ccNSO Council Telephone Conference
13 January 2009

Attendees:
Bart Boswinkel
Olga Cavalli
Lesley Cowley
Chris Disspain
Hiro Hotta
Oscar Moreno
Patricio Poblete
Ondrej Philip
Oscar Robles
Peter van Roste
Dotty Sparks de Blanc
Jian Zhang

Apologies:
Olivier Guillard
Patrick Hosein
Young-Eum Lee
Gabriella Schittek

1) Confirmation of Approval of Minutes and Actions from Council Call 11th December 2009

The Chair opened the meeting and asked for comments on the minutes from the 11th December 2008. No comments were received.

The Chair then ran through the list of actions.

Action 36-04 (“The ccNSO Secretariat to set up a conference call for all Strategic and Operational Planning Committee members.”): The Chair informed the group that the Secretariat has been unsuccessful in trying to set up a call, but will continue to try.

Action 36-06 (“The IANA Working Group Chair to liaise with Bart Boswinkel on how to move forward with the IANA Working Group.”): Bart Boswinkel is trying to set up a call with Olivier as soon as possible.

Action 36-07 (“The Chair to contact Eberhard Lisse in order to receive information on the Working Group’s work.”): The Chair said he sent Eberhard a note, however, no clear reply was received. The Chair will follow up on the issue.

Action 36-09 (“Gabriella Schittek and Bart Boswinkel to make a draft for a possible registry/registrar session.”): This action will be dealt with as soon as Gabriella has recovered.

Lesley Cowley asked for an update about the outstanding action 35-01 (“The Chairman to discuss the composition of the GAC Working Group with Keith...“)
Davidson"). The Chair replied he has spoken with Keith who will contact the working group members and volunteers before the Mexico meeting.

2) Confirmation of Michael Silber as ccNSO Appointee to ICANN Board Seat nr 12

The Chair reminded the Councillors that there was only one nominee, Michael Silber, for ICANN Board Seat nr 12. During the previous Council call it was suggested that Michael should provide a mission statement. This has been done and has been forwarded to the Council.

The Chair pointed out that since there was no quorum on the call, a vote couldn’t be cast on confirming Michael Silber in the position. The voting would therefore need to take place online.

A formal resolution is to be sent out to the Council list by the following day and an email vote initiated.

*Action 37-01*
*Bart Boswinkel* to draft a formal resolution on the appointment of Michael Silber and send to the Council email list.

*Action 37-02*
*Bart Boswinkel* to initiate an email vote on the confirmation of Michael Silber to ICANN Board seat nr 12.

The Chair added that Michael will receive ccNSO travel funding to go to the Mexico meeting. He will formally take seat in May 2009.

*Lesley Cowley* reminded the group that the ccNSO Board appointees used to give a short briefing on board issues to the ccNSO during the meetings and asked whether the ccNSO could return to this practice.

The Chair agreed, pointing out this was lost when Peter Dengate-Thrush became the board Chair, now giving ICANN Chair updates instead.

*Action 37-03*
The ccNSO Secretariat to schedule in a ccNSO Board briefing session for the Mexico schedule, independent of the briefing by Paul Twomey and Peter in his capacity as chair of the Board.

3) Working Group Update

3.1) ccNSO/GAC Working Group

The Chair referred to what he said on the issue under agenda point 1 and added that he will try to ensure to get an email update from Keith Davidson so that everyone gets clarity on the issue.
3.2) IANA Working Group

*Bart Boswinkel* said that the group has been very quiet and needs to be prompted to think of what they want to do. This should be done before the Mexico meeting, ensuring everything is in place before Olivier steps down from his position.

3.3) Participation Working Group

*Lesley Cowley* said that the final Working Group report will be written in the near future. The group has then come to its conclusion and can formally be closed during the Mexico meeting.

The Chair added that the ad-hoc working group that will talk about setting up an administrative workshop needs to do so within the next few days.

