budget for this year and also is on the deliverables. What type of deliverables can there be in success indicators? And the durability of the vision and something that is very important is the long term project. So in general the model presented is good. We're going to pursue this discussion. There was not enough time to finish, but in general I believe that things evolve at the Finance Department and we're going to in the future to have something that is more rational. Thank you very much.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Thank you very much Tijani. And because we are taken up by time, I'll immediately go over to Evan Leibovitch who can provide us with a quick update on the Red Cross and IOC issue, straight from the GNSO Council room.

Evan Leibovitch:

Thanks Olivier. From the way things look, I think I can understand why there's this affinity for the Red Cross because they might be required at the meeting. The last word from Alan, as of three minutes ago from the GNSO Council is "Still talking; lots of interventions from both Councilors and the public. I did get some time a few minutes ago and it's still not 100% clear how this comes out. Where things are at right now is the GNSO Council has a motion on how they would like to do modifications to allow for the Red Cross and International

Olympic Committee marks to be reserved and locked away from the application handbook.”

So, what I’m asking ALAC to do at this point is to proceed and to vote on a statement that was submitted. It has been in the Wiki for some time. Matt, do you have that to put up? So, this has been in the hands of ALAC for some time and what I’m going to do is move for acceptance of the motion for this as an ALAC statement on the issue for transmission to the Board. I’m about to put the URL for this into the Adobe Connect Chat.

There have been some attempts in the GNSO Council to try and defer it on technical grounds, but that’s simply resulting with other people within Council calling for an 8 to 14 day, an emergency meeting 14 days from now to just deal with the same issue all over again. So rather than modify our stance on this to accommodate still might or might not happen at the GNSO, I’m moving for this motion to be passed regardless as the ALAC point of view on this. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Any comments from the floor on this please? Beau Brendler?

Beau Brendler: Beau Brendler. Is there a handy text of this – oh there it is. Never mind.

Evan Leibovitch: I’ve also pasted the URL into the Adobe Chat Room.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay. So the motion is proposed by Evan, any seconders? Yaovi. Okay so let’s start a vote on this. Anyone in favor – only ALAC members to put their hand up. Are there any “no’s” to this motion? Anybody voting against? Nobody voting against. Any abstentions? Two abstentions – one from Sala and one from Edmon, and you may comment if you wish.

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro for the transcript. In relation to my abstention, the reason for it is that it's just a matter of, it's really difficult but it's a matter of principle. I think Alan had requested for feedback in a certain time and I think we sort of failed, at least in my view we failed in our duty to respond within the allotted time. Having said that, at the same time, there should always be a level of flexibility to make comments in instances where we feel that it's absolutely atrocious and that sort of thing. But there was no attempt to at least comment or to request, to ask Alan to say "Hey Alan we haven't gotten a full grasp of the matter but we would like to seek an extension at the proper time." And I was persuaded by Alan's comments on the mailing list. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Sala. Edmon would you like to make a comment or not? You don't need to, it's just if you wish; I'm just extending you the chance if you wish to. Okay, thank you Edmon. So the motion is passed. Could we have a list of the people who voted for, please?

Matt Ashtiani: The motion was to pass the ALAC statement on reserved names for the Red Cross and IOC. The motion was presented by Evan Leibovitch, it was seconded by Yaovi Atohoun. "Yes" we have Ganesh Kumar, Yaovi Atohoun, Titi Akinsanmi, Rinalia Abdul Rahim, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, Carlton Samuels, Evan Leibovitch, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Natalia Enciso, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Sandra Hoferichter and Eduardo Diaz. For the "no's" we have no vote. For the abstentions we have Edmon Chung as well as Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Well done Matt. Thank you. Okay so now we move onto the item number three in our agenda, which is the report from the LACRALO Chair Jose Arce, and Secretary Dev Anand Teelucksingh on the LACRALO Costa Rica events. Dev, you have the floor.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

So sorry, I was in the middle of something, sorry. Thank you very much. Dev Anand Teelucksingh, LACRALO Secretariat. Well in November we sent in a request for funding for the LACRALO events and I'm very happy to report that ICANN, through the efforts of ICANN and the ALAC Chair and the Board Finance Committee, especially Sebastien Bachollet, had agreed to funding for a series of events in Costa Rica.

