
MARYAM BAKOSHI: Hi everyone. Welcome to the NCUC EC meeting on Wednesday the 11th of November 2020 at 14:00 UTC. On the call today, we have Raphael Beuregard-Lacroix, Mili Semlani, Olga Kyryliuk. From staff, we have myself, Maryam Bakoshi. I'd like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much, and over to you, Raphael.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you, Maryam, and thank you, Mili and Olga for being here. So I guess my first point before going to point one is point zero, which as you can see, if one of us is missing the meeting, it's 20% and so we're currently missing 40% of the EC, which I guess is a bit short, but we'll just have to do with that for today. Again, I think you're both pretty much on time, but it would be good if we can start really on the time we're supposed to. We're going to try to keep it to an hour today and given that we're not that many, it should go pretty fast.

Is there one of you who would be interested in making minutes for today's call? I can keep track of action points, but just taking notes and as a summary. That would be good, and I guess that could be a general practice. Okay, thank you, Mili. Thanks a lot. And we can have a look. I remember we started an Excel sheet sometime in the summer with links and stuff. We could probably use that as well as a form of archive. But yeah. I think the most important for now is just to have the minutes taken and how and when we kind of publish them can come after.

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So just to quickly update you on the flurry of [EC] positions that we have to fill. As far as the PC is concerned, we have two positions. Robin is currently going to—no, sorry, this is NCSG EC, I'm already skipping. So PC, we have two seats, both of them were vacant. No, so one was vacant which was the seat that you, Olga, I think had, and we've had one application by ... Let me look back. And application that Maryam forwarded—

MARYAM BAKOSHI: We have two applications. We received Olga's application this morning, and then we have one from Akinremi Peter Taiwo.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. So I didn't know, Olga, that you were interested in continuing. We have also Liz who was on the PC and is interested also in continuing. I don't know what was the practice before. If you want to stay on the PC, I guess there's no problem, Olga, in the sense that you can consider your application [inaudible] we don't have a rule—

OLGA KYRYLIUK: I'm sorry, Raphael, but I did not send an application. Maybe it's ... I don't know.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. Thank you [for that slight] clarification. Maybe you meant Liz, Maryam?

MARYAM BAKOSHI: I'm just going to double check that. My apologies, Olga. Sorry, I meant Liz, not Olga.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: That solves it. Okay. So yes, we have Liz who was there before. She told me she was interested to continue, and she reapplied. And we have Akinremi who applied also. So technically, we have two. Now the call closes tomorrow. We have two applications for the position, so I guess that's good. It's a minimum. So yeah. And then what I'll do, once the call officially closes, I'm still going to send a reminder to the whole list tonight or after the call, but I will forward to you the two applications and then we can kind of officially decide.

Maryam, I don't know what was the practice before, but I presume that when I would forward an application like this, it should be just to personal emails, right? I shouldn't forward it to the EC list.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Yes, exactly.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay, so that's what I'll do and so that we can also, if we want, need to deliberate, we can do that without having it be archived publicly.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Raphael, you can forward it to the EC list but the deliberation has to be outside it.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Yeah, the voting ... We can have a spreadsheet, it's just locked to the EC members.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. Good. Thanks. So we'll do it that way. Now for the NCSG EC, so the call was open later, a few days ago. Robin is still interested in continuing, and then so we need someone else from my seat. Now, I don't think we have received any applications for that. We would need to ... Feel free to reach into your networks within the constituency if you know anyone who would be interested by this kind of leadership position. There's a few people that I've seen in calls a little bit. I will try to reach out to them, but really, please do. It's an [inaudible] position. It's also someone who would be there to support Bruna. That's important, but we still have a little bit of time for that.

Now the North American seat which is something that is closing tomorrow as well. As you will presume, we don't have anyone. So I guess we need to discuss a little bit what we want to do with that. So this is basically all the way back to June when we had the elections, there was no one, and then there was kind of another call after the election and then there was no one, and then it was decided that we'd

do another call after the musical chair happened at the last ICANN meeting, and there was no one again. So yeah. Does anyone have a very strong opinion about the way forward with that?

I have a few things in mind, but I would be glad to hear what you think we should be doing. And for the record, the NCUC bylaws do not [inaudible] as far as I've been able to read, what to do when these kind of circumstances [inaudible]. Yes, Olga.

