

THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND CERTAINLY ONE AREA THAT I PERSONALLY HAVE BEEN ATTENTIVE TO.

SO WITH THAT, I'LL TURN THE FLOOR BACK OVER AND THIS HAS BEEN A VERY SOLID SET OF CONTRIBUTIONS HERE. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE REST OF THE DISCUSSION TODAY.

>> THANK YOU, STEVE. WE ARE GLAD TO HAVE THE THREE CO-CHAIRS WHO HAVE SPENT THE LAST ONE AND A HALF NIGHT WORKING WITH EVERYBODY ON ENHANCING ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY. THEY DO A REMARKABLE JOB BUT THEY ARE UNDER PRESSURE FROM ALL SIDES AND I'D LIKE TO WELCOME THEM WARMLY. IT'S MATHIEU WEILL, LEON SANCHEZ AND THOMAS RICKERT. THE FLOOR IS YOURS. THANK YOU.

>>LEON SANCHEZ: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. YOUR EXCELLENCY, THANK YOU FOR LETTING US JOIN THIS MEETING. REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS, OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, DELEGATES, THANK YOU ALL FOR ALLOWING US TO JOIN YOU FOR THIS SESSION.

I WOULD LIKE TO START BY GIVING YOU A QUICK OVERVIEW OF THE WORK THAT WE HAVE DONE. LET'S MOVE ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. WHEN WE STARTED THIS PROCESS, THE TRANSITION PROCESS, A CONCERN WAS RAISED BY THE COMMUNITY REGARDING PUTTING AN END TO THE HISTORICAL ROLE OF THE US GOVERNMENT WITH ICANN BASED ON A CONTRACT AS WELL AS THE PERCEPTION THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN OBSTACLE OR A BLOCK TO THE COMMUNITY'S WISHES AND THAT IS WHY WE IN THE ICANN COMMUNITY RAISED THE NEED TO REINFORCE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY MECHANISMS AT ICANN, GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE HISTORICAL ROLE OF THE US GOVERNMENT WAS GOING TO COME TO AN END. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. NEXT SLIDE. THANK YOU.

EFFORT UNDERTAKEN TO ENHANCE ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY, WE SET UP A GRIEWB THAT STARTED WORKING IN THE DECEMBER 2014. SO I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THESE OPPORTUNITIES TO THANK ALL THE PARTICIPANTS, MEMBERS OF GAC THAT JOIN US THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS. YOUR PARTICIPATION HAS BEEN FUNDAMENTAL AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO BE CRUCIAL FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL THESE MEASURES IN CASE YOU APPROVE OUR REPORT.

THROUGH THIS CHART YOU CAN SEE THAT AS PART OF THAT WORK WE ESTABLISHED A PARALLEL WORKSTREAMS. FIRST THE CWG WORK RESPONSIBLE FOR LEADING THE NAMES COMMUNITY PROPOSAL, THE ICG AS THE COORDINATING GROUP AND THE ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY WORKING GROUP THAT WAS GOING TO PUT TOGETHER A PROPOSAL TO ENHANCE ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY. WE HAVE ALREADY DELIVERED THE PROPOSAL TO OUR CHARTERING ORGANIZATIONS AND OUR CONSULTING COMMUNITIES FOR APPROVAL AND THESE WILL BE SENT TO THE ICANN BOARD SO THAT THEY, IN TURN, CAN TRANSFER THESE PROPOSALS TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, TO THE NTIA FOR ITS APPROVAL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

TO ORGANIZE OUR WORK, WE DECIDED TO DIVIDE THE TASKS INTO TWO WORK STREAMS. THE GOAL WAS CLEAR. WE WANTED TO PUT TOGETHER A PROPOSAL THAT WOULD STRENGTHEN ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM FOR ALL STAKEHOLDERS. THIS WAS ALT THE CORE OF OUR PROPOSAL. SO WE SPLIT THE WORK INTO TWO PHASES. THE FIRST ONE FOCUSING ON THE MECHANISMS AND STEPS

TENDING TO ENHANCE ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY BECAUSE THEY SHOULD BE PUT -- THEY SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED OR COMMITTED TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE TIME THE TRANSITION TOOK PLACE.

THE SECOND PHASE OR WORKSTREAM FOCUSED ON THOSE ISSUES THAT COULD TAKE LONGER AND COULD BE DISCUSSED AND DEVELOPED BEYOND THE TRANSITION DATE. WE HAVE CONCLUDED THE FIRST WORKSTREAM IN OUR GROUP AND WE ARE PLANNING THE SECOND WORKSTREAM FOR OUR JOB, FOR OUR WORK.

JUST TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE AMOUNT OF WORK INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS, I HAVE THIS SLIDE. WE HAVE HAD MORE THAN 200 PARTICIPANTS IN THIS EFFORT DISTRIBUTED FROM A GEOGRAPHICAL STANDPOINT QUITE EVENLY, ALTHOUGH WE STILL NEED TO IMPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA. WE HAD 111 OBSERVERS IN OUR MAILING LIST. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THIS BECAUSE THIS WORK WAS DONE 100% IN AN OPEN, INCLUSIVE AND PLURALISTIC WAY. YOU HAVE ALL THE RECORDS. EVERYBODY CAN ACCESS THOSE RECORDS. WE HAVE HAD MORE THAN 12,400 EMAILS EXCHANGED. MORE THAN 205 CALLS AND MEETINGS, AND MORE THAN 400 HOURS SPENT IN MEETINGS. IN TERMS OF VOLUNTARY HOURS, WE HAVE MORE -- WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF HOURS INVESTED IN THIS PROCESS. SO WE NEED TO UPLOAD THIS AS A COMMUNITY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THESE EFFORTS RESULTED IN A FINAL PROPOSAL BY OUR GROUP ON THE WORK STREAM 1 RECOMMENDATIONS, IT IS A 52-PAGE DOCUMENT WITH 15 ANNEXES THAT HAVE THE DETAILS OF EACH OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE. AND 11 APPENDICES THAT COLLECT ALL THE DOCUMENTATION, THE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTATION FOR THIS PROPOSAL. THE TRANSLATIONS FOR THIS DOCUMENT ARE ALREADY IN ARABIC, SPANISH, FRENCH, RUSSIAN, CHINESE, AND PORTUGUESE. SO WE INVITE YOU TO REFER TO THESE DOCUMENTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

AS OF TODAY WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE THREE OUT OF THE SIX CHARTERING ORGANIZATIONS APPROVAL FOR THIS PROPOSAL, ALAC, ASO AND SSAC AS THESE HAVE BEEN THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ALREADY APPROVED OUR PROPOSAL. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE RECEIVED A CONFIRMATION FROM CWG OF THE FACT THAT THE ACCOUNTABILITY DEPENDENCIES THAT THEY HAD IDENTIFIED IN THEIR OWN WORK HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF AND ADDRESSED AND THEY ARE DULY SAFEGUARDED IN OUR REPORT.

NOW I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO MY CO-CHAIR THOMAS RICKERT FOR THE NEXT PART OF THIS PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

>>THOMAS RICKERT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LEON. EXCELLENCIES, MINISTERS, HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES, DISTINGUISHED COLLEAGUES, I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU A VERY HIGH-LEVEL OVERVIEW OF WHAT WE HAVE INCLUDED IN OUR REPORT. AND WHEN WE STARTED THIS EXERCISE, WE WERE LOOKING AT GOVERNANCE MODELS THAT COULD BE USED TO PROVIDE FOR ADEQUATE CHECKS AND BALANCES FOR ICANN. AND YOU WILL BE GLAD TO HEAR THAT THE MODEL THAT WE FOUND AND THAT WE BUILD ON IS A MODEL THAT'S BEEN DEPLOYED BY GOVERNMENTS, BY STATES FOR CENTURIES AND THAT IS TO HAVE FOUR COMPONENT PARTS, WHAT YOU SEE ON THE SCREEN IN FRONT OF YOU, AND THOSE ARE THE CONSTITUTION WHICH ARE THE BYLAWS, THE PRINCIPLES

