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ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Hello, everyone. I think we should start. Can we please start the recording? It's already started? Perfect. So, welcome everyone. Remember me? Unfortunately, Barbara has some issues with her airline, and her ticket cancelled and rescheduled, so she will need to leave early. I believe she will come to say hello and then bye, because she's leaving early, and she asked me if I could chair this session for her. So, of course I said yes. That's why she's not here. We were at the kickoff meeting with the SO/AC strategy for Cancun, and that is overrunning, so that's why I'm here. Katrina is also there. She will come afterwards.

For our topic on the review of ICANN 66, any feedback? Any observations? What worked? What didn't work? Everything went fine. I actually thought it went really well. We had a lot more interaction during our sessions. People were in the room all the time. We even started with a very good crowd on Wednesday, which I was worried about, because super great Canada Night. To me, that was a plus. People really listened when we told them, "Please be mindful, and be early in the morning." So, that went really well. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL: Maybe also what I really, really liked, and you could see it in the room, is to start with a topic on Tuesday morning. People woke up on Tuesday morning with the session on internet of things—so, really challenging,

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and not doing boring updates, etc. I set the tone for the whole meeting, people ... It got people interested. So, maybe that's something for the future, is that you start opening with a real teasing, challenging, inviting session right after the opening and before the first coffee break.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, completely agree with you, Bart. Any other comments? Sorry. Yes, Young Eum.

YOUNG EUM LEE: I think this continuation of the pre-planning sessions really works well. We had the preparation session for the chairs and the presenters, and that really helps people be aware of the fact that they need to try to do something to keep people engaged. I think it's something that you brought to the meeting, and it's getting better.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, thank you, Young Eum. I also agree. Having those webinars were really helpful. Also, having the face-to-face with the chairs, right at the beginning of the week. It reflects on the responsibility they have, and I think it translates really well in the meeting. Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: Thank you very much. I agree, the level of engagement is indeed, increasing. Part of it is, indeed, maybe due to the increased efforts, and the communication with the chairs and the presenters. But I would like to make a small remark that the webinars ... For instance, the one for

presenters, we only had two people participating. I have to admit that I was a bit disappointed by this low turnout. I was wondering if it is useful to keep this kind of prep sessions, webinars ahead of the meeting, or is this something that we should do differently. Thank you.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Good question. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL:

I think maybe as a feedback to the presenters is that you do it for the next time as well. It was only a test. It was the first time we did it. Question is if it repeats to have such a low turnout, you know it doesn't add any value. It's not really ... One webinar, although very limited attended, it's not a very good test for it. That's a bit of a side remark. But if the second time, it turns out such low, it's not encouraging. Put it that way.

At the same time, what you could see—and that was a surprise as well. The onboarding session for potential new visitors ... We did two of them. They were very, very well attended, I would say. I ran in to somebody. This was his second or first ICANN meeting, and he was not aware of it, and it would have helped him if he could have. So, that's something definitely to pursue. It really helps people to prepare for the agenda, but also for the broader meeting, and understand what is happening.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Something that I think could help for next time ... Like you said, they were not aware, maybe. We should include it in our highlights presentation, saying, “We are doing these webinars, so for next time you could attend them.” Yes, Sean?

SEAN COPELAND: Is the order of the onboarding then after the webinar? What’s the order that they happen in?

BART BOSWINKEL: Normally, the onboarding is not for newcomers, but for people who haven’t attended these meetings. Effectively, it’s for everybody who wants to join such a webinar. But it’s more that people who are here for the first, or the second, or third time, who aren’t exposed to all these meetings—especially the ccNSO meetings—that they have a bit of understanding what is happening. It’s done prior, even, to the webinar week, which becomes standard, in order to get ... It is to prepare them for the webinar week, and then for the ccNSO meetings week.

For example, the DNS abuse stuff. If you’re here for the first time and you don’t know what it happening, you see that everybody’s running off to a meeting in the main hall, but you want people to be prepared. Say, “There is a webinar on DNS abuse. If you attend that, and you go to DNS abuse session, then you see the bigger picture.” It’s more preparation for newcomers for the specific upcoming meeting, not a general onboarding thing.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, thank you. In the topic, any feedback specifically from session chairs? Any other comment, if any? Yes, Young Eum?

