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Chuck Gomes - RySG
Cheryl Langdon-Orr – ALAC
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None

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Terri Agnew

Mary Wong: Can we start the recording? And, Terri, could you do the roll call?

Terri Agnew: Yes. (Rebecca), if you could start the recordings?

Coordinator: Thank you. Today's call is being recorded, if anyone has objections you may

                  disconnect at this time. You may now begin.

Terri Agnew: Thank you, (Rebecca). Good morning, good afternoon and good evening. This is the Cross Community Working Group Drafting Team call on Thursday the 13 of March, 2014.

On the call today we have Mikey O'Connor, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Alberto Soto, John Berard, Chuck Gomes, Chris - pardon me, that last person disconnected. We have no apologies.

From staff we have Mary Wong, Bart Boswinkel, Julie Hedlund and myself, Terri Agnew.

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.

John Berard: Thank you all. Good morning. This is John Berard for the recording. I'm wondering if the work that we had previously done and then codified in the revised charter, as distributed by the staff, thank you Mary, met the needs of each of us. And before we move into more specific agenda I'm just wondering is it likely that everybody on the call would endorse the charter as it exists?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: John. Cheryl here. I'm happy to support the charter. But I am concerned that you need to also put it in the Adobe Chat because people like Alberto are probably not back on the audio line yet.

John Berard: I see. Okay. Chuck, how are you on this?

Chuck Gomes: I'm good with it.

John Berard: Okay. Mikey, how are you with it?

Mikey O'Connor: I am too.

John Berard: And Alberto we're waiting to get back on the line.

Mikey O'Connor: Alberto is typing so if we hang on for a second I bet he gives us a word through the Chat. I think he can hear us on Chat even though his phone line dropped. Oh, he's not typing anymore.

John Berard: Is there anybody else...

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: ...want to give us a thumbs up or thumbs down in the Chat?

John Berard: Yeah. And did I miss anybody? Just - is it just we five?

Mikey O'Connor: It's just we five and, John, he's supporting the charter as well. Do you want of us who can see the Adobe room to run the meeting for you?

John Berard: Well I'm thinking that if everybody is okay with the charter then we've already run the meeting.

Chuck Gomes: Well, should we look at the motion?

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, Chuck and I would like to take a look at the motion and just...

John Berard: Okay.

Mikey O'Connor: ...give that an eye.

Mary Wong: John? John, this is Mary. So what we can do is obviously, you know, you've taken a very clear vote off the members who have - who are attending this call so obviously we can post a note to the working group to say that's been done and, you know, if anybody has any problems they should raise it.

John Berard: Right, speak now or forever hold their...

((Crosstalk))

Mary Wong: Exactly.

John Berard: I think that would be great.

Mary Wong: But in the meantime, yeah, I will upload the motion and see if you guys have any questions or...

John Berard: I have a paper copy of it in front of me so that I can participate to some degree.

Mary Wong: And for some reason I'm having trouble not sharing my screen anymore. Oh there we go. So if everybody would just give me one second.

Chuck Gomes: This is Chuck. While Mary's doing that, are we going to need a face to face in Singapore?

John Berard: This is John. We've got 15 minutes at 10:15 on Saturday morning at the GNSO weekend session.

Chuck Gomes: Yeah, that's just an update, right? But I was thinking...

John Berard: Yeah.

Chuck Gomes: ...of the meeting that's scheduled, I think, at 8:00 in the morning later in the week.

Mary Wong: There's a slot on the schedule but, you know, I just put a request in just to - just in case so it's really up to you folks if you want to...

John Berard: Well, you know, again this is John for the record. I think it's a good idea, Chuck, because I think once we have done our work as a drafting team I believe that we really need to become a bit of a recruiting, you know, a recruitment center for people to participate. And so we could use that slot as a way to generate some enthusiasm for participation.

Chuck Gomes: That's fine with me. I just wanted to ask the question because I didn't know if the slot is on there. And that's the way we had planned, Mary, so you did what we had expected so.