OLGA KYRYLIUK:

I'm thinking that probably, we already tried two options which could help us to fill this seat and none of them really worked, because as you mentioned, no one replied, and even I find this is very much unfortunate that there is no interest coming from the community, but also, I think that if there is no real willingness and commitment, then we can't force anyone to take this job, because even if we approach somebody directly and say, look—because everyone knows what is the case with this position, and if we even say to the person, can you invite him or her to be onboard, and if they accept, there is no guarantee that [further] during the work, they will be really interested in committing, because at the end, they got this position ready on the plate there was no one else. So I don't think that this is a good way. So probably, we can just leave it vacant so far, and maybe come back to it after a few months if it makes sense, or just after a year when another election cycle will be on the calendar. But I don't think we can do more than that.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yeah. Thanks. [inaudible] force anyone, twist any arms. And I see that Mili is putting [inaudible] discussed before, I think, so [inaudible] who applied. Yeah, so we're just trying to see what we can do with that. I don't know—okay, is it understandable or no? Okay.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Sorry, Raphael, I was waiting a minute to find out if it was from my side, but it isn't. So I think your network is dropping.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. I'll join on my phone as well, it might be a bit better. Just give me a minute.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: It's actually better now, so I'm not sure how that happened.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yeah, but German Internet is not very good, so I'll join on my phone for audio because I think the Wi-Fi gets a bit better on it. Just give me a minute.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: All right. Thank you.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Is it better now?

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Yes, it is. Thank you.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. So yes, I was just saying basically I'm also inclined to leave it vacant for now. We did our best, I suppose, and there's no kind of strict obligation on our part to fill the seat. I don't know—yeah, so I saw Mili, you put a green check earlier. Ben, do you have opinions on the matter? Ben, you're muted if you're trying to speak. I don't know if ...

Well, all the avenues—I'm not sure what you mean by that. One thing we haven't done is—well, no actually, we have. I've asked for example [inaudible] who's currently based in North America and is chairing the human rights working group. I don't know the exact acronym. So I've reached out to him for example and asked if he was interested, and he was not, because he already has one thing going on and that's enough for him.

So all the avenues, I guess we haven't gone as far as extending a personalized e-mail to each of our North American members, but it's been around for such a long time I would think that someone who would have been interested might have just manifested themselves. Yes, Bruna.

BRUNA SANTOS: Hello everyone. So about the slot, it hasn't been around for that long, it's been since June, and we have always had a slight difficulty in filling or finding representatives for the NCUC North American slot. One thing I

would advise you to do is reach out to ... We still might have a list for North American members, so that might be an avenue or initiative to mail all of them advising for this specific slot, and saying that you are going to keep your open call for this position because the bylaw says we have to fill it, and you would wish to fill it because otherwise, the EC is rather imbalanced as well. So that would kind of imply that the chair would have to vote on the majority of things if we don't have the North American one. So that kind of sets an imbalance on the EC as a whole.

But maybe a last advice I would do, it would be for you to keep on maybe advertising for that specifically on the policy committee calls. We have a lot of people coming [in] here and there. We have people like David Morar who would be just announced on the NCSG list. I'm not sure if he will be in NCUC list, but he is someone that can be active and contribute to this position and so on and so forth. So maybe go through the list once again and think about names. And I'm just hinting one here would be an idea.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you, Bruna. I think advertising on calls is a good idea, certainly. I think it's more about what we do now in the sense that leaving it open in the sense that of course if someone comes forward, sure, I would even say anytime at this point. I'm not in favor of necessarily officially closing it. And I think given that maybe e-mails, especially if someone has already a lot of e-mails, these kind of e-mails may get lost in different types of tabs or categories, whatever e-mail client you use.

Yeah, it does look bad having an open slot. So Maryam, maybe, I know there is an NCUC regional list, I think for North America, but has it ever been updated? I presume it's not automatically updated on the basis of the database. I'm almost pretty sure of that. But it does exist, right?

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Hi Raphael. My understanding was it is actually pulled from the database so it should be up to date.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. That's interesting. Well, then I'll definitely have a look at that list just to kind of confirm that, and then I'll make use of it. And yeah, I think what Bruna, you mentioned there, is a good idea. And I've noted the name that you've mentioned as well, David Morar. So again, if anyone else has names of people, new members who may be based in North America, also feel free as EC members to reach out individually to them.

