BRAD WRIGHT: Hello, I'm Brad Wright, director of communications for North America. This call is intended to allow new community members the opportunity to ask any questions that you may have regarding the quarterly stakeholder update that was posted to the ICANN website very recently. Please type your question into the box labelled submit questions here. Now if you're on the phone, press pound 3, the operator will put you into the queue. Let me add that this call is being simultaneously translated into 6 additional languages, Spanish, French, Chinese, Russian, Arabic, and Portuguese. So if you are one of those lines, hit pound 3 and you can ask your question and we will then hear the English interpretation. Should we run out of time or if you have additional questions after the session, please email them to engagement at ICANN dot org. This session is being recorded and it will be posted, along with the presentation materials previously posted. Lastly, I would like to remind you to mute your computer and your phones and with that, while we're waiting for questions, I am going to toss the first question to our board chair Cherine Chalaby. Cherine, you just did the board workshop, can you give us any type of update regarding GDPR, the general data protection regulation and WHOIS?

CHERINE CHALABY: Thank you Brad, good afternoon everyone. Over this weekend the board met on 11, 12, and 13th May in Vancouver, Canada. We dedicated the 12th and 13th of May entirely to GDPR. We had a brief meeting on Friday to discuss with our CEO, the publication of the proposed temporary specification, and jointly with Goran Marby we

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decided that it is right for the community to receive the document in draft at the same time as the board on the evening of Friday, May 11th. So, we posted that. We then convened the whole day of Saturday, almost 8 hours, and focused our attention entirely on the temporary specification document. In fact we reorganized our entire workshop at free'd all the topics just to focus on that. The board members had read the document overnight and also early morning on Saturday, and then we had a very open and intense, in terms of concentration, day where the board asked a lot of questions and clarification on the proposed temporary spec. The discussion were broadly grouped into the following buckets, first was the... how the proposed temporary specification facilitated compliance with GDPR.

We then talked about enforcement needs, we talked about guidance on addressing, or incorporating interpretation in terms of arising out of the GDPR. Potential use of common anonymized email addresses across registration. Access right, accreditation mechanisms. The general need for temporary specification important issue for further community action, as continued work to develop on accreditation models. So, staff then took all of these comments into account and worked overnight on Saturday and produced a revised version on Sunday morning. On Sunday, we also met again and we cleared the whole day of all the topics, and had another 8 hour session on GDPR. We began the day with reviewing the revised proposed temporary specs, to see how our questions had been addressed and how the issues have been... and the deliberation had been reflected in the document. We were satisfied that happened, took place, and in fact, this revised temporary specification will be posted again, I believe today at some point. We

then, after doing that, we shifted our attention and discussion around the broader process around the potential adoption of a proposed temporary specification. We asked ourselves a couple of questions, particularly vis-a-vis the community and the board, vis-a-vis the community, we said is it right for the board to pass a resolution on the temporary specification, having just been released 36 hours earlier, 48 hours earlier. We came to the answer that is absolutely not, and we felt that it's necessary that allow time for the community to read and digest the document, and that we agree to convene towards the end of this week, with a view to adopting considering the adoption of the temporary specification.

We also found that from our perspective, we needed more time to discuss and digest the temporary specification, and raise potentially more issues. This is what we really did two intense focus day only on solely on GDPR. Culminating in yesterday afternoon, Sunday at 5PM, where the board held a formal board meeting and we passed a resolution that you will see posted shortly, noting our intent to take a decision on the adoption of a temporary specification on or about 17th May 2018. As indicated in the resolution, the board intends to use the additional time to confirm that appropriate modification are incorporated in the temporary specification prior to adoption. So, thank you very much for listening, Brad, this is the quick summary update of what the board did over the weekend and I believe also that there's going to be a ICANN Org arranged webinar for the entire community tomorrow, Tuesday, on that specific subject. Thank you.

BRAD WRIGHT: Thank you very much Cherine, we look forward to that webinar tomorrow. I'm seeing no other questions online, we have none on the phone. So I am going to shut down this call early, I would like to add one final note. If you are listening to a recording of this session after the fact, and you do have a question, please shoot off your questions or comments to engagement at ICANN dot org, that address again engagement at ICANN dot org, and with that I will say thank you very much and we'll close down the call.

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