YOUNG EUM LEE: As for the low attendance at the webinar for the presenters, I think that it may have to do with the fact that they were not aware of it, because presenters, they don't usually pay that much attention to all the emails coming from ICANN. But chairs usually do, because they are more involved. So, next time, when you are soliciting presenters, or when presenters are volunteering, you could let them know that there is going to be a webinar to help them be prepared for the presentations. And then, if still there is low attendance, then maybe we ...

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Excellent observation, Young Eum. When we confirm their session, we will say, "You are confirmed, and please be aware that this will happen." Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: That was the case.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Oh, really?

JOKE BRAEKEN: Yeah. But I agree with Young Eum, that when we send out a call for presenters, that we could announce this. That was not the case this time.

PATRICIO POBLETE: In the policy session that I shared, I think it was a good innovation to have the audience get involved with the cards. Stephen did it several times, and also Bart. I think that made it more interesting, because that session usually doesn't get ... It isn't easy to get people's interest, and this time I think it did.

We shouldn't forget that we have colored cards for a reason, which is that you can take a vote in just one raising of the cards. You don't need to ask who's in favor, who's against, because in that case, people could just raise their hands. The colors are useful, and we can go quicker if we will do it all at once, and not forget to do that.

I believe that the final question—the part raised—was a complex one, and wasn't easy, in the little, limited time available, to get people to really understand, and perhaps come to the mic and give different opinions. We probably didn't foresee that it needed more time, and it could have been scheduled with a longer duration.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Completely agree with you, Patricio. I want to add, also, that we should advise on using all the cards at once, and also to display the questions in the presentation, because sometimes people are digesting what's going on. When they realize, and they look at the screen, the question

is not there, so they don't know what they're agreeing or not. So, they're like, "So, what's happening?"

PATRICIO POBLETE: That's true, because Stephen tried to do it, but the way he put the question was, "Did you agree with this or not?" but it wasn't on the screen at the time, what we were agreeing with.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Exactly. I saw people like, "What are we doing? I'm picking my cards, but I'm not sure what ..." So, yes, that should be added.

BART BOSWINKEL: The questions were included in the slide deck, by Ian didn't know.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Whoops. Well, next time. So, yes. We should be minded of that, and also on time. I remember we were overrunning a little bit. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL: One of the reasons for doing it this way ... If you would look at it, it's also included in the presentation or presenters' guide. One of the easiest tricks to engage people is to ask questions, but it implies that you need to structure your presentation in a certain way. We all intend to make, I will call it, a flat presentation—just sending out. If you do questions in between for raising, you need to structure your presentation in a certain way.

That’s why the introduction for presenters is so important, because the prep material that the secretariat prepared, you see this. You note this. You are alerted to this. This is probably the easiest way to increase engagement during sessions, but it takes time for presenters to do it that way.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: I’m not sure what to reason is for this, but we stress the importance that if you have a video—if you want us to do anything else than displaying the PDF in the room—that the presenter should let the secretariat know in advance. Still, we notice that this is not the case. People come up to us, and like, “Did you see that there’s a link included in my slide deck? Please open this website.” It sounds very simple, but it isn’t. Also, videos, and, “Yeah, but you can cut to video.” Unfortunately, I don’t know how to explain it, but it’s important that we know exactly how to the flow is going for a session to be smooth.

KATRINA SATAKI: I think this is something that session chairs should really pay attention to. They are the ones who should reach out to their presenters and stress it over and over again. I don’t see any other way, because yes, it has been said many times.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL:

Maybe in relation, to follow up, it implies for the MPC going forward that they need to identify the session chairs very early on, and make them part of the preparation of sessions—building the agenda, and making presenters aware of the webinar, etc. It has proven very valuable that the MPC appoints session chairs, but sometimes it happens very, very late in the process—almost a week ahead of the meeting.

What you're saying is ... You can see this, and I think everybody can see this. The better a session chair is prepared, the smoother the session goes, and especially if there is interaction beforehand, between the session chair and the presenters, that will improve the session and increase the value for everybody. The sooner you identify session chairs, they can assist in prepping that session as well, and reaching out to the presenters. For example, use the method with respect to asking questions in the sessions, etc.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, completely agree. What's something we need to work on—having the chairs first, and as soon as we know the participants, having them in a group email. So, please talk to each other. Okay, any other comments?

