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**SCRIPT FOR CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN
30TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Monday 27th January, 2014
Half Moon
Port of Spain, Trinidad**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen, I am Dirk Currie, Chairman of CANTO and as such will be chairman of this **30TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**. On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Secretariat I would like to welcome you to our 30th Annual General Meeting.

At the opening I would like to recognize the presence of our former Chairman Leon Williams who is also an honorary CANTO member and still very active in the work of CANTO and I would also like to recognize the presence of one of our former Vice Chairs Camille Facey who drove from Kingston to Montego bay just to be with us.

Leon and Camille it is our distinct honor and pleasure to have you with us at this 30 AGM of CANTO.

I also would like to thank all persons who over the past 30 years held positions in the board of directors of CANTO or at the secretariat of the organization. All these people had their part in the work of CANTO for the last 30 years and the growth that we have achieved as an organization is also based on the work from these pioneers in managing the organization through stages of change.

The present Board of Directors, the secretary General and the members of the secretariat also played an important role in recent years in keeping the organization one that fulfills the needs of its members.

Our hart felt thanks and gratitude to all these people and businesses.

Dear Members we are happy to see you here this morning. To those who attend these meetings regularly, welcome back. For those who are here for the first time, many thanks for coming.



We are very appreciative of the efforts made by Management of LIME Jamaica and staff for hosting this meeting. I would ask the CEO of LIME Jamaica **Mr. Garfield Sinclair** to please convey our gratitude to his Board and Staff.

NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The notice convening the meeting was circulated to members on December 17, 2013 and I propose that we take such notice as having been read.

For record purposes I request that anyone speaking at this meeting to please state his or her name and company. I wish to remind members that only Full Members are entitled to vote and hold office in the Association. Any member in arrears for more than six months is not financial and the directors may order his name to be struck off the list of members whereupon he shall cease to be a member of the Company. The Secretariat has informed the members that are not up to date with their subscription payments and advised these members they will not be able to vote.

Further only registered members or their appointed proxies or representatives can move or second motions, ask questions and vote.

INTRODUCTIONS (AND APOLOGIES)

Several Directors are present with us today and I would like to introduce them:

Karen Bevans	Vice Chairman	Belize Telemedia Ltd
Davidson Charles	Treasurer	C & W Antigua & Barbuda
Helma Etnel	Director	Telem Group
Charles Carter	Director	TSTT
Julian Wilkins	Director	Digicel Trinidad & Tobago
Lawrence McNaughton	Director	Cable & Wireless Grenada Ltd
E. Jay Saunders	Director	Digicel Turks & Caicos

The director from UTS Curacao, Mr. Lyrio Gomez is not present and sends his regrets.

At this time, I would like to introduce Ms. Regenie Fräser, Secretary General of CANTO. Ms. Fräser will perform the functions of Secretary of today's meeting.

PROXIES RECEIVED AND QUORUM

Will the Secretary General now confirm that there is the required quorum present for the proper conduct of this Meeting?

Ms. Fräser to Reply:

Mr. Chairman, we have received [REDACTED] proxies from members of the association and there are present [REDACTED] Full members. There are [REDACTED] members represented.

The required quorum of thirty percent (30%) thereat, of the active members of the company, being either a member entitled to vote thereat, or a duly appointed proxy holder or representative of a member so entitled, has thus been satisfied.

AGENDA ITEMS

We may now proceed with the business of this meeting as set out in the notice:
I refer to:

ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 29TH AGM

You will all have received the minutes of the 29th AGM at the registration and I suggest that the minutes have been read. Are there any suggested changes to the text?

Since there are no suggested changes from the members let us move to the confirmation of the minutes of the 29th AGM.

Will someone move a motion for Confirmation of the minutes of the 29th AGM?
and a seconder?

The motion for confirmation of the minutes of the 29th AGM is now up for vote.

All those in favor of the motion please raise your right hand
All those against the motion please raise your right hand.
Any abstentions

I declare the motion than carried Unanimously.

ITEM 2: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

I now ask if there is any member to ask a question regarding matters arising out of the minutes.

(If necessary, Chairman invites the Secretary General to respond to any matters raised by the floor)

ITEM 3: PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chairman invites the following committee chairpersons to present their reports;

Disaster Recovery Planning	Angus Steele – LIME Grenada
Financial Advisory	Helma Etnel - Telem
Marketing & Communications	Julian Wilkins – Digicel Trinidad & Tobago
Human Resources	Linus Rogers – HR Consultant
Regulations & Emerging Technologies	Melesia Sutherland-Campbell - Lime Jamaica
Corporate Social Responsibility	Julian Wilkins – Digicel Trinidad & Tobago

The Chairman invites discussions on the reports from the floor to which committee chairpersons will respond.

ITEM 4: SECRETARIAT REPORT 2013

To receive and consider the report of the Secretary General for the year ended 30th September 2013.

This report has been previously circulated to members and I request that it is taken as having been read. However, I am inviting the Secretary General to present the main highlights of the report.

I will now invite comments and questions on the report.

As there are no more questions we may now propose the following motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Secretary General’s Annual Report for the year ended 30th September, 2013 be received and adopted”

May I have a proposer and seconder?