John Berard: Yeah, I think we should keep it...

((Crosstalk))

Mary Wong: It's always easier to cancel a meeting than to request one as I've found.

John Berard: Right. So let's keep it. And is the draft motion up on Adobe?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Not yet.

Mary Wong: I'm - yeah, I'm having trouble with the upload so I've actually sent a copy to Terri if she can - to see if she can help. But what I can do is...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Well perhaps you could just send it out to them. Mary, this is John. Could you just send it by email so everybody can open it up themselves? Can everybody do that?

Mary Wong: To everyone? Sure.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Well yes and no. I can and then I'll have to reconnect back through to the Adobe...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: ...mobile because Adobe doesn't port to Linux and Ubuntu anymore so I will switch through screens. It's just - it's clumsy but it can be done. But it does say upload in progress.

John Berard: All right well this is John again. There are four whereas, four whereas sections and three resolves. I could read them and we could discuss each of them.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah, maybe read it to the record one lump at a time?

John Berard: Sure. I'll read it one lump at a time. "Whereas, one, in March 2012 the GNSO Council approved a set of initial draft principles relating to the formation and operation of Cross Community Working Groups and directed ICANN staff to solicit feedback on the principles from other ICANN supporting organizations and advisory committees."

That's as true as it goes. "Number two, in June 2013 the ccNSO provided detailed feedback suggesting further clarifications and possible additions to the initial draft principles." Again, a factual statement.

Whereas number three, "In October 2013 the GNSO Council approved the formation of a drafting team to develop a charter for the new Cross Community Working Group to take forward and synthesize the initial work of the GNSO and the ccNSO feedback and develop a final framework of operating principles that can function effectively across all SO ACs relating to the formation, operation, decision making and termination of future Cross Community Working Groups."

Does that - again, it sounds factual to me. Anything strike anybody as odd there?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: That's fine, John.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: All right, then, four, "The drafting team co-chaired by the ccNSO and GNSO has now completed its work on a proposed draft charter for this new Cross Community Working Group."

So, "Resolve, one, the GNSO Council," now this is the one for me to submit to the GNSO Council. "The GNSO Council approves the charter and appoints, to be determined as the GNSO Council liaison to the Cross Community Working Group that will develop the final framework."

I would expect that others may want to perform this but if no one speaks I will fill the spot as - I will offer myself up as the liaison.

"The GNSO Council will coordinate next steps with the ccNSO Council to jointly issue a call for volunteers for the community - Cross Community Working Group."

And, again, this could be the focus of the 8 o'clock meeting in Singapore.

And, "Resolve three, until such time as the Cross Community Working Group selects its co-chairs for the working group and those co-chairs are confirmed by the respective councils the GNSO Council liaison to the Cross Community Working Group shall serve as the interim co-chair from the GNSO."

There's nothing really controversial. This is pretty much just the operational motion. But I wonder does it capture or should it seek also to capture the urgency and enthusiasm that we feel attached to the development of these guidelines? That's a question for the group.

Bart Boswinkel: John, this is Bart.

John Berard: Hello, Bart.

Bart Boswinkel: Hi. I have a bit of, say, a concern around the second part of the resolution. I think it's - I haven't checked it but I think we need to go back to what the proposed charter is. There is a set of, I would say - not rules but there is a mechanism in the charter to solicit volunteers.

John Berard: So you're now looking at Section 3, formation, staffing and organization?

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah.

John Berard: And which paragraph are you looking at?

Bart Boswinkel: No, I'm looking at the resolution. The question is whether it's - it depends a bit on how you interpret "coordinate." I think it's - if you look at it - and that's my recollection is that each of the SOs and ACs use their own rules so appoint members in accordance with their own rules.

John Berard: Right. So are you suggesting...