Yes. So, is there anything else on that for now? I would kind of note as an action point on my side to just look at the list and then send ... Yeah, okay. Good. Thanks, Bruna. That's good to know, actually. Despite having applied years ago. Yeah, that's now your job, to deal with membership. So yes. Good. I'll have a look at that and I'll send an e-mail to both lists in the coming days on that.

So now the last point on leadership position is the vice chair. Of course, it would be best to deal with the vice chair process if we had, let's say, a full EC. Now it's not really the case and we don't know when it's going

to be the case necessarily. Given that we have maybe David kind of as a potentially interested, I might leave the vice chair thing for the next time in case he would actually join and we can have a full EC and do a little vice chair election just for, well, I guess Ben and Mili, we know about the vice chair, but maybe for Olga.

So the role of the vice chair—I'm kind of just going to be reading from the bylaws—is someone to whom I can delegate responsibility on a temporary basis, and if I become incapacitated or if I become unaccountably absent as well for 30 days, vice chair becomes chair, and if I resign also. So that's basically the role of the vice chair. It's nothing more but nothing less than that as well. But I'll keep that for the next time in case David actually turns out to be interested. Yes, my Mr. Pence. Yeah.

Okay, if there's nothing more on that, then we'd go to the ABRs. I've put this as third because it's kind of important. So yesterday, we had Bruna and me and Raoul as well from NPOC, had a call with Maryam, Brenda and Carlos from staff who is in a way Maryam's and Brenda's boss, and just provided us with general information about what are the roles of Maryam and Brenda, and his role as well, Carlos, and what's their role as staff support for us.

But we had a discussion also about our ABRs, so NCUC and NCSG in that case, more specifically about what we need to do with them. Just to give you an idea, you certainly know that NCUC has an ABR for the current fiscal year for civil society advocacy, so the development of civil society advocacy within our community or constituency. I think it's for a

course. I can't remember the exact wording, but it's about civil society focus. And let's call it a course for now.

And the way that Org wants to work with us on that is that—advocacy training, yes, thank you, Bruna—is that we basically give them the details of what we want in terms of outcomes and content as well, and they will then look at their resources, so ICANN's own resources in order to provide us with the actual thing in the training in that case.

So from the discussion we had with Carlos yesterday, it's not an impossibility for us to have our own trainer if we want to, for example, or if we believe that our objectives would be better served by that, but we need to be ready to argue our case in a certain way and it seems to me at least that Org would also want to prioritize using their own resources, which is understandable.

But in any case, what we need to do, we need to think ourselves but also consult the membership about what they, what we want, and let's say we need to have a plan by Christmas which gives us six weeks at most. Actually, in six weeks exactly, it's going to be Christmas. Interesting.

So we have less than six weeks, let's say five, which is not that much time. So I think if we're going to consult the membership, it kind of needs to happen fast. So the time frame, it has to happen before the end of the current fiscal year, and if I'm not mistaken, that would be the very end of June or July. Maybe, Maryam, you can confirm, or Bruna if you know the exact date as well. But yeah, June.

So the thing needs to take place before, but we need to have a plan by Christmas so that it can be, let's say, concretized and implemented and the thing can happen, hopefully not too much at the last minute. Yes, exactly, as to be ready and rolled out by June. How many participants? Well, as many—and if I recall correctly, it was a requirement, and now I'm not sure—so there were notes on both the ABRs, but it kind of has to be somewhat open. We can't restrict it to, let's say, like the NCUC one cannot be restricted to only NCUC members, but because it's going to be online, obviously, it can accommodate, I guess, as many people as Zoom can accommodate. Yes, there's no limit to participation in terms of numbers in that sense. Yes, Bruna.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Thanks, [Raph.] So just a little more background on this. This is an advocacy training dedicated for the noncommercial community, especially NCUC, and the idea there would be for members to be able to learn a bit more about how NCUC and NCSG have been advocating for values and positions across ICANN and topics and working groups and so on. So that would be a first point.