UPON WHICH ICANN WOULD OPERATE, AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY WHICH IS THE INDEPENDENT APPEALS AND REVIEW MECHANISM. IT IS THE ICANN BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHICH WOULD RESEMBLE THE EXECUTIVE IN A STATE MODEL AND THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY. AND THAT IS THE COMMUNITY THAT TAKES OVER THE AUTHORITY THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY AND STILL IS AT THE MOMENT WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT WHEN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT MADE ITS ANNOUNCEMENT IT INDICATED IT WOULD RELEASE ITS AUTHORITY OVER THE IANA FUNCTIONS AND THE QUESTION WAS, WHERE DO WE PUT THAT AUTHORITY? AND WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE BEST TO PLACE THIS AUTHORITY AT THE FINGERTIPS OF THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY, CONSISTING OF THE SEVEN COMMUNITIES WHICH WE FIND IN THE ICANN ENVIRONMENT. ONE OF WHICH IS THE GAC. SO WE WILL -- WE OFFER WITH OUR REPORT TO EMBED ALL THESE SEVEN COMMUNITIES IN THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY AND GIVE THEM ALL THE OPPORTUNITY TO -- TO CHIME IN WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING IMPORTANT DECISIONS FOR ICANN'S GOVERNING MODEL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THE FIRST COMPONENT IS ICANN'S CONSTITUTION, THE PRINCIPLES, THE BYLAWS. THERE WERE SOME CONCERNS THAT ICANN COULD MISSION CREEP INTO OTHER AREAS AND THEREFORE WE MADE CLEAR WHAT ICANN'S MISSION IS. AND THAT IS ACTUALLY A LIMITED MISSION AND WE HAD A FEW AREAS THAT ICANN SHOULD EXPLICITLY NOT DO AMONGST WHICH IS CONTENT REGULATION. WE'RE ALSO UPDATED THE DEFINITION ON ICANN'S ROLE IN DOMAIN NAMES, NUMBERING RESOURCES AND PROTOCOL PARAMETERS AND WE DID ONE THING AND THAT WAS INCLUDE THE AOC REVIEWS SUCH AS THE ATRT2 REVIEW THAT HAVE PROVEN TO BE VERY EFFICIENT IN ICANN CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVING INTO THE BYLAWS AND PERPETUATE THEM BY DOING SO.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST WE INCLUDED A COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH IS GOING TO -- GOING TO GO INTO THE BYLAWS. THERE WAS QUITE SOME DEBATE TO GET TO -- TO GET IT THUS FAR AND FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE WORKED ON IN WORK STREAM 2 WITH A FRAMEWORK OF INTERPRETATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IS GOING TO BE DEVELOPED. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THE INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY, THE INDEPENDENT APPEALS AND REVIEW MECHANISM, WILL BE REDESIGNED SO THAT THE IRP, AS WE CALL IT, IS NOT ONLY FOCUSED ON PROCEDURAL FLAWS THAT CAN BE IDENTIFIED BUT ACTUALLY THIS WOULD BE THE TEST WHETHER ICANN'S BOARD, WITH ITS RESOLUTIONS, HAS WORKED INSIDE OR OUTSIDE ICANN'S MISSION. WE'RE LOOKING FOR A STANDING PANEL THAT'S GOING TO BE RECRUITED AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL WITH EXPERTS TO HELP WITH DISPUTES AND WE'RE FOLLOWING DIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS AND OUT OF THE STANDING PANEL OF AT LEAST SEVEN PANELISTS, THREE WILL BE PICKED FOR DISPUTES AND THOSE DECISIONS WILL NOT ONLY LOOK AT PROCEDURAL ASPECTS BUT ACTUALLY ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CASE IN QUESTION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THE ICANN BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE ROLE OF THE ICANN BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS ALSO BEEN CLARIFIED AND WE THINK THAT IT'S BENEFICIAL FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE A CLEARER CONSTITUTIONAL CLEARER SET OF BYLAWS TO OPERATE UNDER. WE'VE ALSO CLARIFIED THE ROLE OF THE BOARD IN RESPONDING TO CONSENSUS GAC ADVICE AND WE'VE INCLUDED THE REVIEW OF SOs AND ACs ON THEIR ABILITY TO BE REVIEWED ON A

REGULAR BASIS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY, THAT'S THE CORE PIECE OF THE -- OF ENHANCING ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY BECAUSE THAT ALLOWS FOR THE COMMUNITY, THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY TO COME TOGETHER AND EXERCISE A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMMUNITY POWERS, WHAT YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU. AND THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE FELT THAT THESE POWERS ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR THE COMMUNITY TO SHAPE ICANN, TO HELP ICANN RECTIFY THINGS THAT ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE BYLAWS SO THAT ICANN CAN'T GO ROQUE. THAT ICANN IS SAFEGUARDED AGAINST RISKS THAT THE ORGANIZATION MIGHT FACE.

SO THESE COMMUNITY POWERS ARE TO REJECT THE BUDGET, STRATEGIC PLAN AND OPERATING PLAN SO WE WOULD GIVE THE COMMUNITY THE AUTHORITY OR THE POSSIBILITY TO CHIME IN WHEN IT COMES TO FINANCIALS IN PARTICULAR. THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY TO REJECT BYLAW CHANGES AFTER THE BOARD HAS TAKEN A RESOLUTION ON A PARTICULAR BYLAW CHANGE FOR WHAT WE CALL STANDARD BYLAWS. AND THEN WE HAVE ANOTHER SET OF BYLAWS WHICH WE CALL FUNDAMENTAL BYLAWS AND THOSE ARE THE BYLAWS THAT ARE ESSENTIAL TO ICANN'S OPERATION. THOSE WOULD INCLUDE THE MISSION AND CORE VALUES BUT ALSO THE EXISTENCE OF THE INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY. SO THE BOARD COULD NOT EASILY GET RID OF AN INDEPENDENT RE-REVIEW BY CHANGING THE BYLAWS. SO THAT'S THE ONLY AREA WHERE WE GIVE THE COMMUNITY THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE BYLAW CHANGES BEFORE THEY ARE BEING ENACTED. THEN THE COMMUNITY WILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO REMOVE INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORS OR THE ENTIRE BOARD. IT CAN LAUNCH INDEPENDENT REVIEW PROCESS SEES TO HAVE DETERMINED WHETHER OR NOT THE -- THE BOARD HAS ACTED IN VIOLATION OF THE BYLAWS AND THEN THERE'S A SEVENTH COMMUNITY POWER RELATE TO GO THE IANA FUNCTIONS.

THE COMMUNITY WILL COME TOGETHER TO EXERCISE THOSE COMMUNITIES POWERS, BUT OUR APPROACH WAS TO BE LEAST INVASIVE WHEN IT COMES TO ICANN'S DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS. SO IDEALLY YOU WILL NEVER SEE THESE COMMUNITY POWERS INVOKED AND THEREFORE WE'VE MADE WHAT WE CALL AN ENGAGEMENT PROCESS MANDATORY. THE ICANN BOARD ALREADY DOES ENGAGE WITH THE COMMUNITY ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, BUT WE BAKED THAT INTO THE BYLAWS, HOPING THAT A ROBUST ENGAGEMENT PROCESS BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND THE BOARD WILL LIMIT THE RISK OF FRICTION BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY'S WISHES AND THE BOARD'S ACTIONS. BUT IF THERE IS A MISUNDERSTANDING OR A DISPUTE OVER WHETHER OR NOT THE BOARD HAS, FOR EXAMPLE, SET UP THE BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMUNITY'S WISHES, THIS CAN UNDERGO AN ESCALATION PROCESS THAT HAS TO FOLLOW SEPARATE STAIRNLINGS AND ONLY IF THAT FAILS AND ONLY IF THE COMMUNITY REACHES A CERTAIN THRESHOLD TO ACT -- TO ENACT A COMMUNITY POWER AND IF THE BOARD WISHES TO NOT HONOR THAT DECISION THEN THERE COULD BE AN ESCALATION - - AN ENFORCEMENT PHASE OF A THIRD AREA IN THIS EEE MODEL. HOPEFULLY WE'LL NEVER SEE THIS ENACTED.

AND WITH THAT, I'M AT THE END OF MY LITTLE OVERVIEW OF THE PRESENTATION. I WILL LIKE TO CONCLUDE BY SAYING THAT IT IS -- THAT THE GAC IS BAKED INTO OUR

PROPOSAL AS A DECISIONAL PARTICIPANT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY. SO THE GAC HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE PART OF ALL THE COMMUNITY DELIBERATIONS. IT HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADVISE THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY --

>> I AM SORRY TO LET YOU KNOW THAT YOU HAVE TO SPEED UP A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE YOU ARE BEHIND YOUR TIME.

>>THOMAS RICKERT: ... WHEN IT COMES TO GAC ADVICE WHEN THE POWER FOR THE -- THE GAC TO BE A DECISIONAL PARTICIPANT IS EXCLUDED. BUT WE ARE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS ON THAT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO BRIEFLY HAND OVER TO MATHIEU.

>>MATHIEU WEILL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THOMAS. YOUR EXCELLENCY, DEAR MINISTERS AND AMBASSADORS AND MEMBERS OF THE GAC AND DEAR COLLEAGUES, I'M GOING TO BE VERY QUICK ON THE FEW SLIDES WE HAVE SO THAT WE CAN HEAR OUR COLLEAGUES AND I DON'T WANT TO TAKE TOO MUCH TIME. IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERLINE THAT OUR GROUP IS ONLY PART OF A LARGER WORK AND THAT WE THOUGHT IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE LINKED BETWEEN THE TWO PARTS OF THE WORK AND THE TWO BRANCHES WORKED TOGETHER. WHEN PARTIES TECHNICAL, THE IANA FUNCTIONS, AND THOMAS RICKERT JUST TALKED TO YOU ABOUT IT. WE HAVE TO -- VERY IMPORTANT TO WORK TOGETHER. IT'S (INAUDIBLE) CONDITION SO ALL OF THE COMMUNITY IS INTERESTED IN THE PROCESS AGREE. REGARDING THE TIMELINE, I'M NOT GOING TO SAY MUCH ABOUT THE TIMELINE. STEVE CROCKER TALKED ABOUT IT. WE HAVE AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT WEEK AHEAD OF US. AS A GROUP WE DID SUBMIT TO MOST ORGANIZATIONS THE CHARTER ORGANIZATION FINAL REPORT WHICH MUST BE RATIFIED BY EACH AND EVERY ORGANIZATION, THREE OUT OF SIX DID RATIFY THAT REPORT AND WE HOPE, INCLUDING THE GAC, THAT THOSE ORGANIZATIONS ARE GOING TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY AT THE LATEST RATIFY THOSE DECISIONS SO THAT ON THURSDAY, WHEN THE BOARD MEETS AT THE END OF THE DAY, SO THAT THE BOARD CAN TAKE THIS PROPOSAL AND TRANSMIT AND SEND IT TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SO THAT WE REALLY START OUR TRANSITION.

IT'S QUITE IMPORTANT TO UNDERLINE THAT OUR PROPOSALS ARE ONLY ONE STEP, ONE STEP IN THE LONG-TERM PROCESS, CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PROCESS TO ALWAYS IMPROVE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF ICANN. IT'S QUITE INTERESTING FOR GOVERNMENT'S DIVERSITY INSIDE ICANN FOR INSTANCE, HUMAN RIGHTS JURISDICTION ISSUES, THIS IS A PROCESS THAT IS GOING TO KEEP GOING. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT WEEK, ESSENTIAL WEEK, BUT IT'S GOING TO KEEP GOING.

