## Replace the following:

 Mailing lists will be run according to netiquette guidelines. One guideline reference for IGC netiquette is RFC1855. One useful guideline for all list participants is:

Be conservative in what you send and liberal in what you receive. You should not send heated message("flames") even if you are provoked. On the other hand, you shouldn't be surprised if you get flamed and it's prudent not to respond to flames..

Some of the specific guidelines that will be enforced include those relating to:

- No personal insults
- No spam
- Failure to abide by netiquette guidelines may result in suspension or removal from the IGC list according to the following process:
  - The coordinators will first warn a subscriber privately of the problem
  - If the problem persists the coordinators will notify the subscriber publicly on the list of impending suspension from the list. Suspension will include only posting rights.
  - If the problem persists the subscriber's posting rights will be suspended for one (1) month.
  - Once the subscriber's posting rights are restored, any further problem will result in another public warning.
  - If the problem continues to persist after suspension and a second public warning, the coordinators will be permitted to either suspend the posting rights for three (3) months or to remove the subscriber from the list.
  - Any decision for suspension can be appealed. Any decision to remove someone from the list will call for an automatic appeal by the appeals team.

With:

 Mailing list(s) will be run according to guidelines set below in the section titled: Posting Rules for the IGC

And add the following section:

## Posting Rules for the IGC

Messages to any IGC list must be in line with the mission of the IGC, particularly its purpose to provide an open and effective forum for civil society to share opinion, policy options and expertise on Internet governance issues, and to provide a mechanism for coordination of advocacy for agreed upon policies and to enhance the utilization and influence of Civil Society (CS) and the IGC in

relevant policy processes of organizations or fora dealing with Internet Governance issues.

Appropriate messages to an IGC list contribute to the objectives and tasks of the IGC, particularly:

- To inform civil society and other progressive groups or actors on significant developments impacting on Internet governance policies.
- To anticipate, identify and address emerging issues in the areas of Internet governance and help shape issues and perspectives in a manner that is informed by the stated vision of the IGC
- To develop common positions on issues relating to Internet governance policies, and make outreach efforts both for informing and for creating broad-based support among other CS groups and individuals for such positions.

The messages must observe a minimum of decorum, including:

- refrain from personal attacks, insults or slander
- refrain from offensive or discriminating language
- refrain from threats, including threats of legal action, on list or off list
- refrain from excessive and repetitive posting

Inappropriate postings to the IGC list include

- Unsolicited bulk e-mail
- Discussion of subjects unrelated to the IGC mission and objectives
- Unprofessional or discourteous commentary, regardless of the general subject
- Sequences of messages by one or more participants that cause an IGC list to become a hostile environment

## Suspension of posting rights

Failure to abide by posting rules may result in suspension or removal from the IGC list according to the following process:

- The coordinators will first warn a subscriber privately of the problem
- If the problem persists the coordinators will notify the subscriber publicly on the list of impending suspension from the list. Suspension will include only posting rights.
- If the problem persists the subscriber's posting rights will be suspended for one (1) month.
- Once the subscriber's posting rights are restored, any further problem will result in another public warning.

- If the problem continues to persist after suspension and a second public warning, the coordinators will be permitted to either suspend the posting rights for three (3) months or to remove the subscriber from the list.
- Any decision for suspension can be appealed. Any decision to remove someone from the list will call for an automatic appeal by the appeals team.

## Recommendations and requests for suspending posting rights

The coordinators may, at their discretion, appoint an advisory team of at least three individuals to assist them in making the determination of when someone has breached the posting rules defined in this charter. While all decisions remain the coordinators' responsibility, any such recommendation from an advisory team will be made public at the time of either suspension or removal from the list.

Additionally, any public request for suspension or expulsion from the list signed by twenty (20) or more members of the IGC will be sufficient to request that the coordinators' review a list subscriber for suspension or removal action. Any such request will require a public response from the coordinators' within a week indicating the action taken and with an explanation of the reasons for the action.