Notes SOP Working Group Telephone Conference
11 May 2010

Attendees:
Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO
Fahd Batayneh, .jo
Lesley Cowley, .uk
Byron Holland, .ca (Chair)
Gabriella Schittek, ccNSO
Peter Van Roste, CENTR

Apologies:
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Oscar Robles, .mx
Leonid Todorov, .ru

• Byron Holland informed the group that ICANN’s Operational Plan will be released on the 17th May 2010. He suggested setting up a telephone conference with Kevin Wilson and the cc community in the week following the Operational Plan release, in order to give the community a chance to ask questions and to receive an insight into the plan. Bart Boswinkel will contact Kevin to see when he is available.

• Byron further informed the group that he had discussions with Patrick Sharry regarding the planned Strategic session in Brussels. The session will be similar to the one held in Sydney last year. It will try to get the community engaged in questions on the strategic priorities of ICANN. There will be an overview of what was put forward by ICANN and whether there are other priorities that were not dealt with. The community will also be asked to give their opinion on whether the charter of the Working Group should be amended or stay as it is. It should also be discussed whether there is any interest from the community to let the SOP Working Group forward its report to ICANN as a ccNSO submission. The goal will be to receive and gather real-time feedback from those present.

• Discussions were held on whether the SOP Working Group reports should be forwarded to ICANN as a ccNSO submission. It was felt that it would be useful and that the community would support this approach. Peter Van Roste underlined that the Working Group needs to encourage the community much more to use the reports for own submissions. It should be clarified and repeated that cc’s are welcome to copy and paste the report and submit it to ICANN under their own name.

It was agreed that this point will be made during the SOP session in Brussels.

• Lesley Cowley suggested that it should also be discussed during the session whether there are priorities that the cc’s wish to see, which are missing in the plan, or have not yet been fulfilled.
• The Group decided to have another pre-call with Patrick Sharry in order to define the session around the 3rd June. Bart Boswinkel is to liaise with Patrick in order to find a suitable time and date.

• It was decided to have a face-to-face meeting in Brussels on Sunday, 20 June at 15.00–16.00.