Secondly, the idea was also for us to provide our member means to be more vocal and participate more in a more qualified way in PDPs and so on. So that's kind of the framing of the ABR. The only requirement that ICANN gave us is that this would be open, as you were saying, to other parts of the community such as NPOC, NCSG, and maybe even ALAC. While I didn't quite agree with this kind of restriction or kind of expansion of our ABR, I guess, again, just one advice here would be for you to liaise with [inaudible] and Betsy Andrews and Chantelle, and

Maryam as well who might be the ones behind this course and helping us put together discourse. But first, set out a consultation for the list. I have tried to do this before and didn't get many answers, but maybe just a second explaining on the ABR and asking what would be the topics they would wish to see on this course is a way.

And then as you already know, about the facilitator of the course, it's really important to work together with ICANN just so the person that's actually facilitating in the day knows our community, knows our difficulties and parts of our groups and so on. So this would be kind of an advice. And that's it, there's no limit to participate.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you, Bruna. So maybe one question very concretely, consulting the membership, I was thinking probably that maybe like a Google form would be the most straightforward way to go about that rather than just kind of leaving it open and then having people reply in an e-mail thread. I don't remember how you did it. I remember seeing Google forms and filling them. I don't remember if it was for that in the years before.

Yeah. Sorry, I'm just reading. "More involved in ..." I don't know, Olga, I think we can tell her. It can be practical. That's something that we need to kind of come up with, and obviously, we need to consult the community, but these are the kind of things that we need to decide. This certainly doesn't have to be a webinar. Yeah. And I think also, as you said, Mili, Google form allows us to at least funnel the answers a little bit or preformat them in a way that is going to be easier for us to

process. So I already understand, Olga, that you probably are more in favor of something more interactive. Certainly, that's a good thing. Yeah, training, certainly. Olga, go ahead.

OLGA KYRYLIUK:

I'm just curious how it was designed from the beginning. That's why I actually asked about the number of participants, because if we are targeting something more practical, for example, dividing attendees into the breakout rooms so that there is more interaction or something practical, then this is a different format, and then we need to have more facilitators and all this stuff. That's why I was just curious about the format, but if it's still to be shaped and discussed, then yes, we can discuss all those details further. I was just thinking that maybe it's already set and all these details have been identified. But if not, just good to know.

MARYAM BAKOSHI:

Raphael, can I jump in quickly and add a bit of detail to the ABR?

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yes, go ahead.

MARYAM BAKOSHI:

Thanks. So Olga and Mili, Benjamin, I've added the link to the ABR, the language for the approval in the chat. If you go through that link on page three, it will tell you exactly what has been approved, and like

Bruna was saying, involvement of other communities, the civil society, NPOC, NCSG and the like.

This is your ... Like they say in England, this is your baby, you decide how you want to accomplish advocacy and how you want to accomplish what was requested in the ABR. So there is no hard and fast rule as long as your objectives are met, you can decide how you want to frame that virtually. So it's an open book, open playing field for you, and just do what you think would be beneficial for the membership. I hope that helps.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you, Maryam. Yes, and it's a good idea in general. So our ABRs would probably be a file that you will have saved locally or bookmarked at least, because we'll probably need to access it a fair amount of times. Bruna, go ahead.

BRUNA SANTOS: Yeah, just about the slots. You guys are also, as Maryam said, this is your baby so you're free to set it up. Olga might remember pretty well the policy writing one back in [inaudible]. I think you did this one, right, Olga? And that one, we kind of had a cap of maybe 20 participants or 15, something like that, and this was a small group that really worked in both smaller breakout groups and so on. So this is also something that can be related to a request to [PRS] and also to ICANN Org as a whole.

And since there is this requirement of having other parts of the community on this course, I would just try to go with kind of a division

in-between the community, let's say, so ten participants from NCUC, like kind of a capped number of participants. So ten participants of NCUC, maybe five from NPOC, five from NCSG. And if there's ALAC interested in this, then maybe other five from ALAC. Just so you don't want this to become too overpowered by other perspectives or kind of discussions. I don't know if I'm being clear, but maybe that's kind of breaking out the participation. And if there's a chance in doing so, it's important.