Mary Wong: John, this is Mary.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Let me just ask Bart a follow up. This is John. So you're suggesting that the Resolve Number 2 should be, "The GNSO Council will coordinate next steps with the ccNSO Council to jointly issue a call for volunteers for the Cross Community Working Group from other SOs and ACs according to their own rules."

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, something like that. That they seek volunteers according to their own rules because then you build in the mechanism to appoint say - I know from past experience that each SO and AC has different rules for appointing them so recognizing this in - because this will be more or less a joint motion for the ccNSO...

John Berard: Right.

Bart Boswinkel: ...and the GNSO.

John Berard: No that's a good point. Mary, can you make that adjustment?

Mary Wong: Yeah, I can do that and I'm going to put that in the part on the right just so everybody can see it. And what I was going to say was that, you know, I think this is a good suggestion by Bart because when this was initially drafted, you know, it wasn't clear that the ccNSO would consider the exactly same motion. But since then I've spoken with Bart and what he's suggesting certainly clarifies it.

I mean, as he also says it depends on how you interpret coordinate so it might argue that it's been subsumed but this is probably much clearer.

John Berard: Now my - again, this is John. My assumption is that the ccNSO with adjustment for dominance so for example the number one resolve would be the ccNSO Council approves the charter and appoints to whoever as the ccNSO Council liaison to the Cross Community Working Group.

Now that leads me to a question. Bart, does the ccNSO Council have liaisons?

Bart Boswinkel: Not in this mechanism. The way, again, say it works differently. But so what I could do - and normally I draft these resolutions for the ccNSO Council, say, together with Becky we'll adjust it to suit the requirements of the ccNSO.

John Berard: Okay. Do you think that - again, John for the record - do you think you can have that conversation with Becky and still meet the deadline requirements for filing for Singapore?

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, for the ccNSO, yes.

John Berard: Okay excellent. All right...

Bart Boswinkel: John? John?

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Yes, sir.

Bart Boswinkel: The - chuck has his hand up and Cheryl as well so you can't see it. Maybe - I think Chuck was first.

John Berard: Chuck, go right ahead.

Chuck Gomes: I was before Cheryl. And I like the idea that she's following me. That's the important part of what I wanted to say. I just wanted to point out - and this is with regard to the GNSO - I don't know if it will apply to the ccNSO as well. But the idea of appointing members - and I'm supportive of that in the charter, I know we're doing that.

                  But I'd just like to point out that that's a somewhat unique in the GNSO so I don't know that it necessarily - we necessarily have to have anything in the motion. But I would suggest, John, when you make the motion that you provide a little background of that in terms of that process because that is a little bit different than normal participation of a working group in the GNSO.

John Berard: Okay.

Bart Boswinkel: John, may I answer Chuck for that?

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Go ahead.

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah. Chuck, say, maybe you'll recall at the time when the, excuse me, joint ccNSO GNSO IDN Working Group was formed we had a similar kind of mechanism. But that's a long time ago and I think in the meantime the rules for the GNSO has changed with regard to establishing working groups. But at the time there was apparently a membership as well.

Chuck Gomes: Yeah. Thanks, Bart, this is Chuck. And I'm good with all of this I just think that some people on the Council and probably in the audience too will need a little bit of an explanation of the way that it's happening or the question might just come up and we...

((Crosstalk))

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, okay.

John Berard: Okay. Thank you. That's a good - again, John for the record. Thank you, Chuck has a good point. I do hate to be challenged.

Chuck Gomes: I will remember that when I'm in the audience.

John Berard: And, Cheryl...

Mikey O'Connor: I too.

John Berard: ...you're up next.

Mikey O'Connor: ...and I'm on the Council, I'm really looking forward to that.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yes I am but I saw Mary raise her hand and it's probably germane to what's just been discussed so go ahead, Mary.

Mary Wong: Thanks, Cheryl. It's just real quick and just to follow up as you noted, John, when you do the update to the Council you may want a couple of slides and I'm happy to work with you on that as well as with Bart just to make sure that we, you know, check every lock. And we can incorporate the point that Chuck's just made.

