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In preparation for the WGEC2.0 next meeting, I would like to solicit further edits to the following recommendations discussed at our last meeting (bold and italic texts are my additional edits):

1. That all governments on equal footing should **may increase their active and sustained participation** in the work of the Government Advisory Committee of Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers in the management of the Critical Internet Resources (CIR).

2. That on need basis, government, business, civil society, technical and academic community should evolve and engage on processes of inclusive cooperation on diverse global public policy matters pertaining to the Internet.

3. That efforts be made to increase awareness of diverse global public policy matters pertaining to the Internet especially in the developing and least developed nations through existing mechanisms (e.g. UNCTAD, UNESCO, ITU, ...)

4. All countries including developing and least developed are encouraged to evolve national multi-stakeholder mechanism to address current and emerging regulatory and policy issues pertaining to the Internet.

5. Recognizing capacity gap in addressing Internet public policy matters in developing and least developed countries, appropriate support mechanism should be enabled to bridge the gap.

6. The CSTD convenes a yearly forum where all governments on equal footing can discuss and provide recommendations on public policy matters pertaining to the Internet with the participation of the business community, the technical community, the civil society and the academic community.

Footnote to 6 above:

This is in line with the CSTD mandate per http://unctad.org/en/Pages/CSTD/CSTD-Mandate.aspx

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