If not, I'm moving to the preparation for ... We are already talking about preparing for Cancun. We already said that we should include something regarding the work that we do as the MPC to make these a

success. We do that in the highlights presentation, so we should include everything, because maybe we're not saying all that we do, like the preparation for presenters, for chairs, the webinar for onboarding—just to people, so they know, or they are kept—at least in the presentation, and they can refer to it later. I think that's good. And make ourselves even more available if possible.

It also could be a good idea to have a presentation already ready, just in case we have time. For example, in this meeting, we were ahead of schedule for 10 minutes. So, if those 10 minutes could be used to say, "Look, we do these webinars. This is how they are shaped. This is what we say." Maybe it will help promote what we do, and to have them know the efforts we are doing.

Also, we have two people that have already offered to chair a session. One of them is Souleymane. Hello! The other one is Pablo, from .pr—just to keep that in mind for when we are preparing for Cancun.

Let me see. We have ccTLD news. We have several deferred presentations, since we had to choose for this one. So, we need to verify with them if they will be able to go to Cancun. We have those slots already prefilled.

Let me check my notes. Also, there are some topics being discussed in the mailing list, that I don't know if will end up in sessions or not, for meeting. One of them is, for example, discussion regarding the need to update the rules of the ccNSO. I don't want to catch Katrina off guard, but just to say that if there's a need for a space to discuss if we need to

update the ccNSO rules or something, maybe we can include it. Or if it's too early ... I don't know how the GRC's with that.

KATRINA SATAKI:

This is one of the things that GRC's tasked with by the Council. We had the first discussion in ... I remember the whole, but have no clue where it was. We had some really preliminary discussion, but now we should go into more in-depth discussion. This is one thing.

Another thing that has already been identified ... Just before coming here, I discussed it with Barbara before she had to run away. That's the suggestion from [Paulus]. Our idea was that we could have a really interesting discussion, or we could have very convincing representative of not-for-profit. We could have some very convincing from a ccTLD that is being run by a governmental organization. Then, we could have someone from academia—so ccTLDs with different legal structures.

And then, we need really great moderators. First part could have been that they each defend their models. And then, maybe the other part could be that the others start balking to some things that are—yeah, strengths and weaknesses of different models. I think it could be a really interesting and interactive discussion.

Yes, absolutely. We won't have any tangible results, unless there are some bodies to be removed—they start fighting and everything. Otherwise, it's just really a discussion. It think it can be very interesting. Going back to this rules, Bart had an idea.

BART BOSWINKEL:

No, not an idea. It's more I just had a conversation with Samantha Eisner about the upcoming changes, in order to include IDN ccTLDs. She made a very interesting observation. She asked me the question, whether you want to include something like the discussion we had on the—that's their name—on the voting levels and thresholds in the bylaws, or in the rules.

If you put them in the rules, like what we discussed, other SOs and ACs will have a say on them as well, under the new ways the bylaws are changed, because it has to go through public comment and etc. Membership definition is obvious, but if you talk about internal voting levels and quora, the question is whether you want to include them in the bylaws or in the separate document, like the rules of the ccNSO, which is internal but has their own threshold. That's something ...

KATRINA SATAKI:

I think it's very risky. As a lawyer, we have members. In the bylaws we have ... It's like member have a vote. In our internal documents, we can't have a different approach to voting than is in the bylaws. I'm just thinking on the top of ...

BART BOSWINKEL:

At the end of the day, if there is a conflict, the bylaws are always paramount. If you say one member, you're right about that. But at least it's something to think about, in work leading up to the sessions in Cancun, and with questions.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Okay, there's something to think about there. I just wanted to chime in with the other topic. I think it will be really nice—I know it will be work, and I hope it can be done—to see how our members are distributed in academia, government, just to have the statistics. If that will be possible, I think it will be awesome. And I see Souleymane had his hand up.