And also, I'm not sure, Maryam, if this is also going to be recorded, so if there is a point in this recorded—because it often is—to maybe be offered as an ICANN Org course later on, please have this in mind when you're kind of thinking about the content and distribution of participants and also facilitation.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you, Bruna. So yes, it would be on ICANN Learn, so we need to, as you said, keep that in mind. So I guess now probably an action point—yeah, needs to be something that can be reused later in this kind of general interest [inaudible] I guess. So an action point for now would be to get kind of a draft of a Google form started so that we could discuss it in a next call that we would need to have, probably quicker than in four weeks in that case. Or we could probably also do that all on the list. But, so get a Google form out, at least a draft so that we can then refine it together and also, Bruna, if you want to kind of stay involved a little bit since you were the one who drafted the ABR, just to kind of make sure that we get the ... We ask the right questions to our members, and then on that basis, then we can decide on a more precise plan that we could

then submit before Christmas. So, is there anyone who would be interested in just getting that draft started?

What's the deadline for getting the draft out? You mean the draft of the Google form that we're going to send?

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Yeah.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Or the draft of the plan we would submit?

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Yeah, Raphael, sorry, I was just asking, it's great to have deadlines in place when you're planning all of these things also, that it's not just left to anyone to just chance it happening, but there's a deadline to each and every single point for the ABR.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yeah. Let's say a week, I think a week would be good so that we could eventually probably meet in two weeks to kind of discuss it, maybe just even have a meeting dedicated to that so that we make sure that we get it out, and then we could put it out to the membership another week, get the answers and then meet again, or then develop the actual plan on a call and offline [inaudible].

Yeah, I think definitely, we need to be working on an actual draft of what we'll submit to Org by the beginning of December. Yes, I could

certainly do that. I could actually—I'll try to get a draft Google form out by next week and then—yeah, so, sorry, just not to get confused about the word “draft,” I'll get preliminary Google form that we'll use to consult the members within seven days, and then we can distribute and [inaudible] but put it out on the list, get the answers, because we'd probably need two weeks for that if we want to get enough answers at least, and then once we have enough answers, then we can together start working on a text draft in that case of what we will ultimately submit before Christmas to ICANN Org about the ABR. Yeah, put a planning document first, Maryam. Thank you. So planning document, and a Google form. That's going to be good.

Okay, let's see what else I had listed for ABRs. I think that's good for now. Was there anything else? Yeah, Google form could be ready. Is there anything else about ABRs from anyone on the call? No? Good. Okay. So next point is not very long, actually. That's about the GNSO call that we had on threats and opportunities for the council. So last week, all the constituency and SG chairs across the GNSO were part of the call as well as all the outgoing, incoming and current councilors. So there was a fair amount of people.

It was as pretty long call. There was a lot of interesting discussion. So you can read what I posted. There's not necessarily anything in there which requires, I would say, our immediate action in a sense. I think it's all things which are very important to keep in mind as general matters for what is coming. Maybe the most immediate one would be GNSO review that's going to be coming up in the spring and the summer that will concern us very directly.

But besides that, I just wanted to also see if ... So my idea was also to share that with the general list because I think that's relevant for everyone, kind of a trimmed down version of that. Yeah, and I'm just looking at ... So Milton shared some comments as well with us on that, which is always good to have., especially about, let's see how BC, IPC frame certain things or how they say certain things. Yeah, so I guess hats just kind of a general announcement for you. Feel free to look at what I sent, and that's pretty much it. I will also post it on the general list. And yeah, thank you, Mili, for what you've been doing now in parallel with the planning document. That's very nice.

So, are there any questions on this point four from the agenda? No? All good? Okay. Now we are, I guess, mostly—smaller stuff, still important things. So I've put web presence there. So as you know, we have Twitter account, we have a website to which I don't have access yet, and we have a blog on that website which is not currently being used.

And it's good that, Bruna, you're there actually. So I would like if one of you—i.e. not me—could be in charge of the Twitter account. But I wanted to know, Bruna, if there are kind of written—I wouldn't say rules but guidelines about how the Twitter account should be used, what kind of things it should be tweeting about and/or retweeting and/or liking. Because I guess it kind of speaks for the constituency so that's not to be taken too lightly in this day and age. Yeah, so I don't know if there were, while you were there, or if you were in charge of it or how you—and if you were, even if there was nothing written, what's your kind of general philosophy about that.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Thanks, [Raph.] Nothing written about it, and that's a really good point. Maybe developing guidelines for social media or anything like that would be a really good thing. I know you're in really good hands, both Mili and Ben are pretty active, and Olga as well are pretty active on Twitter and have a good knowledge of that, so this is truly three people who can help you a lot in the upcoming year.