There were three types of events, one was a capacity building session and it's comprised of two sets of events, two sets of session. One is in conjunction with the Fellowship session running from 7 to 8 a.m., and then there's an hour, typically immediately after the Fellowship session, from 8 to 9, or in some cases sometimes in the afternoon. And these are focused on various aspects of learning about ICANN, and the full schedule is up on our LACRALO Costa Rica events preparation workspace.

The second type of event that was planned was a LACRALO Showcase. This was held on Monday and it was a very wonderful event. I think many of you who are in this room were there at the event. It was very well-received. We had two keynote speakers – the Minister of ICT from Costa Rica and Raul Echeberria, LACNIC and on the ISOC Board. And I think everything went spectacularly well thanks to the efforts of ICANN staff as well.

The third type of event is the LACRALO General Assembly sessions. These have yet to take place. There's one hour scheduled for today and five hours scheduled for tomorrow, so the outcome of that will not be known till then. Just to mention also, in terms of the capacity building sessions, they were special working sessions that were in conjunction with Elad Levinson and Rodrigo de la Parra. And this was to regard how we in LACRALO could work better in trying to learn how to resolve our differences.

And while initially during the previous, in the run up to Costa Rica there was a little resistance to it, and in fact what happened was that due to the positive reception of the initial event Monday, we had an additional event scheduled

today and it was also followed by a consensus building session by Elad Levinson, which was also well-received.

So I think that's about it. The Costa Rica events preparation workspace has a lot of these details, so I won't need to go through that. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Thank you very much Dev. And of course, LACRALO continues its work through hours of GA, I'm not sure how many there will be now; it seems to be every time I check there is another hour. There's six now, excellent. And of course, thanks to all of the LACRALO events that have taken place I believe that we are breaking all records this time around on the number of sessions that ALAC, its RALOS, its community have staged here in Costa Rica. Do we have a count on these? Okay so apparently it's – is it 33 or 34 – 33 official meetings scheduled plus of course, since we have so much time on our hands, all of the informal ones that have taken place outside these walls.

So I'm not saying that this is something that we have to repeat on a regular basis, seeing the looks that we have around the table, most of us barely able to walk and as Evan said earlier, being quite happy for the Red Cross to wait for us outside. But it's pretty tough. Dev?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

Thank you. Dev Anand Teelucksingh again. Just to really acknowledge a lot of work that was done in preparation for this in a very short time. I mean, the Costa Rica Events Working Group had like weekly meetings and a lot of work was done, especially for planning the capacity building sessions and the Showcase and so forth. Everything has gone very well so far, so kudos to them.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Yes thank you very much Dev, and absolutely I think a round of applause for LACRALO for having staged this so quickly. Because it's you, it's Jose, it's the whole team that you've assembled very, very quickly to be able to stage those

events, so well done. Okay, are there any questions regarding those events or any monetary contributions that could go over to the LACRALO leadership for all the work they've done free of charge? Perhaps not?

Okay, so as our staff is currently leaving the room, there remains just one thing to do on our agenda, and that's the Moodle demonstration. And I ask Glenn McKnight to be able to provide us with a quick demo. Just as a reminder, we were meant to have a Moodle demonstration during the ICANN Academy webinar that took place; unfortunately a few technical problems prevented us from being able to have a satisfactory demonstration of it. So I'll let Glenn take us through this please. Glenn McKnight.

Glenn McKnight:

Okay, waiting for the screen I'd like to say that myself and Siva, who's down – everyone knows Siva down there. Him and I have been actually working on creating the Moodle site, so if we can show the slideshow, Matt? This will be a fairly quick and painless presentation. I hope.