The motion is now up for voting

All those in favor of the motion raise your right hand.

All those against the motion raise your right hand.

Any abstentions?

I declare the motion carried unanimously

ITEM 5: Presentation of CANTO IDB Broadband Infrastructure Inventory and Public Awareness in the Caribbean (BIIPAC) Project

The Chairman invites Ms. Ayanna Samuels, BIIPAC Regional Coordinator to update members on the project.

The Chairman invites questions and discussions on the presentation from the floor to which Ms. Samuels will respond.

SCHEDULED COFFEE BREAK

ITEM 6: CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2013

THE CHAIRMAN HANDS OVER TO KAREN BEVANS, VICE CHAIRMAN

Karen Bevans introduces the Chairman and takes control of this segment of the meeting. After his report, she invites comments and questions.

ITEM 7: PRESENTATION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

“TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE COMPANY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2013”.

These statements were previously circulated and I request that they be taken as read.

I now call upon Mr. Davidson Charles, Treasurer to present an overview of the Financial Statements.

The Chairman then invites any questions

As there are no more questions we may now ask for a proposer and a seconder for the motion.



The motion is now on the table:
All those in favor of the motion raise your right hand
All those against the motion raise your right hand
I declare the motion carried unanimously

ITEM 8: AUDITOR’S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2013

In the absence of the auditors, I call upon Mr. Jimmy Rodrigues (Finance Manager), to read the Auditor’s Report.

Mr. Rodrigues reads the report.

I will now ask the Secretary General to read the resolution proposed on this matter.

Secretary General to read:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2013 BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED”

**May I now have a Proposer?
And a seconder?**

The motion is now on the table :

**All in favor raise your right hand
All against raise your right hand**

I declare the motion carried unanimously

ITEM 9: RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AUDITORS 2013/2014

To appoint Messrs. Pannell Kerr Forster as auditors of the Company and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration.

I will ask the Secretary General to read the Resolution proposed on this matter.

The Secretary General reads:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT PANNELL KERR FORSTER BE REAPPOINTED AS THE AUDITORS AND THAT THE DIRECTORS BE AUTHORISED TO FIX THEIR RENUMERATION FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.”

**May I have a Proposer?
and a Seconder?**

May we now have a vote on the motion before the meeting?
All those in favour of the motion raise your right hand
All those against the motion raise your right hand
I declare the motion carried unanimously/by majority

ITEM 10: PRESENTATION OF THE 2013/2014 BUDGET

I will now call upon the Treasurer, Mr. Davidson Charles to present the budget estimates for the year 2013/2014.

The Chairman then invites any questions

After which the Treasurer will respond to any questions and comments.

As there are no more questions I will now read the proposed resolution.

The Chairman then reads the Resolution proposed on this matter:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2013/2014 AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS and presented by the Treasurer Mr. Davidson Charles BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED.”

May I have a proposer?

And seconder?

We will now vote on the motion

Chairman hands over to the Presiding Officer Leon Williams, former CANTO Chair and Honorary member from Bahamas to conduct elections.

ITEM 11: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The Presiding Officer announces that the Treasurer, Mr. Davidson Charles completed his two year term in office and in accordance to by-law 7.1 is eligible for re-election for another term.

I will now invite members to make nomination for this position.



Receive nominations

Nominations seconded

Any further nominations

Nominations Closed

If necessary put to vote by secret ballot

Ballots are counted

I now declare the position of Treasurer filled by

The Presiding Officer announces that the following directors have completed their two year terms in office and in accordance to by-law 7.1 are eligible for re-election for another term.

Charles Carter	Director	TSTT
Julian Wilkins	Director	Digicel Trinidad & Tobago
Lawrence McNaughton	Director	Cable & Wireless Grenada Ltd
Lyrio Gomez	Director	UTS, Curacao
E. Jay Saunders	Director	Digicel Turks & Caicos

N.B. Mr Lyrio Gomez has indicated that his company UTS, Curacao will not seek re-election.

I will now invite members to make nomination for these positions.

Receive nominations

Nominations seconded

Any further nominations

Nominations Closed

If necessary put to vote by secret ballot

Ballots counted.

I now declare the positions of Directors filled by

Chairman takes over



ITEM 12 - ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOST AND VENUE FOR 2015 AGM

The Chairman will announce the venue and host for 2015.

ITEM 13 – PRESENTATION OF NEW BOARD AND PHOTO SESSION

The new Board is called to be presented to the membership and a group photo is taken.

CONCLUSION

Ladies and gentlemen this concludes the formal business of this Annual General Meeting. I thank you once again for attending and for your interest in the Association. I hope that in going forward we can build a greater sense of commitment among the members if we are to achieve better results.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We now have lunch in the Hanover room and I encourage you to visit the exhibitors during this time. After lunch we have a Technology Trends session starting at 1:00pm, and later the 'Financing Broadband Infrastructure' session which starts at 3:15pm. On Tuesday, the sessions start at 8:00am with 'Pardon the e-waste interruption', which will be followed by 'Americas Spectrum issues' and a look into the 'future of CANTO'.

I now declare this Annual General Meeting closed.