I KNOW I HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME SO I'M GOING TO GO TO MY LAST SLIDE AND JUST TO TELL YOU THAT TWO THINGS THAT WE DO PROPOSE IS TO IMPROVE RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY TO HAVE SEPARATION OF POWERS, THAT'S WHAT THOMAS TALKED ABOUT, AND YOU HAVE TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE NEXT IMPROVEMENTS TO BE IMPLEMENTED, EVEN IF ALWAYS RESIST TO CHANGE AND TO CHANGE OUR STRUCTURE. THERE IS ALWAYS A RISK OF CAPTURE AND WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE IT DOESN'T HAPPEN. WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE ICANN BECOMES MORE AND MORE ACCOUNTABILITY AND MR. MINISTER, I WILL CONCLUDE HERE. THANK YOU VER

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BEING SHORT WITH 20

INTERVENTIONS AND SPEECHES, NOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CLOSE THE LIST AND LIMIT IT TO 20, AND TO THE THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. WE'RE GOING TO START WITH RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD, THE MINISTER FROM INDIA.

>> AJAY KUMAR: THANK YOU, MOULAY ELALAMY. I AM AJAY KUMAR AND I WILL BE MAKING THE PRESENTATION. LET ME EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF WHO HAVE SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS WITH INCREDIBLE DETERMINATION AND DEDICATION TO DEVELOP THE PROPOSALS FOR THE IANA STEWARDSHIP TRANSITION AND ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY.

IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, INTERNET COMMUNITY HAS WORKED HARD AND ROUND-THE-CLOCK TO BRING US TO THIS HISTORICAL MOMENT IN TIME IN THIS BEAUTIFUL CITY OF MARRAKECH TO ARRANGE THE FINAL PIECES OF THE PUZZLE. BASED ON THE INCREDIBLE WORK DONE NOT ONLY BY THE CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY MEMBERS AND THE PARTICIPANTS, BUT ALSO THE ICANN STAFF, WE HAVE FINALLY ARRIVED AT A STAGE WHERE WE CAN ALMOST BE READY TO HAND OVER THE IANA STEWARDSHIP TRANSITION OUTCOMES TO THE ICANN BOARD.

WE SHOULD NOT LOSE STEAM, AND SINCE WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO. IN THIS REGARD, I WISH TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW POINTS AS WE GO FORWARD WITH WORK STREAM 2 OF ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY PROCESS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE ALL AGREE HERE THAT THE CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY WORK STREAM 2 HAS TO DEAL WITH KEY ISSUES WHICH ARE CRUCIAL IN IMPLEMENTING THE IANA STEWARDSHIP TRANSITION. THE ISSUES IN THE WORK STREAM 2, SUCH AS ENSURING A HIGHER STANDARD OF DIVERSITY WITHIN ICANN, MAKING SOs AND ACs MORE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES, INCREASING TRANSPARENCY BY FURTHER IMPROVING ICANN'S EXISTING DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE POLICY, AND THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE JURISDICTION QUESTION ARE DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THE WORK ALREADY DONE BY CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY WORK STREAM.

I HOPE WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT WE NOT ONLY BRING MORE DIVERSE STAKEHOLDERS TO ICANN BUT ALSO ACTIVELY SEEK ENGAGEMENT FROM THEM ON IMPORTANT ISSUES.

I UNDERSTAND THAT CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY WORK STREAM 2 WILL BE COVERING SPECIFIC ISSUES OF DIVERSITY AT VARIOUS LEVELS OF ICANN, AND WE MAKE PROGRESS ON WORK STREAM 2. WE SHOULD AIM TO MAKE SURE THAT STAKEHOLDERS FROM EMERGING ECONOMIES ALSO GET A FAIR CHANCE TO EXPRESS AND REPRESENT.

LET ME MAKE ONE FINAL POINT, MR. CHAIR. THE GOVERNMENTS IN THE NEW ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK HAVE OBVIOUSLY BEEN SUBJECT OF MUCH CONTENTION. TO MIND, IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER THE GAC'S SPECIFIC ROLE WITHIN ICANN FRAMEWORK IS TO ADVISE ON PUBLIC-POLICY ISSUES. THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT PUBLIC-POLICY ISSUES WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE IN PROMINENCE IN THE CONTEXT OF INTERNET AND EVEN WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ICANN SPECIFIC --

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: PLEASE CONCLUDE, SIR.

>> AJAY KUMAR:.....

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THEIR WONDERFUL WORK WITH RESPECT TO CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
MS. KELLY GILLIS FROM CANADA.

>>KELLY GILLIS: ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMMENSE EFFORTS OF THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY THAT HAS BROUGHT US HERE TODAY. THIS IS A TESTAMENT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. CANADA IS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF AN OPEN INTERNET, GOVERNED BY THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. THIS MODEL IS BASED ON PRIVATE SECTOR LEADERSHIP, BOTTOM-UP POLICY DEVELOPMENT, AND IT IS WHAT HAS ENABLED THE INTERNET TO DEVELOP INTO AN UNPRECEDENTED PLATFORM FOR INNOVATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND KNOWLEDGE-BASED ECONOMIES.

CANADA SUPPORTS THE OPEN, INCLUSIVE, CONSENSUS-BASED PROCESS BY WHICH THE ACCOUNTABILITY PROPOSAL WAS DEVELOPED. THE PROPOSAL PRESERVES GAC'S PROMINENT ROLE AT ICANN TO PROVIDE HIGH-LEVEL PUBLIC-POLICY ADVICE TO THE ICANN BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND RECOGNIZES THE VALUE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ATTRIBUTES TO RECEIVING THIS CONSENSUS-BASED GAC ADVICE.

THE PROPOSAL ALSO PROVIDES TUPTS FOR GAC TO ENGAGE EVEN MORE FULLY WITH THE ICANN COMMUNITY, STRENGTHENING THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. THE STEWARDSHIP TRANSITION PRESENTS AN IMMENSE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THE FURTHER GLOBALIZATION OF INTERNET TECHNICAL ORGANIZATIONS. CANADA SUPPORTS THE ACCOUNTABILITY PROPOSAL MOVING FORWARD TO ALLOW THE TRANSITION TO TAKE ITS COURSE.

THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
MR. CONNY WAHLSTROM FROM SWEDEN.

>>CONNY WAHLSTROM: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

AS HEARD TODAY, IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THE INTERNET COMMUNITY WILL BE HANDING OVER OUR COLLECTIVE PROPOSAL TO THE U.S.A. AND THE NTIA. IT IS A PROPOSAL WE CAN BE PROUD OF, WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT IS THE BALANCING OF THE LEGITIMATE INTEREST IN THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL.

WITH THIS PROPOSAL, NO SINGLE GROUP HAS INCREASED THEIR ROLE OR CAN GAIN MORE INFLUENCE AT THE EXPENSE OF ANY OTHER. NO ONE HAS LOST INFLUENCE. WE HAVE -- WHAT YOU HAVE DONE WILL MAKE THE QUALITY OF HOW WE GOVERN INTERNET NAMES AND NUMBERS MUCH STRONGER. FOR ALL OF US, IMPLEMENTING THE TRANSITION WILL MEAN A NEW SITUATION. WE WILL NEED HOW TO LEARN HOW TO BEST MAKE USE OF IT WORKING TOGETHER, BECAUSE JUST AS I MENTIONED IN THE LAST SESSION, THIS IS NOT THE END OF CHANGE.

THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
MR. YASUO SAKAMOTO FROM JAPAN.

>>YASUO SAKAMOTO: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

FIRSTLY, JAPAN RECOGNIZE THAT THE FRAMEWORK FOR ENHANCING ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY WILL PLAY A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE IANA

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FUNCTION AFTER THE TRANSITION, AND WE ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS FRAMEWORK. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT BOARD FULFILL ITS ACCOUNTABILITY AND BUILD A MUTUAL TRUSTED RELATIONSHIP WITH RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES.

SECONDLY, GAC SHOULD CONTINUE TO ENGAGE ITSELF IN THE ACTIVITY OF ICANN AS A MEMBER OF MULTISTAKEHOLDERS AND MAINTAIN THEIR ROLE AS CURRENT ADVISOR TO BOARD.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET HAS BEEN OWING TO THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER APPROACH IN ICANN AND FREE FLOW OF INFORMATION ACROSS BORDERS. IT IS NOT WISE TO LET GOVERNMENT STRICTLY REGULATE THE INTERNET. THIS IDEA IS ALSO APPLICABLE TO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ICANN AND GAC.

THE BALANCE AMONG COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING GAC, SHOULD BE MAINTAINED AFTER TRANSITION.

LASTLY, WE WELCOME GAC PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED EMPOWERED COMMUNITY BECAUSE GAC CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE ACTIVITY OF THE COMMUNITY ON ISSUES OF PUBLIC POLICY. WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT IN THIS MEETING IS THAT GAC, BOARD AND OTHER COMMUNITIES WILL MUTUALLY UNDERSTAND AND AS A RESULT SEND A POSITIVE MESSAGE TO THE WORLD.

PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD ARE FOCUSING ON THE CONCRETE OUTCOMES OF THE MATURED MULTISTAKEHOLDER APPROACH ON THE BASIS OF THE MUTUAL TRUST, LET US CREATE THE NEW HISTORICAL FRAMEWORK IN COMING DAYS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KIND ATTENTION.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MR. RACHID ISMAILOV FROM RUSSIA.

>>RACHID ISMAILOV: I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS NOT THE ICANN BUT THE LEADERSHIP.

ALL THE INTERNET GOVERNANCE IN THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL WAS DEFINED DURING THE WORLD FORUM IN TUNISIA AND WE DON'T NEED TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHICH ONES OF THE STAKEHOLDERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC POLICIES IN THE INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT. ALL THIS WAS REAFFIRMED BY IN THE NEGOTIATIONS OF WSIS+10 WHICH WAS ENDED DURING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE U.N. ON THE GENERAL REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS WIO. THIS WAS IN NEW YORK IN 2015. AND HERE IN ICANN, IN THIS FORUM, WE STILL CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE ROLE OF THE GOVERNMENTS.

