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Follow-up Arrangements

[New] 62. We agree that the continued internationalization of the Internet and the principle of universality reinforce the need for a review of existing governance mechanisms. In reviewing the adequacy of existing institutional arrangements for Internet Governance, we agree that adjustments need to be made to bring these into line with the "Geneva principles".

Global Public Policy and Oversight

[New] 63. We recognize that any organizational form for the governance function/oversight function should adhere to the following principles:

- o Governments should have a role in relation to international Internet governance.
- o The organizational form for the governance function will be multilateral, transparent and democratic, with the full involvement of Governments, the private sector, and civil society and international organizations.
- o The organizational form for the governance function will involve all stakeholders and relevant intergovernmental and international organizations within their respective roles.

[New] 64. We Decide to establish an intergovernmental Council for Global Public Policy and Oversight based on the principles of transparency and democracy with the involvement, in an advisory capacity, of the private sector, civil society and the relevant intergovernmental and international organizations. The Council shall be anchored in the United Nations and have, inter alia, the following functions:

o Setting of international Internet public policy and providing the necessary oversight relating to Internet resource management, especially the related to ICANN/IANA competence in the areas such as additions or deletions to the root zone file, management of IP addresses, introduction of Global Top level Domains (gTLDs), delegation and redelegation of Country Code To Level Domain (ccTLDs). The relationship between the Council and technical and operational Internet institutions, such as the reformed and internationalized ICANN/IANA, should be formalized. In this model, the reformed ICANN/IANA will be accountable to the Council. This internationalization should be accompanied by an adequate United Nations like host-country agreement for reformed ICANN/IANA.

- o In addition, its functions might include international public policy issues relating to Internet resource management and international public policy issues that do not fall within the scope of other existing intergovernmental organizations.
- o Facilitating negotiation of treaties, conventions and agreements on Internet-related public policies.
- o Fostering and providing guidance on certain developmental issues in the broader Internet agenda, including but not limited to capacity-building, multilingualism, equitable and cost-based international interconnection costs, and equitable access for all.
- o Approving rules and procedures for dispute resolution mechanisms and conduct arbitration, as required.