John Berard: Okay. That'd be fine. Not too many slides though.

Mary Wong: No, at most two probably.

John Berard: Okay.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: You can't have that many slides. Yeah, Cheryl here. Two things, and I'm going to deal with my first one first and then I want to come back to the second point which struck me as Chuck was mentioning his intervention and it (unintelligible) following him of course.

Number three, and here I am playing the devil's advocate. It is, by my reading, that of course any co-chairs will be concerned by the ccNSO and the GNSO Council. I don't know how the ASO will feel about that. I don't know how the ALAC will feel about that. And it's not all practice for working group co-chairs to be somewhat more egalitarianly selected. And, yes, admittedly the (unintelligible) from the GNSO confirmed by the GNSO Council.

But I'm just a little worried that that might make some softening to be more inclusive unless you're going to appear to be the only two SOs engaged in

the chair and co-chair and confirmation of this upcoming Cross Community Working Group. Just wanted to be a little careful there because you do know some sensitivities are out there.

And then the - but no problem with the (unintelligible) from co-chairs, absolutely none at all. I wondered if the section about the unique parts to the GNSO Council appointing liaisons and for the record ALAC appoints liaisons as well so whilst they do different rules the outcome is the same.

And I'm also assuming that this working group will have the usual open policy that GNSO guidelines calls for. And whether or not you might want to somehow either reorder that part of Resolve 1 so - the first resolve (unintelligible) to the ccNSO and the GNSO is, you know, appropriate to the deferrals, you know, had to approve the charter.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: They moved to coordinate and make the more public call, then move to the administration management hopefully somewhat softened for how the co-chairing can be done. And then my guess would be that the existing co-chairs will be the continued liaisons.

So we might want to reword that to say that the existing co-chairs, not naming you, John and Becky, but using your current drafting team titles would work with (unintelligible) come.

And then GNSO does its own appointment of (unintelligible) and I'd be highly surprised if Becky wasn't confirmed from the ccNSO Council. Does that make sense? And I saw Mary's hand go up.

John Berard: This is John. Let me just jump in and say that, you know, earlier on, Cheryl, I was not thinking specifically that there would only be ever two co-chairs; I was thinking that in order to secure the hearts and minds of other SOs and

ACs that it would be the right thing to do to have as many co-chairs as SOs and ACs are legitimately interested in participating.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: John, I agree but the words are, "Are confirmed by the ccNSO and GNSO Council." You've immediately red-ragged the bulls.

Mary Wong: John, this is Mary.

John Berard: Yeah.

Mary Wong: Can I follow up with Cheryl?

John Berard: Of course. Go right ahead.

Mary Wong: And, Cheryl, this is not so much an answer to your question. And thank you for raising the issue because I think that's a really important point that we probably need to chew on for a few minutes.

Just to say that at least in the GNSO, and maybe Bart can speak to the ccNSO practice, there is a practice of - of course the working group electing or selecting its chair or co-chairs and vice chairs and then the chartering organization - and so for the GNSO that's the GNSO working groups as the GNSO Council, you know, would confirm the appointment. It's nothing more than a formality, you know, you know, in I think 100% of the cases.

So that was really why that was in there. It wasn't intended to preclude co-chairs from other SOs and ACs so, you're right, we might need to rephrase that. But just from a procedural point of view from the GNSO we do need the confirmation bit.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah, yeah, you need to uncouple...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Again, this is John just jumping in. And that speaks to how we are trying to navigate the different rules that govern the groups that we're trying to knit together here, right? So we are essentially, as the old technology phrase is, we're eating our own dog food in this particular instance.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: John, Cheryl here. We did manage this with the DSSA of course. You know...

John Berard: Yes.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: This is not the first time we've gone and found some dog food.