I BELIEVE THAT THAT IS CAUSED BY THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO RETHINK THE EXCLUSIVELY CONSULTATIVE ROLE OF THE GOVERNMENTS IN ICANN. WHILE THE OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ARE PARTICIPATING IN DEVELOPING POLICIES, THEY'RE PARTICIPATING IN THE COMMITTEES THAT MAKE DECISIONS ON NOMINATING CANDIDATES AMONG ICANN LEADERSHIP, THEY ELECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE BOARD, THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE ON THE BOARD, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENT DO NOT HAVE THIS RIGHT IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE ICANN AS A CORPORATION. SO WE THINK IT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO LIMIT THE ABILITY AND THE CONTRIBUTION THAT THE GOVERNMENTS CAN MAKE IN THE PARTICIPATION IN THE DISCUSSIONS AND IN THE MECHANISMS OF EMPOWERMENT OF COMMUNITIES AND TO CONNECT THE ACTIONS -- OR LIMIT THE ACTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT BY ONE RULE, WHICH IS MEANS MAKING

DECISIONS ON THE BASIS OF CONSENSUS, ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THE VERY SERIOUS AND AMBIGUOUS ISSUES OF CONSIDERING VARIOUS POINTS OF VIEW.

I AM SAYING THIS SO THAT TO CONVEY TO YOU THAT IGNORING THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS AND INSUFFICIENT INVOLVEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENTS IN THE INTERNET GOVERNANCE IS RELATED TO THE RISK OF BRINGING IN THE VALUES THAT ARE NOT REALLY IN MULTISTAKEHOLDER INTEREST BUT MORE OF CORPORATE INTEREST.

SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

PROFESSOR PAULO FERRAO FROM PORTUGAL NOW.

>>PAULO FERRAO: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. ELALAMY. DIGITAL ECONOMY OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO, MR. CHAIR OF THE ICANN BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MR. CEO AND PRESIDENT OF ICANN, MR. CHAIR OF THE GAC, DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I WILL START MY SPEECH IN ENGLISH AND I WILL FINISH IT IN PORTUGUESE. FIRST OF ALL, ALLOW ME TO HONOR THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO, OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS ON A VERY SPECIAL THANKS FOR HOSTING THIS OUTSTANDING MEETING. WE ALL KNOW THAT COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES HAVE HAD A MASSIVE IMPACT ON TECHNOLOGIES, SOCIETIES AT WORLDWIDE LEVEL. THE NEW ICT'S CHALLENGE AND EMERGING TRENDS AHEAD THAT WE ARE COURAGE FACING SUCH AS CLOUD COMPUTING, BIG DATA, MACHINE-TO-MACHINE SYSTEMS OR HUMAN-MACHINE INTERACTION WILL HAVE A DEEP IMPACT ON INDUSTRY, SOCIETY, ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESS AND ON PEOPLE'S (INDISCERNIBLE).

CONSEQUENTLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE INTERNET AS A SECURE, RELIABLE, ROBUST AND NOT FRAGMENTED NETWORK SUPPORTIVE OF CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. IT IS THE WORLD WIDE WEB WORLD WIDE WEB HAS BEEN DEVELOPING ONE OF THE MOST NATIONAL LABORATORIES, CERN, WITH OPEN ACCESS ALL OVER THE WORLD. ALSO FOR THAT REASON FOR QUITE SOME TIME PORTUGAL HAS BEEN ADVOCATING ICANN'S ROLE. MULTISTAKEHOLDER COOPERATION HAS SHOWN POSITIVE BENEFITS CONTRIBUTING TO BEST PRACTICES, KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER, CAPACITY BUILDING AND COMMON UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN AND AMONG STAKEHOLDERS AND BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING REGIONS. THE.

I WILL NOW TURN TO PORTUGUESE, ONE OF THE MOST SPOKEN LANGUAGE IN THE INTERNET.

DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOVERNMENTS ARE THE ONLY ONES THAT CAN PRESERVE PUBLIC INTEREST IN GENERAL AND CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR ACADEMIC AND TECHNICAL COMMUNITIES, THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND THE CIVIL SOCIETY TO DEVELOP IN THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY THEIR ROLE IN INTERNET GOVERNANCE. CAPABILITIES ARE QUITE DISRUPTIVE, AND THEY WILL BECOME MORE EFFICIENT THE MORE BENEFIT WE HAVE FOR KNOWLEDGE, THE ROLE OF DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED GOVERNMENTS IS INCOMPARABLE BECAUSE THEY HAVE SINGLE CHARACTERISTICS. THEY OPEN THIS TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND THEY CAN ALSO INCLUDE THE PROPOSALS OF DIFFERENT DISARLDZ AS STAKEHOLDERS IN AS A KEY ELEMENT IN PROCESSES. THEIR CHARACTERISTICS THEREFORE NEED TO BE ADDRESSED AS STRENGTHS AND NOT AS WEAKNESSES AS PART OF THE INTERNET

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GOVERNANCE SYSTEM.

PORTUGAL, AND ALL THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNITIES, ALL OVER THE CONTINENT CAN HAVE CLOSER CONTACT, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THIS SHOULD BE ENABLED.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL THE EFFORTS YOU ARE MAKING TO ENHANCE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY.

THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: FRANK CARRUET.

>>FRANK CARRUET: ---

AS A VICE MINISTER FOR COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND DIGITAL ECONOMY. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST START WITH A QUOTE. WHAT IS DIFFICULT CAN BE DONE NOW. WHAT IS IMPOSSIBLE TAKES A LITTLE BIT LONGER. THIS IS GEORGE S.

PESSIMISTIC PEOPLE DO NOT NECESSARILY BELIEVE THAT WE CAN AGREE ON THE FUTURE OF ACCOUNTABILITY, ON THE FUTURE OF A NEW ICANN. SO IN THE WORST SITUATION, WORST-CASE SCENARIO SIMPLY MEANS THAT WE NEED A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME. THIS INTERNET GOVERNANCE IS A LONG-TERM PROJECT, BUT WE ARE VERY CLOSE AT THIS POINT. AND NOW WE ARE DEPENDENT UPON A WORLD CONSENSUS, AN INTERNATIONAL CONSENSUS ON THE CCWG RECOMMENDATIONS. THE WORK THAT WE NEED TO DO IS HUGE, AND WE NEED TO FIRST CONGRATULATE THE ONES WHO HAVE GOT US TO THIS POINT.

THE CHALLENGE IS ENORMOUS.

WHAT WE ARE NOW DISCUSSING IS THE PLACE OF GOVERNMENTS WITHIN ICANN. THE CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY PLANS TO STAY WITHIN ICANN IN ASSEMBLY WITHIN THE ICG THAT TAKES CARE OF TOPICS HAVING TO DO WITH LAWS AND POLITICAL CHALLENGES. THE IDEA IS TO ADVISE ON CERTAIN TOPICS.

I BELIEVE THAT THE FUTURE IS POSITIVE. THE FUTURE ICANN SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE ADVICE OF GOVERNMENTS WHEN IT HAS TO DO WITH PUBLIC POLICIES AND RECOGNIZE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENTS ON THAT POINT. THOSE PRINCIPLES ARE EXPLAINED IN THE FUNDAMENTAL BYLAWS.

IN THE DETAILS AND IN PRACTICE, THE GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES WITHIN ICANN NEED TO BE STRENGTHENED. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR DIFFERENT STATES TO HAVE AT THEIR AVAILABILITY THE MEANS TO BE ACCOUNTABLE AND TO DEFEND THEIR SOCIETIES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE FUTURE ICANN.

I BELIEVE THAT IT IS WHAT WE ARE AIMING FOR WITHIN THE WORK OF WHAT WAS DONE AT THE CCWG. THE BOARD NEEDS TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THAT POINT. AND ALSO, ICANN SHOULD NOT BECOME A GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION. ON CERTAIN POINTS, THE COMMUNITY IS STILL SEARCHING FOR A COMPROMISE THAT WOULD ALLOW IT TO HAVE GLOBAL CONSENSUS.

I BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE AT OUR AVAILABILITY THE MEANS TO NEGOTIATE ON THAT, AND I WOULD LIKE, IN THE NAME OF THE BELGIUM GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS FOR THE ICANN, MY BEST WISHES. I WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE YOU WITH MY BEST WISHES.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MR. DAVID MARTINON, AMBASSADOR FOR CYBERDIPLOMACY AND FROM FRANCE.

>>DAVID MARTINON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MINISTER. I WILL START BY TELLING

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YOU FRANCE TRULY SHARES THE BELIEFS YOU HAVE EXPRESSED THIS MORNING IN YOUR OPENING SPEECH AND I WOULD LIKE, IN THE NAME OF FRANCE, TO THANK THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO AND THE KING HIMSELF TO HAVE WELCOMED US IN MOROCCO. THIS MEETING IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND IT IS VERY GOOD THAT IT HAPPENS IN AFRICA.

ALSO, YOU GIVE US THE MAGIC OF MARRAKECH, WHICH IS A GREAT BONUS.

I WOULD LIKE TO JUST GIVE YOU ONE CITIZENS TO RECOGNIZE THE WORK OF FADI. FADI, I'M LOOKING RIGHT AT YOU, AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT I WILL REGRET -- I WILL MISS YOU, ACTUALLY.

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU IS THAT THE HISTORY OF INTERNET IS SUCH THAT THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DNS WAS DONE BY THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. IT WAS PRODUCTIVE. IT WAS EFFECTIVE, AND IT ALSO GREATLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET, AND I BELIEVE WE NEED TO THANK THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT FOR THAT. BECAUSE THE INTERNET IS NOW GLOBAL, THE SITUATION IS NOW DIFFERENT AND THAT SITUATION CANNOT BE JUSTIFIED ANY LONGER. THAT IS WHY FRANCE HAS TAKEN THE POSITION THAT WE NEED TO INTERNATIONALIZE ICANN, AND THAT IS WHY I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SATISFACTION AS WELL AS MY HOPE, AS I HEAR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS TRANSITION, THAT IN MY OPINION IS INDISPENSABLE. AND IT IS PAIRED WITH THE MODERNIZATION OF THE MECHANISMS THAT ARE NOW THOSE OF ICANN.

