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Outcomes

- Long discussions about ITU scope re: privacy, surveillance, human rights, Internet governance/policy, affordability, and sovereignty
- No voting – outcome reached by consensus
- Treaty and ITU official definitions did not change
- ITU scope did not expand re: Internet operational issues
- Outcomes focused on capacity building, cooperation, best practices, collaboration with relevant stakeholders

So, Now What?

- Overall, very co-operative spirit
- Underlying concerns still exist:
 - Cost, affordability, connectivity
 - Role of governments
 - Security, privacy, surveillance
- Building bridges between technical and policy communities remains critical