**Action 37-04**
The ccNSO Secretariat to set up a conference call for the Administrative Workshop ad-hoc Working Group.

3.4 Technical Working Group

This issue was dealt with under agenda item 1.

4) Mexico Meeting Agenda

4.1) ccTLD Update Session

The Chair reminded the group that there was a discussion last time on how to structure the ccTLD Update session. He suggested that the Administrative Workshop ad-hoc Working Group deals with this issue over the next few weeks, as it might become part of the administrative session.

**Action 37-05**
The Administrative Workshop ad-hoc Working Group to suggest a solution on how to structure the ccTLD Update session.

Session on IGF

Some Council members suggested having a session on the IGF at the Mexico meeting. It was agreed that such a session would be useful. It was also agreed that the session should be broader than just an update of the latest events, but invite speakers from broader community, for example the NRO representatives (Raul or Adiel), ISOC (Bill Graham). It was also agreed to request Martin Boyle to provide an overview on the UK experience with its national IGF.

**Action 37-06**
The Secretariat to include an IGF session in the ccNSO meeting schedule

**Action 37-07**
The Secretariat to contact Raul Echeberria and/or Adiel to request participation as well as contact Martin Boyle on availability.

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4.2) Registry/Registrar Session

One of the action items from the previous call which still needs to be dealt with is to prepare a suggested agenda for a possible registry/registrar session. The ccNSO Secretariat will deal with this as soon as possible.

4.3) Other

The Chair confirmed that there will be a ccNSO Council Workshop on Sunday afternoon 1 March 2009.

5) AOB

The Chair referred to the summary the newly elected ccNSO Observer to the GNSO Pierre Bonis prepared for the Council. The summary highlighted a resolution the GNSO had passed on the timing of the introduction of IDN gTLDs and ccTLDs. It suggests that the fast-track IDNs and gTLD IDNs must be introduced at the same time.

The Chair said that although both the ccNSO and the GNSO in the past have passed resolutions saying it would be sensible to introduce new cc IDNs and gTLD IDNs at the same time, they also stated that if one of the two were delayed, the other should not be hindered to proceed.

Lesley Cowley said bearing in mind the responses the new gTLD handbook received, especially from the US government, it seems likely that the fast-track process will move more quickly than the new gTLD process. She therefore thought that a ccNSO resolution should be prepared, reminding the GNSO of the initial agreement regarding this matter.

Jian Zhang said the GNSO resolution was concerning for .cn as well.

Bart Boswinkel noted that the GNSO submitted a comment on the IDNC Fast track on the same day the resolution was passed.

The Chair asked Bart to summarise the GNSO submission into bullet points and send to the Council list.

Action 37-08
Bart Boswinkel to provide the Council with a summary of the GNSO comment to the IDNC fast track.

The Chair then suggested that a constructive resolution should be drafted within 10 days as a reply to the GNSO resolution, pointing out that the ccNSO would like to stick to the previous agreements made regarding the timing of the introduction of IDN TLDs.

Action 37-09
Bart Boswinkel to draft a resolution within 10 days in reply to the GNSO resolution with regard to the timing of the introduction of IDN TLDs.
Bart Boswinkel asked whether there will be another ccNSO/GNSO Council meeting in Mexico and if so, he suggested that this topic should be discussed then.

The Chair replied that this was not yet certain as it depends on how much time there will be left outside the other meetings. Another cross-silo session, such as the one held in Egypt, will, however, definitely take place. The Chairs of the ALAC, GAC, GNSO and ccNSO will send out an email to all members, asking for topics to be discussed during the cross-silo session. This issue could be one of them.

Bart Boswinkel finally asked whether Pierre Bonis and Ron Sherwood, the ccNSO observers to the GNSO and ALAC should be added to the Council email list.

The Chair agreed that this would be sensible.

Action 37-10
The ccNSO Secretariat to add Pierre Bonis and Ron Sherwood to the ccNSO Council email list.

The Chair then closed the meeting.