THERE IS NO SURPRISE HERE. BECAUSE OF CERTAIN CONCERNS THAT WERE EXPRESSED, FRANCE IS DISAPPOINTED, AMONGST OTHERS, I BELIEVE, AFTER READING THE PROPOSAL, AND THAT HAS TO DO -- THE REVIEW PANEL, THAT IS A GOOD THING. BUT WHATEVER YOU MIGHT SAY, STATES ARE MARGINALIZED WITHIN THE ICANN SYSTEM BECAUSE THE REFORM PROPOSAL IMPOSES UPON THEM THEIR RULES FOR DECISION-MAKING, AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS SHOULD BE IMPROVED UPON.

ALSO, STATES ARE NOT RECOGNIZED AT THE SAME LEVEL OF OTHER STAKEHOLDERS WITHIN THE NEW APPEAL MECHANISMS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE COMMUNITY WHEN THERE ARE DECISIONS MADE BY THE BOARD THAT STATES DO NOT AGREE WITH. FACED WITH THIS RISK THAT.

>>SUE OWEN: DANGERS THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL, FRANCE STILL WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT WE HAD A MINORITY STATEMENT THAT HAS BEEN -- THAT WAS SIGNED BY SEVERAL, ABOUT 20 COUNTRIES, DOES NOT REALLY UNDERSTAND THE REFORM OR AGREE WITH IT, EVEN THOUGH WE DO WANT SUCCESS IN THIS TRANSITION AND WE DO WANT TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE OBJECTIVE OF DIVERSITY WITHIN ICANN. THAT IS A GOAL AGAINST SPECIAL INTERESTS.

AND SO ANY REFORM PROCESS MEANS THAT WE, AS FRANCE, WANT TO BE CONSTRUCTIVE. WE NEED TO GET TO A COMPROMISE, ESPECIALLY BY ACCEPTING THE COMPROMISE THAT WAS PROPOSED BY BRAZIL DURING THE DUBLIN MEETING, AND THAT COMPROMISE WHICH WAS CONSENSUAL WAS REJECTED. AND SO AS A CONCLUSION, I WOULD SAY, MR. MINISTER, THAT WE CAN'T PRETEND THAT WE ARE TRYING TO BUILD CONSENSUS BUT NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OBJECTIONS.

SO I DO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS AN ISSUE. I BELIEVE THAT HAS AN IMPACT ON THE

MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL THAT ICANN CLAIMS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SPEECH.

MR. FINN PETERSEN, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FROM THE DENMARK AUTHORITY.

>>FINN PETERSEN: ....

AND THANK YOU FOR ARRANGING THIS IMPORTANT MEETING. THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT TIME IN HISTORY OF THE INTERNET AND ITS GOVERNANCE. THE TRANSITION OF THE IANA FUNCTION HAVE BEEN CALLED FOR BY GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS FOR MANY YEARS.

DENMARK FULLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL ON THE TABLE, AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE TRANSITION TAKING PLACE LATER THIS YEAR.

WE WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND ALL THE HARD WORK RELATED TO THE TRANSITION AND THE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENT TO THE ICANN (INDISCERNIBLE) ACCOUNTABILITY CARRIED OUT BY THE COMMUNITY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR THREE MUST KA STEERS ON THE FRONT TABLING, LEON, MATHIEU, AND THOMAS FOR THE GREAT WORK.

[ APPLAUSE ]

IT HAS BEEN A CHALLENGING PROCESS, BUT THE COMMUNITY TOOK THE CHALLENGE AND MAKE IT REALITY. AND IT HAS BEEN VERY POSITIVE THAT SO MANY GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTATIVE HAVE PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN THIS IMPORTANT WORK.

GOVERNMENTS HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY WITH REGARD TO PUBLIC-POLICY ISSUES AND GENERAL POLITIC INTEREST. IT IS WHY THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF GOVERNMENTS TO HELP SOLVE PROBLEMS EFFECTIVELY TOGETHER WITH THE COMMUNITY AT AN EARLY STAGE IS ESSENTIALLY TO THE POST TRANSITION ICANN.

HOWEVER, ICANN IS A PRIVATE CORPORATION AND GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN DECISION WHICH ARE OF OPERATIONAL NATURE.

AS SUCH, THE GAC SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THEY ARE NOW A NEW AND SIGNIFICANT WAYS BY WHICH THE GAC WILL BE ABLE TO CARRY OUT ITS INFLUENCE IN THE FUTURE, AND IT'S UP TO US TO AGREE UPON THE MOST EFFECTIVE PROCEDURES FOR ENGAGING AND GIVING OUR ADVICE.

FOR EXAMPLE, THE PROPOSAL GIVE THE GAC INCREASED ROLE MANDATE TO PARTICIPATE AS AN ADVISORY CAPACITY, BOTH TOWARDS THE ICANN BOARD AND THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY.

IT IS NOW UP TO THE COMMUNITY INCLUDING GOVERNMENTS AND ICANN TO SHOW THAT IT IS, INDEED, MATURE AND ACCOUNTABLE AND TAKE UPON ITSELF THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE INTERNET CONTINUE TO BE AN OPEN, SECURE, STABLE, AND RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND RESOURCE FOR A GLOBAL GROWTH FOR EVERYBODY.

THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MELLE QI XIAOXIA FROM THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

>>MELLE QI XIAOXIA: THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE INTERNET COMMUNITY FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THIS IMPORTANT CONFERENCE IN ITS CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF ICANN. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR GREAT APPRECIATION TO

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MR. FADI CHEHADE FOR YOUR GREAT STRONG LEADERSHIP IN THE IANA STEWARDSHIP PROCESS. YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE.

I AM SPEAKING ON THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT IN THE INTERNET GOVERNANCE ECOSYSTEM IN GENERAL AND THE ICANN IN SPECIFIC. BASED ON THE EXPERIENCES OF CHINA. MR. (SAYING NAME), THE HEAD OF CHINESE DELEGATION, HAS IN THE FIRST SESSION PRESENTED TO YOU THE EXTRAORDINARY DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET IN CHINA. IF ONE WERE TO CONDENSE OUR 20 YEARS' EXPERIENCES IN ONE SENTENCE, IT WOULD BE THAT IT IS THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THAT PROVIDES BOTH THE DIRECTION AND THE IMPETUS FOR THE GROWTH OF THE INTERNET.

FUNDAMENTALLY, WITHOUT THE REFORM AND OPENING UP PIONEERED BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, THERE WOULD BE NO SUCH DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET IN CHINA.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, CHINA IS AN ACTIVE SUPPORTER OF THE REFORM OF A GLOBAL INTERNET GOVERNANCE ECOSYSTEM. IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR, THE CAC CYBERSPACE ADMINISTRATION OF CHINA HOSTED THE SECOND WORLD INTERNET CONFERENCE WITH THE SAME INTERCONNECTED WORLD SHARED BY ALL, BUILDING A COMMON COMMUNITY OF COMMON FUTURE. IN HIS OPENING SPEECH, PRESIDENT PUT FORWARD FOUR PRINCIPLES; NAMELY, RESPECT FOR CYBER SOVEREIGNTY, PROMOTION OF OPENNESS AND COOPERATION, CULTIVATION OF GOOD ORDER. AND FIVE PROPOSALS. THESE FOUR PRINCIPLES AND THE FIVE PROPOSALS PROVIDE US A (INDISCERNIBLE) COUNT OF THE THINKING AND POSITIONS OF CHINA FOR THE GOVERNANCE OF THE INTERNET. WE HAVE SOME COPIES OF HIS SPEECH WITH MY COLLEAGUES IN THE BACK OF THE ROOM.

CURRENTLY, THE GLOBAL INTERNET GOVERNANCE HAS ENTERED AN IMPORTANT STAGE. THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT IS OF THE VIEW THAT THE GLOBAL INTERNET COMMUNITY SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT THE GOVERNMENTS, ESPECIALLY GOVERNMENTS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ARE INDISPENSABLE IN LEADING THE PROGRESS OF THE COUNTRIES AND SOCIETIES. ICANN WOULD BE WELL SERVED WHEN THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND ADVICE OF GAC ARE DULY NOTED AND THE ROLE OF GAC IS STRENGTHENED. LASTLY, ON BEHALF OF CAC, CYBERSPACE ADMINISTRATION OF CHINA, WOULD I LIKE TO INVITE YOU ALL TO THE THIRD WORLD INTERNET CONFERENCE WHICH WILL BE HELD IN AUTUMN THIS YEAR IN (CITY NAME) CHINA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO AMBASSADOR.

>>DIRK VAN EECKHOUT: FROM THE KENT CRISPIN. D

>>DIRK VAN EECKHOUT: PRESIDENT, I SPEAK WHERE I AM THE COORDINATOR FOR THE INFORMATION SOCIETY. CRIP OF EUROPE IS A BENCHMARK FOR RULES OF LAW. AS AN OBSERVER IN ICANN AND IN GAC WE WOULD LIKE TO UNDERLINE THAT THE RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AS A HUMAN RIGHT IS A PUBLIC POLICY ISSUE WHICH NEEDS TO BE SAFEGUARDED. IT IS THE POSITION OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE OF ITS 47 MEMBER STATES THAT FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION APPLIES TO THE DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM AND THAT STATES MUST ENSURE THAT RESTRICTIONS APPLIED TO THE DOMAIN NAMES MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF LEGITIMACY, NECESSITY, AND PROPORTIONALITY OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW. THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE HAS CONTRIBUTED

WITH EXPERT OPINIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS, IMPLICATIONS OF ICANN DECISIONS. THE ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE GAC WITH ITS INPUTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS. COUNCIL OF EUROPE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE GAC AND ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THE CONTEXT OF THEIR SAFEGUARDS ADVICE ON NEW gTLDs TO INCLUDE SAFEGUARDS FOR FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION.