But in terms of the use of the account, I've been using it mostly for highlighting sessions at ICANN or IGF meetings previously. I used to follow the majority of ICANN community members who are on Twitter or who I was on Twitter, but then in terms of following [that would be it] in terms of postings. Maybe coming up with idea of highlighting sessions, highlighting ICANN meetings, readouts or any other regional opportunities for our members, and also, having a space. This is something you can come up with, but having a space for giving the floor to any organization that's part of NCUC or any member who wishes to maybe say something on behalf of the constituency online, that would be a good idea moving forward. Yeah, it was mostly things related to ICANN meetings and our participation in RightsCon or IGF or anything like that. So that would be it.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you. So I get that it's kind of mostly informational in that sense, which is probably the best way to go about it. And I would probably think that that's the way we should keep it for now, at least until we have maybe—at least even if they are small or short, but like some guidelines about what else we could post about things that would be verging slightly more towards opinion, let's say, but in any case, is there

anyone who would like to be in charge of that? I currently have access to it and I could give it to one of you.

And if whoever's in charge, would be a good idea to keep an eye out for different IG events that are happening, especially now that everything's online. It does solve certain accessibility problems, let's put it that way, so there might even be a little bit more kind of going on, especially smaller scale events. So, do we have anyone who'd be interested by that kind of job? And if you're not decided now, we can kind of leave it open eventually for someone who ... Because we do have Leah who's not here on the call today too.

Okay, anyway, I'm going to leave that out as an open thing. Okay, yeah, thanks, Olga. Ben, if you want, we could both have access to it for now if you're interested. I'll note it down and I'll contact you with the details. Okay. Yes, and as for the website, as I said, I'm really trying hard to at least get admin access to it, but that's also something we've talked about before, so there's a blog on the website, it's not being used but it's there. If any of you are interested in talking about civil society participation, DNS policy making, that is also something that is always possible.

And just making sure, I think I've asked this question before, but we do not have any other social media account, right? There's only Twitter. There's no Instagram, there's no Facebook, there's no I don't know what else, TikTok or god knows what else.

BRUNA SANTOS: TikTok definitely not, but just checking if there is any Facebook group, because I think that there were. I'm just not sure if it's NCSG's or NCUC's.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Raphael, just a quick one. Did I understand you don't have access to the website? Is that correct?

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: No, not yet. I've really been literally harassing Tapani to get that.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: The NCUC website?

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yeah.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Oh, okay, I can create credentials for you on that.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. Sorry. I was not aware that you had—he didn't even tell me that you could do it for me. So, good. Thanks.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Overnight, I found out I could, so I will send you some details.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Thank you for that. Yeah, okay, so no Facebook page. Thanks for this. That's good. And I guess that's also a good thing, to generally verify that no one else is speaking in our name in other social media where we don't have a presence.

Of course, if any of you is more into that and you want to develop our presence on other social media, I was a bit joking with TikTok but who knows what else? There's Instagram as well, Snapchat. Anyway, if that's something that interests any of you, feel free to kind of bring that up to the rest of us and there's always room for expansion on that side of things.

Go ahead, Bruna.

BRUNA SANTOS: Sorry, [inaudible] one very small and not very relevant detail, but the header image from our Twitter, it has pictures of some people who have previously required to be taken out. So if you guys want to come up with a new header picture for the Twitter page, that's something that has always been on my to-do list but I never really had the time to do so. Just something that I'm reminded about, the Twitter, meaning the photo that goes behind, at the very top of the page behind our name.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yes. Thank you, Bruna. Do you know, or maybe Maryam, you would know as well, anyone has pictures of—now that we're not meeting in person anymore, I guess it would be a bit lame to put a screenshot of a

Zoom meeting, but is there anyone who has pictures of previous meetings that I could reach out to them? Because that's something that would literally take five minute to do if I have a picture, it's just that I don't have any pictures. The ICANN Flickr? Good, I'll note that and I'll have a quick look at that. Yeah, you can put a simple banner, but I guess it's nice to have faces if we do have—yeah, [Caleb] as well, that's true. I'll have a quick look at that, because that's really a small thing, and it's true that it has been requested a fair while back. Okay, thank you, Maryam.