Male:

Just like the one in NARALO.

Glenn McKnight:

Don't mention the NARALO one. I think it's only consistent right?

Male:

I think we implemented a "Glenn" filter.

Glenn McKnight:

It must be the "Glenn" filter. It looks like it's coming. Okay, great. Okay, so go to the next slide. Again, that's a picture of – no you've gone too far. The second picture is a dog on a bone and I would say Siva and I have been like a dog on a bone. We've been diligently trying to pursue this concept. And the

third slide there actually talks about what Moodle is, and Moodle is a technology that's used by many universities; it's a very widespread technology.

It's for collaborative learning. It's an open source platform. Again as I mentioned, it's a Cloud Software. Go on and just whip through it quickly. These are some of the features that you can have on a Moodle and you can have any type of course where that's involved. Go on please. These are obvious benefits that could be seen with the Moodle that could be used in the Academy. And it's an online Cloud computing system. You could store primary materials as well as secondary materials, so as facilitators they can take the video and other resources, chop it up, use it in various different formats, and the idea is to get first person interviews with people to integrate with the existing material.

And there will be a lot of different materials – templates – resources for the facilitators. Go on Matt, please. Okay, there is an example of speechless Carlton, which is pretty rare. So that's an example of a video clip that could be used and viewed. Next one. Again there is four levels, I only have three levels here. I was corrected by Sandra in the morning meeting. Administrator is the top level which sets your administrative levels. The second is your facilitator. Third is your learners. Again, different levels of access and permissions and the last level is public access to read materials. Right Sandra? Yes.

Here's a screen capture. This is the website for you to go to – moodle.movableoffice.net. You can go on to it. If you'd like to see it and play with it, just give myself and Siva an email and we'd be happy to get you an ID and password so you can play with the tool. We have produced a couple of short videos and slideshows that are on the site itself for you to walk through and learn about Moodle.

Okay, so next slide. Again, as I stated here, just a standard opening page with your ID and password. Go on Matt. Okay, I didn't know what that last slide was. Okay, that's an example of Moodle 101, that's a course that we've put up there already. So you can see it's very easy as facilitators to add content, edit

content, you can quiz your students, you can share resources. Next slide Matt please.

So again, what is the bottom line? You're probably wondering what this thing costs. And my last slide Matt and it's free. So that's basically it. Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Glenn. Any comments? Jean-Jacques?

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: Yes. As a parent I must say I use this quite currently and it's very, very useful, a very efficient tool; very user-friendly as well. And the fact that there are several access levels makes it also meaningful, at least in the case of schools where you have parents, pupils, etc. So this can be used in an intelligent way for an Academy. Very good, thanks.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Oh there are way too many people for the next minutes. You might have 10 seconds each. Sala please.

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Sala for the record. Congratulations Glenn and Siva for excellent work. I'd just like to say that Moodle is something that's frequently used in the Pacific and we're very familiar with the tool and it's something that's used widely because of the geographical diaspora and also how we're islands separated by oceans and that sort of thing. So it's really awesome. And also, just something related to this is the ASOs have also expressed their interest to partner with us in relation to developing this and also curriculum on it; just for the record.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you very much Sala. Siva, 10 seconds and then I'm sorry, I forgot your name – Lance, yes. So Siva.

Sivasubramanian Muthusamy: Sivasubramanian and the idea is to expand the ICANN Academy with an online platform and even if we don't expand the Academy immediately and stick to our decision to go step by step, Moodle can still be created and be a tool to archive the lessons that course participants can revisit as often as they feel like to review the lessons.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay, thank you. Lance.

Lance Hines: Thank you Chair. Lance Hines from DEVNET just to say briefly, as a disciple of this product, I can't say enough about it being used. It's extremely flexible and it grows with you. It has a large third party community. If there is anything that is not there that you need, you could add it in fairly easily. It's a wonderful product.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Oh so much voting of confidence in this product, great. Glenn?