AND AT LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, WE'D INVITE THE GAC TO MAINSTREAM FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN GAC WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. GEERT MOELKER, THE NETHERLANDS.

>> GEERT MOELKER: THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE FLOOR. FIRST LET ME CONGRATULATE THE WHOLE INTERNET COMMUNITY FOR FINALIZING THIS TREMENDOUS WORK AND FINALIZING THE ACCOUNTABILITY PROPOSAL. IT WAS WELL-EXPLAINED BY THE THREE CO-CHAIRS. IF WE AGREE ON THIS PROPOSAL, WE HAVE NOW A COMPLETE SET OF MEASURES FOR THE TRANSITION OF THE STEWARDSHIP. IANA FUNCTIONS. AND THIS WILL MARK AN HISTORIC MOMENT. IT HAS NOT BEEN EASY. IT NEEDED INTENSE COOPERATION AND ALMOST TWO YEARS OF NEGOTIATION.

THE FIRST STEP GETTING TO A COMMON AND SHARED UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS THAT HAD TO BE RESOLVED WAS ALREADY A COMPLICATED EFFORT.

BUT THE SECOND STEP, DEVISING SOLUTIONS AND MECHANISMS THAT WORK, WAS EQUALLY DIFFICULT. AND DURING THAT PROCESS, FLEXIBILITY AND WILLINGNESS TO COMPROMISE WAS A KEY FACTOR.

LET ME EXPLAIN THIS. WE ARE WORKING IN A MULTISTAKEHOLDER ORGANIZATION AND NEW MECHANISMS SHOULD NOT ONLY BE PRACTICAL BUT ALSO SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTABLE. BUT THEY SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE TO BE ACCEPTABLE FOR THE DIVERSITY OF THE STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVED.

THAT IS THE REASON THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF CONSENSUS, WHETHER FULL OR ROUGH, IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT CORNERSTONE OF THE COMPLEX MULTISTAKEHOLDER ENVIRONMENT.

PERHAPS THE OUTCOME DOES NOT FOLLOW EXACTLY ALL THE REQUISITES WE FORMULATED IN THE LAST COMMUNIQUE OF THE GAC IN DUBLIN. THEREFORE, IT MAY NOT BE OPTIMAL. BUT LOOKING AT IT FROM A HIGH LEVEL PERSPECTIVE, WE AS DUTCH GOVERNMENT SEE THAT THE MAIN PRINCIPLES WE ADHERE TO STILL KEEP FIRM. FIRSTLY, THE PROPOSAL WILL NOT GIVE UNDUE INFLUENCE TO A SINGLE OR SMALL SET OF STAKEHOLDERS IN A DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

FOR THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORKSTREAM THIS WAS A MAIN REQUIREMENT. AND WE EXPRESSED THIS EARLIER. SECONDLY, THE ROLE OF THE GAC REMAINS ADVISORY BUT WILL EXTEND TO ALSO THE NEW ACCOUNTABILITY LAST RESORT MECHANISMS. WE THINK THIS IS NEEDED BECAUSE A DECISION MADE CAN HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON THE PUBLIC INTERESTS. AND POTENTIALLY THE CONTINUITY AND STABILITY OF THE INTERNET.

THIRDLY, AND FINALLY, GAC'S ADVICE WHEN TAKEN IN FULL CONSENSUS WILL HAVE

MORE WEIGHT AND CANNOT BE REJECTED BY THE BOARD UNLESS WITH A 60% MAJORITY.

WE DO NOT THINK THIS WILL DIMINISH OR LIMIT GAC'S INFLUENCE. IN PRACTICE WE ALREADY WORK BY CONSENSUS AND THIS IS NOT WITHOUT A REASON. IT IS THE PREFERRED PRACTICE, ESPECIALLY IN A MULTISTAKEHOLDER SETTING AS I EXPLAINED EARLIER. SO CONCLUDING, THE PROPOSAL WE HAVE TO ADJUST THESE DAYS IS A BALANCED SET OF MECHANISMS. WE ALL SUPPORT THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. WE DEFEND THIS MODEL IN THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA. SO LET'S ALSO ACT IN THE SPIRIT OF THIS MODEL AND AGREE UPON IT. THIS WILL MARK AN HISTORIC MOMENT, A MOMENT WE CANNOT SLIP OUT OF OUR HANDS. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR.

>>PEDRAZA BARRIOS-RICARDO: COUNCIL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATION, COLOMBIA.

>>PEDRAZA BARRIOS-RICARDO: I'D LIKE TO SWITCH TO SPANISH, PLEASE. THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT APPRECIATES ICANN'S OPENNESS AND FLEXIBILITY BY INTRODUCING CHANGES IN ITS ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISMS AND IN ENHANCING THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE ORGANIZATION'S PROCESSES. THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT MECHANISM AND THE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MAY HAVE THIS TOTAL ENHANCEMENT OF ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE VIEW OF THE IANA STEWARDSHIP TRANSITION ARE A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION TOWARDS A NEW STRUCTURE OF ENGAGEMENT THAT WE HOPE WILL BE INCLUSIVE, BALANCED, AND RESPECTFUL OF DIFFERENCES AMONG THE MANY STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVED. WE GOVERNMENTS HAVE BEEN PROTAGONISTS OF INTERNET GOVERNANCE SINCE ITS INCEPTION AT THE GENEVA AND TUNIS SUMMITS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SUMMITS. THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER EXPERIENCES IN THE LAST YEARS HAVE BEEN A TESTAMENT OF THESE CONCRETE BENEFITS. AND AT THE TIME THEY HAVE BEEN A TESTAMENT OF THE NEED TO MAKE SOME ADJUSTMENTS IN TERMS OF THE OPERATION OF THIS MODEL. CONSEQUENTLY, WE BELIEVE THAT THE SPECIAL ROLE PLAYED BY GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE PRESERVED IN THE PRE AND POST IANA TRANSITION STAGES. BEING MINDFUL OF THE PUBLIC POLICY RESPONSIBILITY AND THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT WE HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH IN OUR CAPACITY AS GOVERNMENTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ADJUSTMENTS MADE TO THE PROPOSED ACCOUNTABILITY ENHANCEMENT MECHANISM. THERE ARE THOSE WHO CONSIDER THAT THESE ENHANCED GOVERNMENTS INFLUENCE AS THEY ENGAGE WITH ICANN AND WITHIN ICANN. AND THERE ARE OTHERS THAT THINK OTHERWISE. OUR GOVERNMENT HOPES THAT THIS CHANGE WITHIN ICANN'S ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISMS WILL MOVE FORWARD IN A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, FLEXIBILITY, AND TOLERANCE OF DIFFERENCES AMONG THE MANY MULTISTAKEHOLDER INVOLVED. FINALLY, THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT IS WILLING TO SUPPORT ANY INITIATIVE TOWARD THIS END IN THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY ENHANCEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS WILL CALL FOR FURTHER CONSENSUS. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FLOOR IS GIVEN TO DR.

SHAHOOSEINI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGIES FROM THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN.

>>SHAHOOSEINI: DELEGATES, HONORARY MINISTER. AS THE SENIOR ADVISOR OF IRAN'S TECHNOLOGY ORGANIZATION AND MEMBER OF IRAN DELEGATION AT ICANN, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO ADDRESS THE GAC HIGH-LEVEL MEETING HERE IN MARRAKECH. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK GOVERNMENT OF MOROCCO AND THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND DIGITAL ECONOMY FOR HOSTING THIS IMPORTANT EVENT AND THE WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK MR. FADI CHEHADE FOR HIS HARD WORK IN MANAGEMENT OF ICANN COMMUNITY IN PAST FOUR YEARS. IRAN IS ONE OF THE YOUNGEST POPULATIONS IN THE WORLD AND HIGHEST EDUCATED PEOPLE WITH ABOUT 20 YEARS OF ACCESS TO INTERNET. IT'S CONSIDERED AS AN EMERGING ECONOMY IN THE REGION. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT INTERNET REGULATION PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SUCH FAST-DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENT WITH EXPANSION OF NEXT-GENERATION OF NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE. DURING PAST DECADE SERVICES SUCH AS eBANKING, eHEALTH GOVERNMENT, eHEALTH SERVICES ARE EXPANDED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. IRAN HAS BEEN AND WILL REMAIN COMMITTED TO ALL VISION AND MISSION THAT CAN BRIGHTEN THE FUTURE OF CONNECTED WORLD. WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARD WORK OF CCWG, ICG, CWG RELATED TO TRANSITION OF IANA FUNCTION AND PREPARATION OF CCWG ACCOUNTABILITY SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION DRAFT AND IRAN HAS INVESTED CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TIME AND MANPOWER IN THIS PROCESS IN LAST 14 MONTHS. ALTHOUGH A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK IS DONE, HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT SOME FURTHER REFINEMENT MIGHT HAVE BEEN REMINDED TO BE ADDRESSED IN WORK STREAM 2. WE BELIEVE WE CAN REACH TO OPTIMAL RESOLUTION BY ENHANCING SYNERGY AND COOPERATION AMONG ALL CONCERNED PARTIES AND PRESERVING CIVILIAN RIGHTS OF STATES. WITH RESPECT TO THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN REGARD WITH INTERNET GOVERNANCE. THANK YOU ALL.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO AMBASSADOR BENEDICTO FONSECA FILHO FROM BRAZIL.