So I guess the last point, if we're good on social media, so constituency meetings, I just put that there because that's something that had been discussed before and I think there's always a willingness of people to say, "Oh, we should have meetings" and especially have meetings that have nothing to do with procedures or charter amendments and who knows what, but meetings about the substance of what we're supposed to be doing, meaning DNS policy. And that's certainly a thing that we need to be organizing if there's anything that has to happen.

However, there's no point in having meetings just for the sake of having meetings. So if we are going to have meetings on a more regular basis, let's say three, four a year or even six a year if we want to get very hopeful or ... We would need to have more concrete kind of ideas and plans for that. That's kind of a more long-term background thing. We don't need to deal with that right away, but let's say we'd like to have one in the winter for example, then we need to basically say this is what we want to have it about, because having statutory meetings for the whole of the constituency just for the sake of having them is not really ... I think it's not necessarily the best way to go about this kind of thing,

because there's already enough meetings around, especially these days, and I don't think it will interest a lot of people. But if we come up with an actual thing we'd like to discuss, then that's a different thing.

Yes, thank you, Mili, and I think the blog also is something that could be advertised during the policy call of NCSG. Maybe it's a bit weird because it's an NCSG thing and I would be advertising it for NCUC, but I don't know, if we're advertising for our North American position, we can also advertise for the blog. And apologize to NPOC people.

Yes. So now to AOB for the last three minutes. Can the EC agree on a standing monthly meeting going forward? Certainly. I think that's a very good idea. Now, we will have maybe even more than that just because of the ABR, but let's say that we will have another one before Christmas in December, meaning, and probably in the first half of December. But yes, I think we can all agree on that, and I will take it up on me to send or to kindly ask Maryam and Brenda to send reminders or Doodle polls so that we can have our statutory calls. But yes, let's all agree on that. Yes, Maryam, go ahead.

MARYAM BAKOSHI:

Sorry, I was just going to have a quick suggestion. So rather than sending Doodles, what some other groups do is agree, you can say every first Wednesday or second Wednesday of the month at a particular time. Then of course, you can review that if there is an issue, but if you have that standing, then people also know to block out their calendars for those times every month.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yes. I think that's a good idea. Let's try that. Maybe the best then would be ... I don't know if we ... Yeah, okay, it's definitely a good idea. Would it be best if we kind of sent—we can try to agree now, actually. So, every first or second Wednesday at 14:00 UTC. Yeah, of course, if we need to meet more often because of the ABR and everything, we can do 15:00 UTC. I'm fine with that. I don't know, Ben and Olga—oh, you can't, Maryam.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Sorry, Raphael—no, we can't do 15:00 UTC.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Except I check with Brenda. I can double check 14:00 or 15:00 UTC with Brenda.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Yeah. I'm just thinking maybe the best, Maryam, if you could send a general Doodle, not one for a specific meeting but just one over, let's say, Wednesday, Thursday. Let's try that. And so then we feel generally what's our availability for those two days, and based on that, we can decide rather than try to kind of play Ping-Pong just now and figure out a time that could be fine for everyone.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: All right. I'll send a Doodle poll now.

RAPHAEL BEAUREGARD-LACROIX: Okay. Thanks. So everyone, just please fill that, and when we need to meet more often or in a slightly different schedule, we can agree that, let's say, we would meet one week before the normal EC call, then we can agree to cancel the next one and then leave it for the next month or something like this. But we would always have otherwise this statutory call. Thanks for the Doodle. So please fill that out as quickly as possible, and then once we all have done that, then let's agree on a time and date. So, is there anything else in the AOB?

I will take that as a no. I have a few action items in there. I will post them also to the list. And thank you, Mili, for the minutes. Thank you, Maryam, for the Doodle already. Yes, so please fill it out as quickly as possible, and so we can deal with it.

Okay, well, if that's all for you, it's all for me as well. Thank you for the minutes as well, Mili. And yeah. I guess that's all. So, thank you, Maryam, thank you, Bruna, for coming along. It was useful presence as always. Yes, I will reshare the links in the e-mail, both the Doodle and everything else. Don't worry about that. Okay, so I guess we can stop the recording, Maryam.

MARYAM BAKOSHI: Great. Thank you, everyone, for attending. Enjoy the rest of your day. Bye.

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