John Berard: No, but I - again, this is John. My feeling is based upon the current level and type of activity at ICANN that the subject of Cross Community Working Groups is more important from a process point of view than I think it's ever been and...

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Highly contentious, absolutely. But Mikey's got his hand up and he was part of the DSSA adventure along with Chuck and me and Bart anyway.

John Berard: Well let's hear from Mikey then.

Mikey O'Connor: It's Mikey. I wasn't involved in this phase so I've got some ideas for language that may help here. I think what...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Mikey, excuse me, are we talking language for the motion or the...

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah.

John Berard: ...charter?

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, for the motion.

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: For the motion. I think the charter is fine. And I think the easy way out of this
                        is there's too much in the motion and it's not relying enough on the charter.
                        And so what I would suggest doing is thinning out the motion a bit because
                        there's stuff in there that's not really relevant.

                        And so taking Number 2, I would - instead of saying, "The GNSO Council will
                        coordinate next steps with the GNSO Council to jointly issue a call for
                        volunteers," since this is a GNSO motion why not just say, "The GNSO will
                        collaborate with other ACs and SOs to jointly issue a call for volunteers in the
                        Cross Community Working Group and ignore all of that coordinating with the
                        ccNSO and comparable language on the ccNSO side would - the ccNSO
                        would - and if the ALAC wanted to pass one they could just join that
                        bandwagon too. You know, so that would be my solution to that one.

                        And then the similar approach for Number 3 is to - is again chop out all this
                        procedural stuff and just say, "Until such time as the CWG selects its co-
                        chairs for the working group the GNSO Council will serve as the GNSO
                        interim co-chair." And chop out, again, all that procedural...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Why not - Mikey, friendly amendment to that if I may? I wouldn't say the
                        GNSO Council will serve as the interim chair, I would say the existing drafting
                        team co-chairs will serve as.

Mikey O'Connor: Oh I could live with that. That would be - that I think is just a process difference. In the GNSO we leave the liaison in as the chair but that may be unfamiliar and I'm fine with that. But, you know, my main goal is to take out all of the...

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah.

Mikey O'Connor: ...the extra stuff.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: And, John, just for the record here, Mary's typed into the Chat here would replacing "ccNSO and GNSO councils" with "chartering organizations" help to, you know, calm down any issues and I've already said that would help. So I think a combo of what Mikey said and Mary's typed is starting to get there.

But you also have Bart with his hand raised and you have both Chuck and I happy with what Mikey was saying.

John Berard: Great. Bart, before we jump to you - this is John. I particularly like Mikey changing "coordinate" to "collaborate" and I particularly like leaving it more open ended as you have as opposed to suggesting a fine filter that - of the two councils. So I'm totally on board with what you're suggesting. Okay, Bart, you're next.

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, thank you John. No it's building on what Mikey said. Why not just refer - say there is a mechanism in the charter. "The ccNSO and GNSO Council adopt these charters," why not refer to the mechanism in the charter itself?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah.

John Berard: Well, again, this is John. I think that's fine. Except that many people will not read the charter and they'll react to the motion. And I would like to, at least, take a stab at promoting what the point we've come to in the motion. I think

that we've walked a pretty interesting middle ground in what Mikey has suggested so that we're not...

((Crosstalk))

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, okay that's fine.

John Berard: Yeah.

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah.

John Berard: Okay.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Bart, Cheryl here. It really only doesn't say, "According to its own rules" with the (unintelligible) of language Mikey is doing. There's no harm in putting the reference in though, John, if they don't...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Again, this is John. I don't see any harm in it. It's just that one of the criticisms that ICANN is susceptible to generally is the linking of documentation so that you read something and there's, you know, two or three links at the bottom and then you read those links and then there's links at the bottom of that. To the extent that we can create a summary but a complete view of things I would - I think that would be better for us.