>>BENEDICTO FONSECA FILHO: THANK YOU, MR. MINISTER FOR -- IN OUR VIEW, THE PROPOSAL FALLS SHORT OF REFLECTING THE VISION CONVEYED BY THE WORLD SUMMIT ON INFORMATION SOCIETY. RECENTLY WE ARE INFORMED BY THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON THE 10 YEAR REVIEW OF THE WSIS OUTCOMES HELD LAST DECEMBER IN NEW YORK. IN THAT INTERNET GOVERNANCE SHOULD BE BASED ON THE FULL PARTICIPATION OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

IN THAT CONTEXT, ALTHOUGH THE PROPOSAL HAS MANY MERITS, SOME PORTIONS OF THE PROPOSED TEXT FOR RECOMMENDATIONS 1, 2, AND 11, LEAD US TO THE UNFORTUNATE DECISION OF NOT BEING ABLE TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL AS A WHOLE. TO DO OTHERWISE WOULD BE THE EQUIVALENT OF COULDN'T DINGING POSITIONS THE -- CONTRADICTING POSITIONS THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT HAS HELD CONSISTENTLY NOT ONLY IN THE CONTEXT OF THE TRANSITION ITSELF BUT ALSO IN OTHER INTERNET GOVERNANCE RELATED INTERNATIONAL FORA AND PROCESSES. SOMETIMES IN VERY

DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS IN THE WSIS+10 PROCESS LAST YEAR. IN ALL THOSE MEETINGS WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY DEFENDED THE VISION OF CONVEYED BY WSIS OF THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER APPROACH IN CONJUNCTION WITH DIFFERENT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. AND THE ABILITY OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS TO FULLY EXERT THEIR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. IN THAT LIGHT, I'D LIKE TO ALIGN OURSELVES WITH THE STATEMENT THAT WAS MADE BY AMBASSADOR DAVID MARTINON FROM FRANCE. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THEY ARE, HOWEVER, ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITHIN THE GAC IN ORDER TO FIND AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO DEAL WITH DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES IN A WAY THAT WOULD ADEQUATELY DOCUMENT THOSE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES AND THEREFORE, ALLOW THE GAC AS A WHOLE TO CONVEY ITS VIEWS ON THE CCWG PROPOSAL. BRAZIL INTENDS AS ALWAYS TO PARTICIPATE CONSTRUCTIVELY AND RESPONSIBLY IN THOSE DISCUSSIONS ALONGSIDE WITH ALL OF THE GOVERNMENTS. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: I'M GOING TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO MR. SYED IFTHIKAR H. SHAH FROM PAKISTAN.

>>SYED IFTHIKAR H. SHAH: THANK YOU, MINISTER. THIS IS THE MINISTER TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION PAKISTAN, THANK YOU MINISTER OF MOROCCO, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF ICANN, MR. FADI, CHAIR GAC THOMAS, HIGH EXCELLENCIES AND RESPECTED COLLEAGUES FROM OTHER STATES. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO ATTEND THE THIRD ICANN MEETING AND REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO FOR HOSTING THE THIRD ICANN HIGH-LEVEL MEETING WHICH IS TAKING PLACE SINCE THE MOMENT OF THE INTERNET GOVERNANCE AT THE WORLDWIDE LEVEL. THE GOVERNMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS A GAC IS BETWEEN ALL THE COUNTRIES AND IS INTENDED TO CONNECT ALL THE COUNTRIES ACROSS THE WORLD. AND GOVERNMENT -- AND THE GOVERNMENTS ARE PLAYING A CRITICAL ROLE FOR THE BETTER MANAGEMENT OF DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM. REALLY, THE ROLE OF THE GAC AND THE ICANN IS VERY IMPORTANT AND THE GOVERNMENT RELIES ON THE PLACE OF THE BENEFITS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITY. GAC WILL CONTINUE FOR BETTER MANAGEMENT. FOR THE STATE-OF-THE-ART INTERNET GOVERNANCE SYSTEM. PAKISTAN IS A MEMBER OF --- AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATES IN THE ICANN INITIATIVES. AND PARTICULARLY ON THE gTLDs, IDN ccTLDs AND THE LAST ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY MATTERS.

ICANN SAID THAT INTERNET HAS EARNED A WORLD IN THE GLOBAL VILLAGE WHERE PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRIES ARE WELL-CONNECTED. THERE ARE NO GEOGRAPHICAL COUNTRY WIDE BORDERS IN ONLINE INFORMATION FLOW BUT THERE ARE INDEED DOMAIN IN CYBERSPACE, WE HAD CHALLENGES. THERE IS A DIRE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER.

REGARDING THE IANA TRANSITION, I APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF ICG, ICANN BOARD, AND MR. FADI, CEO AND PRESIDENT OF ICANN ON THIS INITIATIVE.

BEING A MEMBER OF GAC, I BELIEVE THAT THE CURRENT SYSTEM WORKS WELL. IT'S FREE FROM OUTSIDE INFLUENCE. IT'S PURELY AN ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS AND THE CUSTOMERS OF THE IANA AND CUSTOMERS OF THE IANA OVERSIGHT HAS BEEN

GENERALLY PLEASED. REGARDING THE ICANN TRANSITIONS, I PROPOSE THAT IT WILL BE SUPPORT THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL AND SECURITY AND STABILITY AND RESILIENCY AND ALSO THE OPENNESS OF THE INTERNET. PAKISTAN ALSO APPRECIATES THE ICANN CCWG ON THE ACCOUNTABILITY IN THEIR WORK TOWARDS ENHANCING ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY AND PROPOSE THAT ICANN ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP MAY PROMOTE THE GOVERNMENT ROLE IN THE SUBJECT PROPOSAL TO SAFEGUARD A STRESS TEST AND ALSO REVIEW THE STATEMENT OF THE PROPOSAL. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO MR. AZHAR HASYIM FROM INDONESIA.

>>AZHAR HASYIM: ON BEHALF OF THE MINISTRY OF INDONESIA, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE PLOK AN GOVERNMENT FROM HOSTING THIS SESSION. I WOULD LIKE ALSO TO THANK MR. FADI FOR ALL THE SUCCESSFUL WORK TO BRING ICANN TO A GREAT AND IMPORTANT POSITION AS WE HAVE TODAY. IN ADDITION MR. FADI WAS ALSO FULL SUPPORT FOR THE IGF IN BALI. INDONESIA IS OF THE VIEW THAT THIS HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENTAL MEETING SHOULD SUPPORT THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER APPROACH. AND HENCE, THE TRANSFER OF IANA FROM ICANN TO NEW INDEPENDENT MULTISTAKEHOLDER ORGANIZATION. HOWEVER, AS WAS NOT YET DISCUSSED IN THE IGF IN BALI AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL MEETING LIKE ICANN HIGH-LEVEL MEETING IN LONDON, WSIS, ITU, AND NETmundial, ET CETERA, IN WHICH IT HAS THE VIEW THAT EVERY COUNTRY SHOULD BE ABLE TO OPERATE THE INTERNET UNDER NATIONAL LAW RESPECTED BY OTHER COUNTRY AND STAKEHOLDER. INDONESIA IS ALSO OF THE VIEW THAT WHILE E-COMMERCE, eGOVERNMENT, ETRANSACTION, ET CETERA, ARE PRIORITY AREAS AND IMPORTANT TO BE DEVELOPED, IT IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAT ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN TECHNICAL EXPERTISE ACCORDING TO THEIR CAPABILITIES. THE INTERNET SHOULD ENSURE THAT IT'S USEFUL PROSPERITY OF THE COUNTRY INCREASING THE ECONOMIC AND NOT ONLY INCREASING THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNET RELATED HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INCLUDING CONTENT. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE DEVELOPED SO THAT INTERNET RELATED TECHNOLOGY FROM TELECOMMUNICATIONS AS WELL AS APPLICATION AND CONTENT CAN BE DEVELOPED LOCALLY.

FINALLY, I HOPE THAT THIS ICANN 55 MEETING BACKED UP BY HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT MEETING INSTRUMENT CAN COME TO AGREEMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF INTERNET FOR DEVELOPMENT OF ALL COUNTRIES SOCIETY AND PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD LIKE TO NOW GIVE THE FLOOR TO STEFAN SCHNOOR WHO IS THE HEAD OF DELEGATION FROM GERMANY.

>>STEFAN SCHNORR: LET ME START BY THANK OUR HOST COUNTRY, THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO FOR EXCELLENT ORGANIZING THIS MEETING. IT TAKES PLACE AT A DECISIVE MOMENT AT ICANN WHEN ICANN'S COMMUNITY DECIDED ON THE TRANSITION OF IANA STEWARDSHIP TO A MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. AS PERHAPS MANY OF YOU, I AM REMINDED OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IN NEW YORK REVIEWING THE WORDS I MADE ON INFORMATION SOCIETY. I WOULD LIKE TO RECALL AND REAFFIRM THE COMMITMENT MADE BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT AT THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING. WE BELIEVE THAT RATHER THAN PERPETUATING FUNDAMENTAL DISCOURSES OF THE LAST TWO DECADES,

WE NOW NEED A SMART USE OF ICG ADEQUATE FOR EVERYBODY'S NEED. FROM GERMANY'S POINT OF VIEW, THE INTERNET SHOULD NEVER FACE THE RISK OF BEING CONTROLLED BY JUST ONE SET OF STAKEHOLDERS, BE IT BUSINESS, GOVERNMENTS OR ANY OTHER GROUPS. A MITIGATION BETWEEN DIFFERENT INTERESTS IS ALSO THE TASK GOVERNMENTS ARE MANDATED TO PERFORM.

SO THIS PROCESS OF ENGAGING IN MULTISTAKEHOLDER NEGOTIATIONS HAS POSED A CHALLENGE AND SOLVED A SOLUTION. THE CHALLENGE FOR GOVERNMENTS IS TO POSITION THEMSELVES AMONG STAKEHOLDERS WHILE ALSO SERVING AS THEIR REPRESENTATIVE. WE THINK THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENTS IS THAT TV MAKING SURE EVERYBODY CAN HAVE THEIR SAY AND WILL BE HEARD. THE LUTION TO THE CHALLENGE POSED BY THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL LIES IN THE MODEL ITSELF. AS LONG AS EVERYBODY CAN ADEQUATELY REPRESENT THEIR INTERESTS THERE NO NEED FOR GOVERNMENTS TO STEP IN OP THEIR BEHALF. FOR GERMANY IT IS PROVIDERS AND CREATORS IN THE INTERNET. THIS IS THE REASON WHY I GREATLY VALUE THE HARD WORK DONE BY THE CCWG. IT'S A REMARKABLE EXAMPLE OF THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL IN ACTION.