SOULEYMANE OUMTANAGA: I just want to support what Katrina said about the ccTLD in Africa. For example, in the past, most of the ccTLD have been managed by universities, but now the ccTLDs are managed by regulator, where government take ... Or if you take Tanzanique, Ivory Coast, and so on, there's a lot of ccTLD who is managed by a regulator. So, I think we can have a discussion with those entities, how to do this. This is what I want to say to support what you said about that.

KATRINA SATAKI: Sorry I'm jumping in. I think we could compare those different models, and see where we are stronger and where there are probably some weaknesses. But maybe we shouldn't go into the ... What I see sometimes is that if ccTLD is not performing well, government is forced to step in. I really don't want to go into the discussion whether that was the case in those particular country TLDs, but we can explore and see strengths and weaknesses. I like the title.

BART BOSWINKEL: With the basic—so people really understand, because there are some ... That’s a nice one, just to do some basic facts. What is the distribution across—first of all, generally—maybe even on a regional basis. That sets the tone, as well, for the different regions. That’s something regional organizations, by definition, can’t provide. That’s where you see where the ccNSO and regional organizations are complementary.

KATRINA SATAKI: Completely. I think that here, we really should work closer with the regional organization—ask for information from them. CENTR has all the information available. LACTLD also sent us a percentage. Barrack, maybe you also have statistics on the distribution of this legal structure of ccTLDs in Africa, and then also Leonid from APTLD. What to do with North America? Probably we’ll just ...

BART BOSWINKEL: There are not too many of them.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: We’ll figure it out on the way. Okay, there’s a plan for that. Also, regarding topics for Cancun, we had some interest on continuing the discussion over what is now called DNS abuse. Maybe we should think of a theme—not necessarily on explaining what is phishing, what is malware, what it that, because that’s something that I don’t think it’s worth going into. But we go over what our ccTLD is doing with those things, if they are doing anything, because we know some are. In the launch for the call for volunteers, we can say, “This is one topic. Let us

know if you want to share with us what you are doing,” so everyone sees what others are doing. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL:

May I suggest that you put it on the agenda as a topic, and that the MPC discusses the format moving forward? You could also go another way. If you build on the DNS abuse, you have this framework. I know at least one ccTLD. That’s the framework that the gTLD registries have—some of them signed up to on DNS abuse. I know at least from one ccTLD who signed that one as well. That’s [nomina]. So, you have different ways of dealing with it, and that warrants further discussion, what you want to achieve at the end of the day, and then build on that. But that’s a role for the MPC.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Another idea for you to think about, maybe this is another thing where we could add this regional perspective, because there are differences in regions, how we address this. In Europe, for example, currently we see increase in this regulatory framework. It would be interesting to see. We should add this global dimension—not those who want to share their experience, but maybe something more than that—really, not just from one region, or from two or three ccTLDs. But again ...

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL:Yes, try to keep diversity during the presentations. Yes, I can think of ...

KATRINA SATAKI: I can see Europeans, again, coming and talking about their issues.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: I know at least one in Latin America that can do a very nice contribution. If I know the people already, that is also a test for us as members, to see who could be in that session in particular, and contact them, and ask them if they can come. If, of course, we don't find them, or they cannot come to Cancun for some reason, then we can open to see if anyone else would like to share their experience.

I think I mixed a little bit the topics, but I wanted to start with this. Moving with the kickoff session, also coming from our members meetings here, we had the DNS and the internet of things session. People liked to see it as a plenary. We just came from the kickoff session for Cancun, and we presented it as our potential topic to be proposed for the plenary.

There were also some suggestions on having other plenaries, regarding business models and innovation in the internet ecosystem. That's super general, but it will, at a point, come down to earth, and we will see what they are actually meaning with that.

Another thing that was discussed in this kickoff session was the opening ceremony—if it will be, as usual, in the morning on Monday, or it will be moved on the afternoon, regarding logistics of the local host. We don't know yet what will happen, but it was discussed.

Also, another interesting thing, if it's worth knowing, is that the ICANN 67 website will be launched today, with the basic information as the

venue, hotels, visa requirements, and all those things. It's good to know.

