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Jonathan Robinson: Thank you. John, over to you.

John Berard: Thank you Jonathan. John Berard. I am here with my co-chair of the drafting team, Becky Burr from the ccNSO Council.

Becky Burr: Good morning, everybody.

John Berard: And we have, through the good offices of Mary Wong a couple of slides to take you through the work of the drafting team. The serpentine history of this effort begins with an effort by the GNSO Council to wrangle some rules for cross community working groups which seem to have become in vogue a couple years ago and are now in full rage really I suppose is the way to put it.

Becky, as the point person for that ccNSO, which actually contributed comments to the original guidelines that we created, adding some sanity to the process and leading to a collaboration on the drafting team so Becky, do you want to talk a little bit about some of the stuff we've been up to or your personal view?

Becky Burr: Well actually why don't you just walk through…

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Sure, could certainly do that. I was taught a long time ago that you prepare slides so you don't have to read them so you guys can read the slides. I just want to make a couple of key points.

The first one is that is a late arriving point driven home by Olivier at yesterday's NCUC session. Olivier was co-chair of the Cross Community Working Group on Internet governance that delivered a statement for the NETmundial meeting.

And his point yesterday was that a methodology is it mandatory for the success of cross community working groups. We are seeking to do by the adoption of this charter is to enable a working group to create that methodology.

It will be a bit more rigorous than some other working groups in that we are specifically looking for members and observers from as many SOs and ACs are willing to participate. But we will begin the effort with the ccNSO and the GNSO as the lead point – as the lead ponies for it.

We will be looking for two members from each of the participating SOs and ACs. We will be seeking to cap membership at five for each of the participating SOs and ACs. We will also have observers which will be designated by the rules and regulations of each of the SOs and ACs from which they come. And we will also seek to cap observers at five because we don't want this to become an unwieldy exercise.

Observers ultimately will have no vote. It will be the members who vote on things. And we've heard from the SCI this morning a discussion about defining levels of consensus. Thanks to the sanity of the ccNSO we will have two levels of consensus, yes or no.

And so I think that's sort of a refreshing point of departure. Becky.

Becky Burr: I just want to talk a little bit about this. We are a drafting group on rules for cross constituency working groups. So the ability to have a yes or no, on or off switch here it's not like we are developing policy, we're developing recommended roles.

So when I first saw a variety of levels of consensus in the GNSO policymaking I have to confess I threw in to the mix the ccNSO – or ccNSO definition of consensus which is, if nobody is willing to die in a ditch over something you have consensus. And that's what we are going to strive for in this group.

And just on the, you know, recommendation that we complete work as soon as possible I think we are – the ccNSO has found that these working groups are really extremely helpful. And I think that's one area in which cross constituency work is going to be needed is into IANA functions area. It's going to come up really fast so this is important work that we're undertaking.

John Berard: So the motion to accept the charter is before both the ccNSO Council and the GNSO Council on Wednesday. And because Becky and I are such half full people we are hopeful that they will be accepted. And we have, thanks to Mary, scheduled a…

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: …and Bart, thank you, Bart – meeting of the working group for Thursday morning at eight o'clock which ostensibly is an attempt to recruit. Becky and I are going to be doing everything that we can to recruit to this working group not just wait to see who might show up.

Now I would like to commend a couple of people around the table for the work on this. Alan of course, Mikey, Chuck Gomes, and if I've missed anybody else who participated I apologize because the group that pulled this charter together I think did it all very quickly and in very good spirit and I think everybody is on board for the next step. Anything?

Becky Burr: I think it's – yeah, it's interesting. And we will be recruiting actively so anybody who's interested should let us know.

John Berard: And we'll take some questions.

Jonathan Robinson: Thanks, John. Thanks, Becky. Any comments or questions? Mikey?

Mikey O'Connor: This is Mikey. Thanks to John and Becky for doing a great job of co chairing this. A lot of the reason there was good spirit is because we have good leadership.

I just want to amplify the points that you started off with, John, and the point that you made, Becky, which is the NTIA stuff is rushing at us. And I'm not sure that we'll be able to wait on that one for the final version of what this working group produces.

On the other hand, we do have some great examples and the working group is planning to take advantage of those examples of other cross community working groups that have been successful. And we may have to sort of do a hybrid because I am 100% behind Olivier and others in saying we need a good charter, a good methodology, the whole 9 yards for the work for the NTIA.

And so I just wanted to amplify that and thank you both for what you did. Great job.

Jonathan Robinson: Thanks. Any other comments, questions or input? Mary.

Mary Wong: Just to add to what John and Becky said, there was a lot of goodwill in the team and I think that part of it was obviously great leadership but part of it was also that we had the benefit of some very experienced participants in a number of working groups both GNSO, ccNSO and cross community working groups.

We also have members on the drafting team that were not from the GNSO like Becky herself and participants from the ALAC like Cheryl and Alan and others. So that's one thing I wanted to add.

But I think the other thing is since this is a GNSO working session and of the Council is here to go back to what John mentioned earlier where he briefly described some of the items in the charter that I would encourage everyone,

not just the Council, to look at the draft charter that's up for voting because it does not look like the usual GNSO working group charter.

John Berard: I didn't see Cheryl there, I apologize. She was a key member of the team.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Oh well. Anyway thanks very much.

Jonathan Robinson: All right. Thanks, again to both of you. Let's call this session to an end and that's very neatly timed, 10:45 for the coffee break. If I could ask you to be seated perhaps at 5 minutes before the hour so we're ready to go on the hour so it's 10:45 now, we're due to recommenced at 11:00. And if I could ask you to be seated shortly before that? Thanks everyone.

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