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It is agreed that the ultimate goal is to reach the genuine Information Society wherein Internet is available and easily accessible by anyone, anywhere, and anytime. In order to achieve this goal, the combination of the on-going expansion of ICT (Information and Communication Technologies) carried out in alignment with the UN Millennium Development Goals (MDG) and the growing effort to facilitate the Internet contents is insufficient and lacks the critical path component to access Internet information efficiently.

It is also agreed that in order to fully benefit the progressive infrastructures of Internet, along with the Internet contents, we must account for the indispensable multilingual Internet address to make the existing Internet resources realistically accessible. Without having Native Languages Technologies & Policies Consortium (NLTPC) component, which acts as the gateway to the Internet, the substance of all other structural or content improvements can potentially be of less value.

We acknowledged that NLTPC service provides intuitive user interface to the Internet that is easy to use, simple, convenient, and recognizable in their *own* languages. Moreover, NLTPC service is the missing component to achieve a worldwide balance of Internet population's demand for accessibility and connectivity.

The efforts by Netpia.com, Inc. in facilitating and organizing the NLTPC meeting in Seoul, Korea, on September 28, 2005, leading to the formation of this consortium is hereby recognized.

It is recognized that the need to deliver NLTPC worldwide requires a systematic approach through participation of interested groups: industry and users, including various technology providers.

We are committed to supporting the establishment of NLTPC with the purpose of:

- Collaborating to promote the multilingualism worldwide through variety of channels such as the United Nations, regional and national governments, global and regional non-governmental and/or civil organizations as well as business and academic communities.
- Studying with less developed countries their needs for local languages system, e.g. e-health, e-education and e-government.
- Supporting effective global distribution and implementation of NLTPC through necessary and appropriate policies and planning for stable and secure global NLTPC governance.
- Contribute actively to the definition of best practices leading to standardizing NLIA through rigorous and advanced research.
- Cooperating via large group meeting of regular exchanges of engineering inputs and business contributions to assure the security and stability of NLTPC operation.
- Working together to overcome any challenges faced by provisional, procedural, and representational obstacles.

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