Glenn McKnight: Do we have allotted some more time for compliments?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: No I'm afraid that's as good as it gets. You've had the 10 minutes, so thanks very much for this. We have an added bit of item that we have to run now. Sala it is your region that we're cutting on at the moment, so the APRALO meeting is supposed to take place here afterwards. The more you speak the less you'll be able to speak in your region. Yes, go ahead Sala.

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro for the record. This is in relation to the vote that just happened earlier, I'd like to correct myself and also to withdraw the statement that I had made. I had no idea that Alan had inserted his comments into that document. My apologies to the community, particularly to...

Matt Ashtiani: Hi, I'm sorry Sala, this is Matt Ashtiani from staff. In order to update the record correctly, can you please indicate the vote you're speaking about.

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: This is in relation to the Red Cross vote.

Matt Ashtiani: You voted to abstain. How would you like to cast your vote?

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: I'd like to invoke the rules and guidelines that we are bound by, that the ALAC is bound by and I would like the Chair to exercise his discretion and the motion that I'm putting forth is to withdraw my comments. They were inaccurately made. They were made on the basis that I did not know that Alan had inserted his comments. And even though the vote is yes, as a matter of principle I'm obliged to correct myself. And I also profusely apologize to ALAC. Thank you.

Matt Ashtiani: Just to be clear so I can update the vote record accurately, you initially had voted to abstain, how would you like to cast your vote?

Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro: Correct. I would like to cast it as a yes.

Matt Ashtiani:

Thank you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Thank you very much Sala, and this is accepted. I'm sorry. I wasn't quite sure what you wanted to speak for or if it was about Moodle, I thought okay more praise – do it online. Glenn has had enough for today.

Glenn McKnight:

There's always more room for praise, let me assure you.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay, an additional agenda item that has also just come up and it seems to be the place where we keep having new things coming up. There is regional advice that says that has arrived to us from the LACRALO region for an ALS application and it's actually good, because it does put us into the discussions of ALS applications. It's for, is it ISOC Trinidad & Tobago, is this correct?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

Dev Anand Teelucksingh LACRALO Secretariat. That is correct Olivier.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

So Internet Society Trinidad & Tobago and the advice from the region was?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

The regional advice is to accredit this ALS.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay, so we have a choice here. Thank you Dev. We have a choice. We can either do this online which we cannot do right now or next week because most people will not be voting since they will be travelling and it will be pretty hard

to get hold of them, or we can hold an immediate vote right here with a show of hands. We still have quorum. Yes Jean-Jacques, question?

Jean-Jacques Subrenat:

I'd like to put the question to Dev Anand. In the advice given by the RALO is the feature of community acceptance I think it's called, in this particular case is it perfectly clear; because that is always an element which is important in my mind.

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

Dev Anand Teelucksingh here. Can you clarify that? When you say community acceptance I would say yes because the Chair and the vice-Chair of ISOC Trinidad & Tobago are here in this room as well and they've been very active in ICANN and are well known to the ICANN community.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Okay so any other comments before we start the vote? Okay so the ALAC chooses to accept the regional advice and accredit the applicant – anybody in favor; put your hand up now. That's correct, we're getting really tired. Who proposes the motion, Sala propose – it's not a motion, it's an ALS application. So the motion is presented by Sala and seconded by Carlton. And now we can vote. So voting yes? Okay. Anybody against? Nobody against; any abstentions? No abstentions.

Okay this brings us also to the matter of two other votes that took place, in fact three other votes that took place recently online. One of them was to accept an application for a LACRALO ALS. There were two votes which also took place as well to reject applications from different ALSes. Matt would you be able to tell us which applications were those please?