GERMANY CONSIDERS THE UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATIONS INITIATIVE OF TRANSFERRING THE STEWARDSHIP TO THE IANA FUNCTIONS AT ICANN TO BE AN IMPORTANT STEP. THIS TRANSITION CREATES OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STAKEHOLDERS TO PLAY AN ACTIVE PART. IN OUR VIEW, THE SUCCESS OF THIS UNDERTAKING DEPENDS ON CLOSE AND REGULAR COMMUNICATION WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WILL NOW GIVE THE FLOOR TO OLGA CAVALLI WHO REPRESENTS ARGENTINA.

>>OLGA CAVALLI: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WILL NOW SPEAK IN SPANISH. AUTHORITIES, DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES ARGENTINA THANKS THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO FOR MOSING THIS MEETING AND FOR THEIR KIND HOSPITALITY. ARGENTINA RECOGNIZE THE WORK DONE BY THE THREE CO-CHAZ AND ENTIRE ICANN COMMIT WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS FOR FADI CHEHADE FOR HIS DEDICATION AND HIS APPROACH TO OUR REGION. ARGENTINA PARTICIPATED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING IN THIS TRANSITION PROCESS EXCEPT THEY INITIALLY ESTABLISHED CONDITIONS BECAUSE WE FIRMLY BELIEVE IN AN OPEN, SECURE AND RESILIENT INTERNET BASED ON THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. AT THE SAME TIME WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT EVERY STAKEHOLDER SHOULD HAVE THE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE THE WAY IN WHICH IT MAKES DECISIONS. THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS IS RELEVANT IN THE PARTICIPATORY ICANN STRUCTURE AND THERE SHOULD BE NO LIMITATIONS FOR ITS PARTICIPATION WITHIN THE NEW ICANN FRAMEWORK. ARGENTINA HOPES THAT THIS TRANSITION WILL RESPECT THESE CONDITIONS THAT ARE THE CORE OF THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. OUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE RESTRICTIONS FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF GOVERNMENTS IN ICANN AFTER THE TRANSITION HAVE BEEN REFLECTED IN THE MINORITY STATEMENT PRESENT BY MYSELF ON BEHALF OF A GROUP OF COUNTRIES. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD NOW LIKE TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO MADAM MANAL ISMAIL WHO REPRESENTS EGYPT.

>>MANAL ISMAIL: THANK YOU, HONORABLE MINISTERS, DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES, IN THE NAME OF HIS EXCELLENCE MINISTER (SAYING NAME) AFTER REITERATING OUR THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS HOSTS THANKING ALL DELEGATES FOR THEIR VALUABLE REMARKS, CO-CHAIRS OF CCWG FOR THEIR REPRESENTATION AND TIELESS TIRELESS EFFORTS AND THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY FOR THEIR TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK. ALLOW ME TO SHARE WITH YOU A FEW POINTS FOR THE SAKE OF TODAY'S DISCUSSION. FIRST, EGYPT STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE VITAL ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS PRE AND POST IANA TRANSITION BEING AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY THAT BRINGS A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE OF PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES.

SECOND, WE SHOULD NOT UNDERMINE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GAC CONTINUING TO WORK THROUGH CONSENSUS, WHICH ALLOWS ALL GOVERNMENT'S VOICES TO BE HEARD AND CONSIDERED, GIVES MORE WEIGHT TO GAC ADVICE AND FACILITATES THE BOARD'S ROLE IN APPLYING GAC ADVICE. AT THE SAME TIME THE GAC SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO MAINTAIN ITS AUTONOMY, IN MAKING ITS OWN DECISIONS AND DECIDING ITS OWN WORKING METHODS. LASTLY AS AN ORCHERING PRINCIPLE, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF NEITHER OVEREMPOWERING UNDER EXCLUDING OR DIMINISHING THE ROLE OF ANY STAKEHOLDER GROUP. ICANN SHOULD REMAIN AN EXCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT WHERE ALL STAKEHOLDERS STAY INVITED AND WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN A BALANCED MULTISTAKEHOLDER SETUP WHERE ALL STAKEHOLDERS RESPECT EACH OTHER'S DIFFERENT WORKING METHODS, DIFFERENT VIEWS AND DIFFERENT INTERESTS AND STILL COME UP WITH A COMMON WAY FORWARD.

FINALLY, WE HOPE THE DETAILS WILL NOT DISTRACT US FROM THE OVER ALL GOAL OF TRANSITIONING THE IANA STEWARDSHIP ROLE TO THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY. AND HOPE THAT, AS WE IMPLEMENT THIS NEW MODEL, WE GIVE IT ENOUGH TIME, ALLOW IT TO EVOLVE AND FINE TUNE IT AS DEEMED NECESSARY, APPROPRIATE AND AS AGREED BY THE COMMUNITY

>> AT THE END I WOULD LIKE TO PUT ON RECORD EGYPT'S APPRECIATION AND THANKS TO FADI FOR EVERYTHING HE HAS DONE TO ICANN, THE COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS OUR REGION. SO FADI, YOU'LL BE MISSED AND WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST, THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ONE LAST SPEAKER, MRS. MILAGROS CONSIDER CASTANON WHO REPRESENTS PERU.

>> PERU, SPEAKING. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I REPRESENT PERU. A COUNTRY WITH 40 MILLION INHABITANTS. I DON'T REPRESENT ANY COMPANY.

THIS IS A SOVEREIGN, INDEPENDENT COUNTRY. IN LINE WITH THE COMMENTS MADE BY MY COLLEAGUES FROM FRANCE AND BRAZIL, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS PERU'S COMMITMENT TO THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL. BUT ALSO I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR DISAPPOINTMENT WITH A PROJECTS THAT INTENDS TO LIMIT THE ROLES OF GOVERNMENTS. EVEN MORE SO A PROJECT THAT IS CREATING THIS FIGURE OF REFEREE OR AN ARBITRATOR, A COUNTRY THAT HAS THE POWER TO VETO THE DECISIONS MADE BY EACH OF THE GAC MEMBERS. EACH GAC MEMBER ALSO REPRESENTS SEVERAL MILLIONS OF IN HABITANTS. SO AS THIS PROJECT ENTAILS SO MUCH EFFORT, I BELIEVE THAT EVERYTHING CAN BE IMPROVED. AND THIS PART OF THE PROJECT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO PERU. THANK YOU.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR INTERVENTION. I WOULD LIKE TO NOW GIVE THE FLOOR TO MR. THOMAS SCHNEIDER WHO IS PRESIDENT OF THE GAC SO THAT HE MIGHT GIVE US A LITTLE BIT OF A CONCLUSION NOW.

>>THOMAS SCHNEIDER: I JUST WANTED TO ASSURE YOU THAT AS YOU HAVE HEARD, WE STILL HAVE SOME DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS ON THE PROPOSAL IN PARTICULAR WITH REGARD TO THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS, HOW THAT SHOULD BE ORGANIZED. AND WHAT EXACTLY THAT SHOULD BE IN THE FUTURE OF ICANN, WHICH IS NOT AS ABSOLUTE SURPRISE. THERE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS ON THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS IN THE HISTORY.

I JUST WOULD LIKE TO REASSURE YOU THAT AS THE FACILITATOR OF GOVERNMENTS IN THIS ENVIRONMENT, I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT WE FIND A WAY TO EXPRESS OUR FINAL OPINION AS THE GAC AS A CHARTERING ORGANIZATION TO THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE CCWG IN A WAY THAT EVERYBODY SHOULD RECOGNIZE, EVERY MEMBER OF THE GAC SHOULD RECOGNIZE HIMSELF IN THIS FINAL OPINION THAT WE WILL GIVE. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOU TO NOT START WITH THE DIVERGING ELEMENTS OF OUR VIEWS BUT TO BUILD ON THE COMMON GROUND THAT WE DO HAVE. WE HAVE AGREEMENTS ON SOME ELEMENT AND TRY TO GO FROM THERE AND TRY TO BE AS FLEXIBLE AND PRAGMATIC AS WE CAN TO GO FOR AS MUCH CONSENSUS AS WE CAN WHILE MAYBE HIGHLIGHTING WHEREVER NECESSARY ELEMENTS WHERE WE MAY NOT HAVE SUPPORT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>MOULAY HAFID ELALAMY: THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO NOW GIVE THE FLOOR TO FADI FOR A FEW WORDS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH ALL OF YOU MINISTERS. AND I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO ALL OF THE DELEGATES WHO ARE PRESENT FOR ALL OF THE WORK THAT I HAVE WITNESSED. IT WAS GREAT WORK TO GET TO THE POINT WHERE WE ARE NOW.

I THINK THAT AS I LISTEN TO YOU ALL, AS THOMAS JUST SAID, I BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE A PATH AHEAD OF US. WE HAVE TWO DAYS TO ENGAGE ON THIS PATH. BUT WE NEED TO GET THERE. WE HAVE TO GET THERE.

WE ARE AT A VERY IMPORTANT MOMENT IN OUR HISTORY. AND THIS MOMENT WILL BECOME THE PAST. IT IS TRUE WE DO NOT ALL AGREE NECESSARILY. WE'RE NOT ALL ON THE SAME PAGE. BUT WE ARE WRITING THIS BOOK TOGETHER. AND WE WILL GET THERE TOGETHER.

SO LET US TRY TOMORROW AND THE NEXT DAY TO GET TO A CONSENSUS. YOU KNOW, THIS MOMENT WILL PASS. LET'S MAKE IT A GREAT MOMENT. THANK YOU