Appendix A

1. **Background**

   First published in 2015, the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF) Synthesis Document aims to identify relevant Internet governance interests within the Asia Pacific region and to reflect the discussions which take place at the APrIGF conference[1] each year. Building on the APrIGF Synthesis Document that started from APrIGF 2015 Macao[2] the process for the 2018 Synthesis document included 2 public comment periods[3] as well as multiple townhall sessions to collect wider input from the Asia Pacific Internet community across all stakeholder groups to build a more comprehensive and collaborative open document detailing the significant deliberations which took place during the APrIGF 2018 Vanuatu.

2. **Purpose**

   The Synthesis Document aims to collect the contributions and outputs of participants at the APrIGF meeting (as well as those within the broader APrIGF community through remote participation and dissemination on the mailing list and online platform). The APrIGF Multistakeholder Steering Group (MSG) [4] and the Drafting Committee[5] accept that the Synthesis Document cannot be fully representative of the very diverse Asia Pacific region. Nevertheless, they anticipate that the development of this Synthesis Document can help drive active participation in the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) process and demonstrate the value of the annual APrIGF meeting as a platform for voices, views and thoughts in the Asia Pacific region as a contribution to relevant global, national, local and international forums on Internet governance.

3. The Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF) serves as a platform for discussion, exchange and collaboration at a regional level. It also aims to aggregate national and local IGF discussions, promote a progress discourse, and ultimately advance the Internet governance development and understanding in the Asia Pacific region.

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[1] APrIGF main website: http://aprigf.asia/
[2] APrIGF Synthesis Document Archives: https://www.aprigf.asia/events.html
[3] Comment platform: http://comment.rigf.asia/
[4] APrIGF Multi-stakeholder Steering Group: http://aprigf.asia/msg.html
[5] APrIGF Synthesis Document Drafting Committee: http://aprigf.asia/drafting-committee.html

Appendix B: Public Comment Archives

Public Comment Platform Archives of 1st and 2nd public comment periods:
http://comment.aprigf.asia/

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