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THOMAS SCHNEIDER: Maybe one thing to clarify, the next session is supposed to be from 12:00 to 12:30, having a quick look at the communiqué, but my notes say the lunch from the stakeholder group is from 12:15 to 13:15. If that lunch is 12:15 that gives us five or so more minutes, which may actually suffice, given where we are, but just aware there is a slight inconsistency in this nice timetable. So the lunch is at 12:15. I think we filled the 30 seconds, plus some more, so we can actually continue with agenda item 24.

And let me hand over the floor to Tom, who has been as you all know, has been managing the preparatory steps for the communiqué that we will work on tomorrow afternoon. So, Tom, what did you receive for this outstanding? What is missing? What do you have to tell us? Thank you.

TOM DALE: Thank you, Thomas. Very quickly, moving firstly to the section in the communiqué dealing with GAC consensus and advice, there are still three items flagged in the latest draft. I circulated a new draft version of the document to you earlier this morning. It is

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version 2.0. So I would encourage you to please look at that and treat it with the respect I know you always treat my e-mails with.

Those three items of advice at the moment, and nobody has suggested otherwise, are firstly, the applications for .amazon and related strings. The communiqué includes the text that was circulated by Brazil and Peru some weeks ago, however, after the discussions this week, I believe that a number of members were going to look at a revised take dealing with the Amazon issue, particularly in light of the request from the Board with additional information. So at this stage, I have no further information on how that, how [any] new takes, whether it's advise to the Board or something else is progressing but it's still [we're heading].

The second item of advice which was flagged concerns the potential conflict between GAC advice and the PDP on IGO Access to Curative Rights Protection. And as the representative from the [indiscernible] had noted, that the issue is being warranted, but at this stage, they haven't had the chance to submit draft takes for the GAC to consider.

And the third item deals with the relationship between GDPR and WHOIS, which you've just been discussing, and at this stage, no draft takes is available for the communiqué as far as I'm aware.

The rest of it, the document, I'll leave you to have a look at in due course. Thank you.

THOMAS SCHNEIDER: Thank you. Any questions or comments? Yes, Iran.

IRAN: Thank you, Chair. Just to understand correctly, the statement or declaration of Peru with respect to Amazon. You said that the annex to the GAC advice, if we have advice on that or if the annex to cross reference to the text relating to issue of .amazon that we will discuss. So I don't know still whether we would have GAC advice on the .amazon, that we associate that statement to that or we associate that or cross reference that in the discussion part related.

Could Tom clarify that? Or have we decided to have advice on .amazon at this meeting? Again, asking questions.

THOMAS SCHNEIDER: Thank you, Iran. This is something the GAC will need to decide tomorrow when we work on the communiqué. My feeling from Sunday's... yeah, it was Sunday's discussion was that maybe whatever we will say will not be advice, but a first reaction to the situation that we are in currently. But let's wait and see what will be delivered to us as a draft proposal text by those who are working on it and then we'll discuss it and the GAC will decide what that will be in the end.

So let's not speculate too far at this stage. We'll get some text and then have a look at it and discuss it and then try and agree where and how and what we will say tomorrow afternoon.

Okay, U.K.?

U.K.: Yes, thank you. Can we just check who is actually working on this text? I'm not clear.

THOMAS SCHNEIDER: Well, Sunday, I invited those who are concerned, mainly concerned, most concerned with this issue to create an informal group and work on this text. I assumed that that was happening or about to start or not. Okay. So, yeah. I mean, we can also ask Tom, who has nothing better to do, of course, to write the text, but then don't blame him if it's not what you want it to be. Okay, Tom will convene and invite others to join him in drafting a text. Let's put it that way. But in the end, we need your input. Otherwise, we'll just have a very long Wednesday. Whatever is informally thought through and consulted before will help us have a nice Wednesday evening. We are in your hands. Okay? Thank you, all.

Okay, if there are no more further comments now, then we have already missed one minute of the lunch with the CSG. Where is it?

Do we know where it is? Has anybody found out? Can anybody help us? Where do we need to go?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yeah, it is at [Madelise] Hall.

THOMAS SCHNEIDER: [Madelise] Hall. Thank you. Where is that? Do you know where [inaudible]?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I think there is a change in the room. And Julia sent – it's Suite 13, Capital Suite 13.

THOMAS SCHNEIDER: Capital Suite 13 for those who replied and registered for this. And for the others, we will meet again for Session 25 with the ccNSO at 1:30. So enjoy your lunch. And do read the draft joint statement if you haven't already had the time because this is one of the key issues that we'll discuss with ALAC. Thank you.

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