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TOM DALE:

Good morning, everyone. Could I please ask people to take their seats, because we have to start this session promptly at 8:30. Please take your seats. We'll be starting the elections very shortly. Thank you.

Good morning, everybody. If I could have your attention and also if the people at the table could conclude their discussions, thank you. This session on the elections is being conducted by ACIG and the independent secretariat. I'm sure the chair will be here shortly, but the election is being conducted as it was previously. And, as provided for in the GAC operating principles, the election is being conducted under the supervision of ACIG, your secretariat.

I'll ask Tracey to inform you of the procedures that we're going to follow between now and 9:00. Thank you, Tracey.

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TRACEY HIND:

Thank you, Tom. Good morning, everybody. I'm just going to do a brief introduction about how the process will work and then open it up to the floor.

I mentioned Michelle has already sent around a couple of emails on the -- about the election process. And number of countries have already voted, but a number of countries have not. For those who are going to vote in person today, what you should do as soon as I finish speaking and you've got between now and 9:00 to do it -- is come up to me. You'll need to tell me which country member country or member state or economy you represent. I will -- and your name. I'll go through and double-check that nobody from your country has already voted. And, if that's not the case, if you -- if your vote has not yet been cast, I will issue you with a ballot paper. There are six names on the ballot paper. You can indicate 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 of your preferred candidates. Please don't tick all six, because that will make it really hard. That will be a disqualified vote. But up to five. And, once you've done that -- you don't need to number them 1-5. You just need to mark them with a cross. Once you've done that, you should put it in the red box just sitting in front of my colleague Tom here. And we'll continue this process, and we'll close it at 9:00 a.m. after which time myself and Gema Campillos, one of the current vice chairs who is acting in a scrutiny role, will take the votes out during one of the sessions.

And we'll do the counting. We should be in a position to announce a winner to you today. Any questions? Happy to open. Yes, Iran.

IRAN:

Thank you very much. Good morning. Guten tag. Velkommen. I think, frankly speaking, we don't have any clear-cut procedure for voting the vice chairman. So let us take it quite smooth, quite easy, not to get to any difficulties. The way that you suggested I have no difficulty with that. But, once that procedure is completed, I have a proposal. I want to make a proposal at that time. We go to that. Because, in the absence of any clear procedures, we have no way to do that. And I don't want to spend the time to argue and discuss because it's totally inefficient. So we agree whatever you put or secretariat, we go through that one. Once the voting is finished and five are elected, I have a proposal to make. Thank you.

TOM DALE:

Thank you. Any further questions? Okay. Feel free to come up and see Tracey.

TRACEY HIND: Hello. We have about eight minutes yet. So any GAC member who has not yet voted who is eligible to vote still wants a ballot paper, feel free to come up now.

Two minutes. If there are any remaining folk in the room who want to cast a vote.

Okay. According to my computer, it's 9:00 a.m. I'm hereby going to close the voting and hand back to the chair.

The results will be announced after lunch. There's a time slot after lunch.

CHAIR SCHNEIDER: Thank you, Tracey. Just one quick remark. There is, for the election, with regard to who is eligible to vote were communicated several times before. I think we all agreed that the procedures as they are in the operating principles for these voting procedures would merit improvement. So we had -- for the time being we had to apply what was there in the operating principles as we had no agreement by the GAC after Los Angeles two years ago to amend that expeditedly, apart from the number of vice chairs that was changed. All the rest was decided that it would remain the same and that would be amended later. Now two years later. And we hope that we will not have to wait for another two years until these procedures

would be updated to what the GAC thinks it is appropriate. So just allow me this remark. In my view, this is a priority item for the operating principles working group to pick up. And I count on you to make sure that this is happening.

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