Keeping in mind that many of the people - most of the people that we'll be talking to at 10:15 on Saturday morning, will not really have been following this as well as the five of us have.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Understood. Mary, do you want to read your revised language that you've got in the notes for us all to make sure we're comfortable with because Mary's been doing a great job of keeping us on top here. But just on that,

John, you've got links in your whereas so if you refer to - if you use language that refers to the section in our draft charter I don't think there's a downside in this situation though I do see what you're saying in terms of running down rabbit holes with links.

John Berard: Yeah. So, Mary, do you want to go ahead and read what you've got?

Mary Wong: Sure. And just before I do that I guess the format and framework for this motion was based on, you know, other recent motions for chartering working groups which, admittedly, are purely GNSO ones. So, you know, just kind of a note there. I don't think it again precludes us from doing it any differently.

So I actually just reread the revised Number 2 and I might need some help here with grammar. But I think it captures what we've been saying. So revised clause 2 will now read, "The GNSO Council," I guess, or "The GNSO will collaborate with the other SOs and ACs to issue a call for volunteers for the Cross Community Working Group from all SOs and ACs each in accordance with its own rules."

And for the revised...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Before you move on, Mary - Mary, Mikey does that capture the sentiment that you began with?

Mikey O'Connor: This is Mikey. I'm going to paste an alternate in the Chat. I'm playing my why use two words when one will do game. And what I've done, John, for you is I've chopped off and just said the GNSO will collaborate with other ACs and SOs to issue a call for volunteers.

John Berard: That sounds forthright.

Mikey O'Connor: This is my new game in ICANN-land. Fewer words please.

Mary Wong: Yeah, this is Mary. And I guess, you know, I don't have an issue with it clearly but I was wondering if it would - if Bart, would that address the point that you made earlier about both referring more specifically to the process in the charter and making it clear that there is not one single way of appointing or selecting volunteers.

John Berard: Bart?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: You might be muted, Bart.

Bart Boswinkel: My microphone is out, sorry. If you would add something - say to Mikey's amendment in accordance with the adopted charter.

John Berard: Well but - this is John again. I don't want to lose Bart's point earlier because each according to their own rules is a public statement that we are respectful of the differences between the SOs and ACs that were not, in this instance as the GNSO Council, trying to, you know, align everybody against what we think but in fact we are trying to collaborate within a field of differences.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: And that's the language from the charter so I think that's fairly - it ties that nicely up, John.

Mikey O'Connor: So then let me try another version which would just pack that on again and say, "The GNSO will collaborate with other SOs and ACs to issue a call for volunteers and each in accordance with its own rules."

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Mikey, there's only two words different between what you just said and what Mary's already typed. So what she had typed while you were...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: ...was, "The GNSO will collaborate with the other SOs and ACs to issue a call for volunteers for the CWG, each in accordance with its own rules." I'm...

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: There we go.

John Berard: There you go. We're good. And, Mary, you said you have a rewrite on 3?

Mary Wong: Yes. And so the suggested rewrite for discussion here would read, "Until such time as the CWG selects its co-chairs for the working group and those co-chairs are confirmed by the chartering organization," with that phrase that I've just read out in square brackets, because we could consider dropping it entirely, comma, "The co-chairs of the drafting team shall serve as the interim co-chairs of the CWG."

Chuck Gomes: And this is Chuck. I thought Mikey's suggestion was to drop that bracketed text but I'm open to whatever everyone wants to do.

Mikey O'Connor: This is Mikey...

John Berard: This is John. Read the bracketed text and that would be dropped in that...

Mary Wong: And those - "And those co-chairs are confirmed by the chartering organizations."

Mikey O'Connor: This is Mikey, John.

John Berard: Yeah.

Mikey O'Connor: I really want to get that one out of there because then we get into a quagmire of, well, by the chartering organizations or the participating organizations. It's like...

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: The COs of the DT, the COs of the CWG...

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: I agree. Mary, I think we're in agreement to take that out.

Mary Wong: Done.