A thing that I found very interesting is that the GNSO—especially the Registrars Stakeholder Group—was ... I think it was then, but if not, the GNSO as a whole. They will have an experiment with the meeting with the ICANN Board. They will do breakout sessions with them, and they will come back with feedback on how that goes. Maybe that could be something we can think about for a meeting with the ICANN Board, to involve more of the community, if that's something we feel like it's needed. Any thoughts on that? Guðrun?

GUÐRUN POULSEN: I don't have—nothing to that, but what about the TLD Ops Workshops? I believe you entered that one.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Asking if we are going to have another one? I don't know. I'm not sure that we will have another TLD Ops Workshop in Cancun, but I can go and ask them if there will be one.

GUÐRUN POULSEN: I've just been talking around with a lot of people, and it seems like there was ...

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: They said, but it's not yet confirmed. I think there will be. Sorry, my mind is a little bit tired now on Thursday. Now, I remember. Yes, they did say that they will have a workshop, or they asked the audience if there was an interest in having this again, and the audience said yes, so they were planning on that. I remember telling this to the LACTLD manager, so we are aware to go. But the dates, and the format, and everything, I don't know. But I will come back with that at a point. I promise. To me, those were the highlights of the kickoff session. I'm not sure if there are any others. Katrina? No, right? Okay.

We see on the screen now the potential block schedule, but it's a little bit challenging to show on Zoom. This is not to be taken too seriously, in the sense that it will change. So, this is not how it will be. Yes, it is a little small, but still we will have six days. There will be some plenaries. There was a discussion, also, on changing the timing of the plenary sessions. There will be two public forums, opening ceremony. When this is a little bit more stable, we will share it with you. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL: Question I think that's going to be very important for the MPC ... Was there any discussion about the number of plenaries? Are they limited to three, or will they again start with six, or eight as in the past?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Well, it was not discussed if they were going to increase or not, but this was presented as the expected plenary amount. Katrina has ...

KATRINA SATAKI: Apparently, I paid attention at that particular part. Yes, they said that it looks that three works very fine, and that’s why we go with three. I think if there is a need, and if there are topics for discussion, I’m sure they could be increased. But currently, it looks like we are settled with three.

BART BOSWINKEL: Even if there are topics, then you drop off another one. That’s another way of looking at it. It’s not increasing, but whether it’s in the morning or in the afternoon, that really doesn’t matter. That’s the nice thing about this block schedule.

KATRINA SATAKI: We said it mattered to us, because this is something that we asked during one of the calls. We thought that it would be ... Actually, we saw it this time. We said, “Next session is DNS abuse,” and someone forget to mention that DNS abuse isn’t a plenary, in the main hall. People were sitting there and waiting for the DNS abuse to happen, but they had to get up, go to another room, and then probably never came back.

I don’t know. But when we have these sessions in the middle of our day ... We argue that we would like to have the flow of our meeting, and have these plenaries at the end. I don’t know, because others, apparently, were not as supportive of it.

BART BOSWINKEL: At the end of the day, look, if it's between coffee breaks, it really doesn't matter. It's more that you pay attention where you need to go. If you're with coffee breaks, you go out of the room anyway.

KATRINA SATAKI: That's true. That is absolutely true. Joke has something to add.

JOKE BRAEKEN: It may be a good idea to prepare a holding slide next time, so that it's at least on the screen.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Excellent idea.

KATRINA SATAKI: I think that's very good.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: That's why I said that they were not increasing by themselves. We'll see, whatever comes to the ICANN planning—how many topics and how much track those topics have. But so far, three.

BART BOSWINKEL: I think it depends a bit on the MPC. Going forward, the people from the MPC, and you who are on these SO/AC roundtables—that you start ... You could have that the MPC thinks, "Okay, six is fine," but they all can say, "Three is fine," but that would set the tone that you have to

negotiate with Janis. That’s why I’m asking as well. So, the preference would be ...

KATRINA SATAKI: No, it was said that we have only three.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes. So, any comments? No? Okay, then I’ll go to the other point in the agenda. May we have the agenda, please? Thank you. We have some homework to do. The homework is to review the suggestions from the ccNSO Organization Review for our next call, so we actually see how to address them or how to improve them. Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL: That’s one, but may I also suggest that you wait until the Council Triage Committee comes up with a bit of a mapping exercise—prioritization where to put in the efforts?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, but since there are some that are specifically for us, that the only ones that we should look at, like planning the sessions, or how to make the participation better. Those were the ones that I was thinking about, not the whole of them—only the ones that are thrown at the MPC. Still, it’s good that read them all, but I was talking about only the ones that are for the MPC. The link is in the agenda, so please read them, and find the ones that are for the MPC. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please, for the next call, they will be really appreciated.

