LACRALO General Assembly and Capacity Building Program

To take place during ICANN's 43rd Meeting

11-16 March 2012

Dear LACRALO Leadership,

In response to your request for funding of a series of LACRALO meetings during ICANN's 43rd meeting scheduled to take place in Costa Rica 11-16 March 2012, and following discussions with ICANN staff, I am very pleased to inform you that your request has been approved.

As a means to move forward with the planning of an appropriate and cost effective approach to the LACRALO request a series of sessions based on mutually recognized needs to cooperate and engage in new and better ways is suggested.

The following are the proposed activities for the supported ALS Representatives:

- Two General Assembly sessions in Costa Rica to be held with the aim to strengthen LACRALO relations and increase the ability of LACRALO ALS Representatives to participate effectively within At-Large and ICANN. It is suggested that these sessions are facilitated in part by Rodrigo de la Parra, Vice President for Latin America and Elad Levinson, Vice President of Organization Effectiveness, ICANN. Participation in a planned consensus-building session led by Elad Levinson, Vice President of Organization Effectiveness.
- A series of capacity building sessions synchronized to the extent possible with the Fellowship and Newcomer meetings.
- A LACRALO Showcase that will provide a means for the LACRALO ALSes to promote their
 activities and highlight a chosen theme related to Internet governance. As noted in the original
 funding request, travel support will be offered to one representative from each current
 LACRALO ALS that does not already have a representative supported by ICANN. The funding will
 include travel support (including airfare, accommodation, and per diem) for 6 days and 7 nights.

I recognize the urgent need to begin organizing the LACRALO Costa Rica events as quickly as possible given the timing of the announcement. However, I am confident that with the excellent LACRALO leadership, the enthusiasm of the LACRALO community, and support of At-Large staff, the LACRALO activities in Costa Rica will be a great success setting the way for a vibrant and active LACRALO.

Best regards,

Oliver Crépin-Leblond,

Chair of the ALAC