Mikey O'Connor: Now the other thing I'd take out, because I'm still playing my take words out game, is, "such time as" doesn't need to be there. We can just say, "Until the CWG selects its co-chairs," blah, blah, blah. So I'd take "such time as" out.

John Berard: Right. Now keep in mind, Mikey, Mary is a lawyer.

Mikey O'Connor: I know. I've just - I've learned that when I go into a draft - when I'm working with lawyers my goal is 50% word reduction.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Wow.

John Berard: All right so...

Mikey O'Connor: And I'll tell you what, I've been batting 1000 with Lars Hoffman. He is a piece of cake. I've been getting - I've been getting down to the 40% word count with him.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Now it's public, man, he's going to have to up his game now.

Mary Wong: Well I was going to say, Mikey, that Lars is a philosopher and I'm a lawyer but I think we're both working in the collaborative spirit here.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: Now wait a minute, hold on one second. What is Lars's native tongue?

Mary Wong: German.

John Berard: So, see, you're tricking us a little, Mikey because...

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, that's true.

John Berard: ...when Germans create new words they just jam a bunch of old words together into a new one.

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: So it might not be a reduction at all.

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, soft target. I'm toughing up my score aren't I?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah. Yeah. You've lost...

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah. Yeah.

John Berard: I wonder if I might jump to the end here and suggest that I think we have what we need.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: It would appear so.

John Berard: I hate to, I mean, I don't want to pull rank here and actually, you know, I'm not really interested in rushing in to spend $500,000 on a house but my wife is giving me a bit of a look at this point. And I think I need to begin to - I think I need to begin participating.

Mikey O'Connor: We could save you a lot of money if you want.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Hang on, someone else might be just signing up, man, it could be more.

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, and the other thing is you might lose all that money saved in divorce court so maybe...

John Berard: Well that's true. That's true. That's true.

Chuck Gomes: So, John, I know you can't see it. This is Chuck. But I do agree that I think we've done our task.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: We've got it right now.

John Berard: So I guess the last question I have is the members of the drafting team, Alberto, Mikey, Cheryl and Chuck, do you guys all - will you all be in Singapore?

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah. And we'll all be in the room - what was it, 10:15?

John Berard: I think it's 10:15, yes, Mary? Ten fifteen on Saturday?

Mary Wong: I'll need to double check but I'll add that information to the note that I'll send around to the team in closing the charter and the finalized motion.

John Berard: Okay.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Mary, can you also put...

Mikey O'Connor: ...GNSO meeting that we should show up at?

John Berard: That's it, 10:15 on Saturday morning at the weekend session there at the GNSO.

((Crosstalk))

Chuck Gomes: I have - I think it's 10:30 but I could be wrong.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Mary, if you could confirm that and the 8:00 am, including location, that would be good.

Mary Wong: I will. I will.

John Berard: Well, look, all thank you very much for this. My suspicion is that what we have just completed is the easy part.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Oh yeah.

John Berard: And so - what was it that Bette Davis said, "Strap yourselves in, it's going to be a bumpy ride." So I'll see you all in Singapore.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: And congratulations on the new house, my dear.

John Berard: Well, not yet, not yet but soon I think. All right.

((Crosstalk))

Becky Burr: Hi, everybody. Sorry, it's Becky. I'm joining just in the nick of time.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Yeah, we're finished, Becky. Bye.

John Berard: Becky, all I need to hear you say is I'm okay with what you've decided.

Becky Burr: If Bart's okay I'm okay.

John Berard: There you go. We're done. Yee-ha.

((Crosstalk))

John Berard: All right, I'll see you all in Singapore.

Becky Burr: Wait, I have to talk to Bart but, you know.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Bye, John. Go buy a house. Becky...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Mary's going to send a note out but there's - the resolution has been
                    played with and we think we've probably got it something to that is going to
                    work and work for both GNSO and ccNSO at this stage. And as the two
                    drafting team SOs that's all that needs to be done and then it gets opened up
                    so the rest of the...