Matt Ashtiani:

Hi, this is Matt for the record. Yes I will momentarily. The first one was ALS applicant 158, the Association of Notary Public Professionals of Uruguay. The second one would be number 159 which was the National Association for Digital Inclusion.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond:

Thank you very much Matt. Having noticed the discussions that have taken place on a Skype chat, as well as discussions that have taken place on the LACRALO mailing list before arriving into this meeting, I did notice that there was somehow some confusion in some segments of the community and did find that because the advice was a “no” and not a “yes” and there was very little opportunity for the RALO to explain it’s “no” to the community, I do believe that the vote that followed – and I by the way do not know the answers of the vote or the results of the vote – I believe that the vote that followed was made on grounds where people were not quite sure what they were voted on.

So I would propose that these two – in fact I don’t need to propose. I can actually just say that these two votes would be cancelled right now without the results being given. That the RALO should provide its advice again and if it elects to do so, and I would seriously suggest that it does so, to provide an explanation as to why there is a “no.” Because rejecting an ALS application is a serious thing. And it’s just for process to make sure the people voting, the ALAC members are 100% sure of what they’re voting on and to consider the advice that was given.

Dev, would you like to comment on this?

Dev Anand Teelucksingh:

Thank you Olivier. We will take it in advisement and review our advice for those two ALS applications.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you. And Evan, you had put your hand up. I'm not sure if the advice will remain the same. We will see when the advice is given by LACRALO on these two applications. It's not going to happen now. I'm going to give it time. If it is a "no" in any case, there is no time limit. It's not a case of they need to be accredited by next week. So I will just leave it time for matters to settle and certainly for things to settle after this meeting. Jean-Jacques?

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: I think that for the record it would be useful if you, as Chair, put in just a line explaining why there has been a cancellation of a vote. Because in terms of accountability, if there is a challenge to this there has to be at least a statement of the Chair on why you felt we had to proceed with a new vote.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you Jean-Jacques. On the matter of the Notary's Association, there has been some concern that a notary serves a slightly different function in the Latin American world than in the Anglo-Saxon world. So there is a confusion whether the notaries are actually representing users or not, or whether they are users. I would really feel a lot clearer if there was a clarification as to what this entices. So that was one.

On the other application there was a question as whether this organization was a trade organization or not. The discussions kept on going in LACRALO and some asserted that the vote was rushed a little bit, or the advice was provided too fast. So I was wishing that there would be more discussion on the list about the application, and to make sure that LACRALO is 100% sure about the applicant. Sala?

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro: Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro for the record. I have a colleague who is a solicitor in Uruguay and I did my due diligence, and this is her response in relation to my putting the question forward to her. Basically what I asked her

was to give me a brief description on what the association is about. And so it says – sorry if I’m mispronouncing it.

“[Asociacion de Escribanos de Uruguay] is a professional association in which Uruguayan notary publics can be members, however it is not mandatory to be registered before it in order to practice as a notary public. It’s just like for example – I’m quoting directly – “the Uruguayan Bar Association in which Uruguayan lawyers are members and the web page...,” and so she gives the website.

Carlton Samuels: ...registration body. Sala, read that too.

Salanieta Tamanikawaiwaimaro: My apologies. She’s basically saying it’s like a bar association, kind of like a law society.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay thank you. Well we’ll wait for the additional advice, or for the advice on whether to accredit or not and we’ll wait for the explanation. And I think we should really move on and close this meeting. We’re not going to debate this here until everyone has actually read what the advice is. So, thanks to all of you for having been here for the whole week; having been in these very, very meetings. We are running out of time and eating into LARALO time. But just on behalf of the ALAC I would like to thank our interpreters for the fantastic work they’ve done.

Of course they cannot go home now because there’s still the LACALO meeting right after us. But thanks also to the staff who dealt with the electronic equipment and all of the sound system. And thanks to all of the people who have followed us remotely as well. I understand that it was quite a good attendance this time and I also understand that the quality of sound was rather

good from here, so that was really great. So, thank you and see you again soon.
This meeting is now closed.

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