Our next item ... I hope I'm not going too fast, Joke. A little bit? Is regarding the MPC membership term. Oh, we have slides for that. Thank you. Do you want to go over that, Joke? Okay.

JOKE BRAEKEN:

As you remember, in Kobe, they had some discussions on terms of the MPC members. We also had a review of the charter of the Meetings Programme Committee. We established that that Meetings Programme membership is limited to two years, or the term of the MPC membership is two years, and committee members may be reappointed by the ccNSO Council for a maximum of two more subsequent terms—so, in total, three terms in a row. That's six years. You can read all this in the charter.

Here is an extract on the MPC charter. In April—that was after the discussions in Kobe—this group agreed on a proposed term start for all current MPC members. To ensure continuity, the term start was staggered in three different steps, taking into account regional diversity, but also balance between newer members and those that have been for a longer time on the committee, and also preferences expressed by the committee members themselves.

There was also an agreement that the MPC Chair will verify with each MPC member once a year if they have an interest to continue serving on the committee. This is something that is also being done by other ccNSO committees, like the SOPC. Of course, members can step down any moment when they feel the need to do so.

Go to the next slide. Here, you see this table for what that group agreed on after Kobe discussions. The ones marked with an x are the longer-standing members. You can see that they are spread across the three different groups, and also the regional representation and preferences were taken into account. So, just as a reminder that this is something that is still ongoing, and that by the end of the year, the Chair, or the secretariat, if the Chair prefers, will approach you all and ask if you have an interest in continuing to serve on the committee. Any concerns or questions regarding this? Thank you.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: I just have one bit of info regarding this. Since preparing for this meeting, I talked to Barbara, and we thought that it would be nice to have that email sent maybe next week, and give two weeks for people to respond, so we can see if there was a need to call for volunteers in the next call. But I don't know if that works. I see Joke saying that maybe no. It was something that we discussed. 4 of December.

BART BOSWINKEL: We need to do some backtracking, because I think next week, we as staff are a bit out of the loop. That's the issue.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Okay. So, that was a thought. If it's doable ...

BART BOSWINKEL: I think that was the reason why you saw this shocked expression on Joke’s face.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: I’m sorry. I didn’t know. So, maybe not. But then, still, what I do want to stress is when this email comes—if it’s not now, it will come eventually—is that we would like to see a real participation. So, if you really want to continue, you should express, “Yes, I want to,” so it’s not a default thing—to see activity in the committee. Now it’s committee. Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: Not sure I understand the process. So, the idea is to have confirmations by the next meeting on the 4th of December?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: If doable, but if not ...

JOKE BRAEKEN: No, just to understand the reasoning.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Just to know if we needed to call ... Let’s say, for example, that a lot of members step down the committee, then we could potentially launch a call for volunteers, right? That’s the reasoning on having it before the next call. Yes?

BART BOSWINKEL: Send out a call for volunteers?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, but just thinking if there was a need for doing so, just as a topic for the next call. But if it's not doable, it's not necessarily needed to be in those timings. But it was a thought. Yes?

JOKE BRAEKEN: I think it's doable. That is not the issue. But I don't know if the response influences the fact whether you should have a call for volunteers or not. Maybe it's just healthy to have a call for volunteers anyhow.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: My concern would be to have too large of a group, because the more opinions could make it difficult. It's not that we don't want new people. It's just if the committee grows too large, it could be potentially confusing. Hiro, I'm not sure if you wanted to say something.

HIRO HOTTA: I have a question on this chart. For example, first term start at ICANN 64. That means that the first term start after ICANN 64, first term starts just after ICANN 63, or when will the term start?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: The terms start in that particular meeting. So, in the first column, that group of people, their two-year terms started in ICANN 64.

HIRO HOTTA: What does “at” mean?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: In the ICANN 64 meeting.

