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| CONTRIBUTION FROM the United States of america  Proposed topics for open consultations of the Council working group on international internet-related public policy matters (cwg-internet) | |

I have the honour to transmit to the Member States of the Council a contribution submitted by the United States of America.

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Secretary-General

Contribution from the United States of America

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| Summary  This contribution proposes two topics for the upcoming open consultations of the Council Working Group on International Internet-Related Public Policy Matters (CWG-Internet).  Action required  The United States invites the Council to **note** the content of this contribution and **adopt** the proposed topics for the open consultations of the CWG-Internet.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  References  Document [WG-Internet 12/10](https://www.itu.int/md/S19-RCLINTPOL12-C-0010/en) |

**Introduction**

The CWG-Internet Chairman’s report (WG-Internet 12/10) acknowledges that the February 1, 2019 meeting did not reach consensus on a topic for open consultation, and is seeking Council’s guidance in this regard.

The United States is pleased to submit this contribution, which builds on discussions held during the February, 2019 CWG-Internet meeting, to facilitate the Council’s determination of at least one and possibly more topics for CWG-Internet open consultations in the near term.

**Discussion**

Council Resolution 1344 calls for the CWG-Internet to decide on the international Internet-related public policy issues for open consultation. While the first CWG-Internet meeting after the Plenipotentiary considered several proposals, it was ultimately unable to reach a consensus on any particular topic. This contribution builds on those discussions.

**Proposal**

We propose the following topics for the upcoming CWG-Internet open consultations:

1. **International public policy related to capacity building for Internet governance in developing countries**

* What are best practices for capacity building for Internet governance in developed and developing countries?
* What are the challenges for capacity building in Internet governance and how can they be overcome?
* What role can governments play in capacity building in this area? What role can other stakeholders play in this area?

1. **The adoption and deployment of IPv6**

* What are the challenges for the adoption and deployment of IPv6?
* What can governments do to help overcome these challenges?
* What can other stakeholders do to help overcome these challenges?