((Crosstalk))

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah, Becky, and the most important part is there are no changes to the latest version of the draft charter so that's good.

Becky Burr: Excellent. Well then definitely we have done the easy part.

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Becky, will you be...

Becky Burr: Okay.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: ...will you be putting this through to the Council meeting?

Becky Burr: Yes I will. And I will get it...

((Crosstalk))

Becky Burr: ...onto the agenda right away.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: And Mikey was wondering whether the drafting team needed to be in the room for that. And I was about to say - but you can answer now because you're the councilor, ccNSO Council meetings aren't normally quite so open and welcoming.

Bart Boswinkel: Mikey?

Becky Burr: They're not?

Bart Boswinkel: Mikey?

Mikey O'Connor: Yes, sir.

Bart Boswinkel: The ccNSO Council meetings are boring, very boring.

Mikey O'Connor: No I just - you know, I was just thinking that if the - if you wanted us there I'd be happy to come; if you don't need us there it's fine. But I didn't want to leave that stone unturned if you've...

Bart Boswinkel: No, it's...

((Crosstalk))

Bart Boswinkel: ...not needed.

Becky Burr: And it's really so much different. But, I mean, you know, just to see the difference between that the GNSO Council meetings, you know...

Bart Boswinkel: Maybe that's something, yeah.

Becky Burr: That's still...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: In that case, Bart...

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Bart, in that case, because I noticed that your agendas are just coming out I think it was yesterday, you'd need to identify as they have whether it's 10:15 or 10:30 on Saturday for GNSO you'd need to identify when in the ccNSO Council meeting this action item was going to be attended to.

Bart Boswinkel: It's - I don't know yet. We have a lot of - the Council meeting itself is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon at the same time as the GNSO Council meeting unfortunately. And it starts at 4:00 and it will mostly likely end around 5:00-ish. And it's - we haven't, say the ccNSO Council agenda has not been

set yet. There are a couple of items that need to be discussed and included. And we haven't determined the order yet.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: It would just be if Mikey's going to - Mikey, I'm happy to play a role but he'd need to know, you know, 10 to 5 or quarter past 5, quarter past 4, whenever.

Bart Boswinkel: We don't know.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: I know you don't know yet but you have a running order - when you have your running order.

((Crosstalk))

Becky Burr: We can figure it out and figure out how to put it on and see if we can put it on at the beginning. But just to be clear, those meetings usually go by in the blink of an eye.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: Exactly. Yeah.

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, and this is Mikey. You know, believe me, I'm sure you'll understand that I certainly don't need any more meetings to go to but...

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: ...if you would like us there...

((Crosstalk))

Mikey O'Connor: If you'd like us there I'm happy to help out. I'm on the Council so I'll have to juggle some stuff but...

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: But...

Mikey O'Connor: Happy to help.

((Crosstalk))

Bart Boswinkel: Mikey. Mikey, you don't need to be there. Say, as - say, if Becky is comfortable in that sense she's more or less - because she's on the Council she'll propose it and then unless people really have an issue with it. There will be a vote. There will be hardly any discussion, that happens as part of this. And then, say, the ccNSO councilors are more or less delegated to do it.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: And that'll be Becky.

Mikey O'Connor: Yeah, that'll be Becky.

Bart Boswinkel: Yeah.

Mikey O'Connor: Sounds like we have a plan, folks.

((Crosstalk))

Cheryl Langdon-Orr: It's very different. It is very different. Okay, guys. Thanks a lot.

Bart Boswinkel: Okay, bye-bye.

Mikey O'Connor: Thanks, Cheryl. Thanks all. See you later.

Becky Burr: Thanks. Bye.

Mary Wong: Thanks, everybody. Bye.

Bart Boswinkel: Bye, Becky.

Becky Burr: Bye-bye.

Coordinator: Thank you all for attending today's conference. You may now disconnect.

Terri Agnew: Thank you, (Rebecca).

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