HIRO HOTTA: So, it means at the first day of the 64?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: We don’t have it narrowed down to a date—more to a meeting. But then, when the two years come to the next meeting ... So, you have six meetings in two years.

HIRO HOTTA: Yeah, I understand.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL: Maybe the other way around ... Maybe that’s helpful. When does the first term end? The first term ends, for the first group, at ICANN 70. And

then, for the second group, it will end at ICANN 73, if you do the two-year thing. And then, for the third group, it's ICANN 76.

HIRO HOTTA:

I can see what it means—at the conclusion of ICANN 64.

BART BOSWINKEL:

Yeah, and then it ends. Maybe that's easier, or you just put in the date—that meeting up to the March or something.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Since we discussed this, the [previous] people didn't like that we put "term ends," so we put the "term start," but we can put both, so it's no complication. And again, these are of course not mandatory, so if at any point you think, "I'm not sure I want to stay that long ..." Because some of the term, some are not yet started. At the ending point, you can of course say, "Okay, sorry. I cannot continue," because of whatever. It's not mandatory. Just it's an overview on how things could go. Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN:

I was approached today by Jian, who was a member of this committee. Since her term ended at ICANN 66, here, as a ccNSO Council member, she was wondering how this impacts her membership on the MPC. I informed her that since she's no longer a ccNSO Council member, her term on the MPC ends as well, but that she's more than happy to participate, for instance, in today's meeting. It's not that since she's no

longer a Council member that she still wasn't welcome today, during this meeting. It's not so strict.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Thank you. I hope it's clearer now, yes? Let me see. Any other comments regarding this? No? I know we are not all of us here, and that this needs further discussion, but how do you feel about having the call for volunteers, or how large should this committee be? Should we have every time a call for volunteers? I'm just saying, because I already expressed my feeling of it's too large, then it could be potentially complicated, but I don't know. Or we can discuss this next time. Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: Is the question should we have a call for volunteers at the end of this year, or should we have a call for volunteers every year?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: The question is if we should have a call of volunteers every year, or maybe on need basis. I don't know if we should have them every year, and maybe this group can grow as large as 50 people, or only launching it when we feel like we need more people. Yes, Katrina?

KATRINA SATAKI: Thank you. Something suggests to me that we won't have 50 people in the group—at least not active members. I think that we need some contingency planning there, because if we see that we are going to lose

some members, we need to plan in advance and get new people on board to make sure that they can participate in the work.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Yes, Joke?

JOKE BRAEKEN: I just opened the charter, and the text actually provides some guidance on the term start. Also, regarding the call for volunteers, if I recall well, there was something included there, but I cannot find it right now. I think it was at the discretion of the chair to decide whether to launch a call for volunteers or not. But the term start explicitly mentions that it starts at the end of the Community Forum, the first ICANN meeting of the year, and ends just after the Community Forum held two years later.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Okay, thank you—so, just a feeling. Any other ... Yes, Katrina?

KATRINA SATAKI: I think Joke was first.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Okay, Joke.

JOKE BRAEKEN: I just want let you know that I found a paragraph regarding the call for volunteers. “If considered necessary for the continuity of the work of

the committee, the Committee Chair may request the Council that the ccNSO Secretariat publishes a call for volunteers.”

KATRINA SATAKI:

So, we have all the answers in the charter, basically. We just never read it. This is actually the point that I wanted to rise, that the Council decided to reach out to working groups and ask them to update their charters, and probably even make them—use a template for those charters. I remember that we reviewed the charter relatively recently, but maybe it’s a good exercise. Rereading the charter is a very valuable experience. So, just to let you know this is coming.

BART BOSWINKEL:

In relation, that was my comment. Maybe the MPC should consider to appoint a Vice Chair as well, for eventualities.

KATRINA SATAKI:

That’s a good point.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO BARRAL: Okay, noted. So, continuing, any other business? No? Silence. Okay, I don’t have any myself. So then, we already said this but anyway, the next call is scheduled for December 4th at 13:00 UTC, and we will have a new chair by then. If there’s nothing else to be added, then thank you very much for joining, for your input, for your participation, and we’ll see you next time. Safe travel home, yes.

KATRINA SATAKI: And thank, Alejandra, for all your work.

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