

Federal Communications Commission.
William F. Caton,
Acting Secretary.
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Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee; Subcommittee Meetings

AGENCIES: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Reed E. Hundt, Chairman.

ACTION: Notice of the next meetings of the Spectrum Requirements, Interoperability, Technology, Operational Requirements, and Transition Subcommittees of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, this notice advises interested persons of the next meetings of the five Subcommittees of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee. The NTIA and the FCC established a Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee and Subcommittees to prepare a final report to advise the NTIA and the FCC on operational, technical and spectrum requirements of Federal, state and local Public Safety entities through the year 2010. All interested parties are invited to attend and to participate in the next round of meetings of the Subcommittees.

DATES: February 28, 29, March 1, in Orlando, Florida (Wednesday-Friday).

ADDRESSES: U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, National Law Enforcement Communications Center, Naval Training Center, 1900 Leahy Avenue, Orlando, FL 32803.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding the Subcommittees, contact:

Interoperability Subcommittee: James E. Downes at 202-622-1582

Operational Requirements Subcommittee: Paul H. Wieck at 515-281-5261

Spectrum Requirements Subcommittee: Richard N. Allen at 703-630-6617
Technology Subcommittee: Alfred Mello at 401-738-2220

Transition Subcommittee: Ronnie Rand at 904-322-2500 or 800-949-2726 ext. 600

For more information regarding accommodations and transportation, contact: Deborah Behlin at 202-418-0650 (phone), 202-418-2643 (fax), or

dbehlin@fcc.gov (email). You may also contact Ms. Behlin for general information concerning the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee. Information is also available from the Internet at the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee's homepage: <http://pswac.ntia.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The five Subcommittees of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee will hold consecutive meetings over a three day period, Wednesday through Friday, February 28, 29 and March 1, 1996. The expected arrangement of the meetings, which is subject to change at the time of the meetings, is as follows:

February 28, 1995—The Operational Requirements and Transition Subcommittees will meet consecutively starting at 9:00 a.m.

February 29, 1995—The Interoperability and Spectrum Requirements Subcommittees will meet consecutively starting at 9:00 a.m.

March 1, 1995—The Technology Subcommittee will meet starting at 9:00 a.m.

The agenda for each meeting is as follows:

1. Welcoming Remarks
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Administrative Matters
4. Work Program/Organization of Work
5. Meeting Schedule
6. Agenda for Next Meeting
7. Other Business
8. Closing Remarks

The tentative schedule and general location of future meetings of the Subcommittees of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee are as follows:

April, 1996 in San Diego, CA

May, 1996 at Scott AFB, Illinois (near St Louis, MO)

June, 1996 in Washington, D.C.

The tentative schedule and general location of the next full meetings of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee are:

June 1996, in Washington, D.C.

The Co-Designated Federal Officers of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee are William Donald Speights, NTIA, and John J. Borkowski, FCC. For public inspection, a file designated WTB-1 is maintained in the Private Wireless Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 8010, 2025 M Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.
Robert H. McNamara,
Chief, Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.
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First Meeting of the WRC-97 Advisory Committee; Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice advises interested persons that the first meeting of the WRC-97 Advisory Committee will be held on February 6, 1996 at the Federal Communications Commission. The purpose of the meeting is to begin preparations for the 1997 World Radiocommunication Conference.

DATE: February 6, 1996; 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 856, Washington, D.C. 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cecily C. Holiday, FCC International Bureau, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division, at (202) 418-0719.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As part of its preparation for the 1997 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-97), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has amended the charter of its Advisory Committee for the 1995 World Radio Conference. The Advisory Committee will now be called the Advisory Committee for the 1997 World Radiocommunication Conference and its scope of activities will be to address the issues contained in the agenda for WRC-97. A copy of the WRC-97 Agenda is attached. The FCC established the Advisory Committee to provide advice, technical support and recommendations relating to the preparation of U.S. proposals and positions for World Radiocommunication Conferences.

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, this notice advises interested persons of the first meeting of the WRC-97 Advisory Committee. Due to the severe time constraints resulting from the recent government office closures and the scheduling of a series of international meetings to consider preparations for WRC-97, this agency has concluded that exceptional circumstances warrant holding the Advisory Committee's first meeting on February 6, 1996. Public Notice of this meeting has also been published by the FCC.

The WRC-97 Advisory Committee will continue to have an open membership. All interested parties are invited to participate and to attend the meeting.

The proposed agenda for the first meeting is as follows:

Agenda

First Meeting of the WRC-97 Advisory Committee, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, NW., Room 856, Washington, DC 20036, February 6, 1996; 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

1. Opening Remarks.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Review of Results of WRC-95.
4. Review of U.S. Preparatory Process for WRC-97 (FCC-NTIA-State).
5. Structure of WRC-97 Advisory Committee.
6. Other Business.

Resolution GT PLEN-3

Agenda for the 1997 World Radiocommunication Conference

The World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1995), considering:

(a) That in accordance with Nos. 118 and 126 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), and having regard to Resolution 1 of the Additional Plenipotentiary Conference (Geneva, 1992), the general scope of the agenda for a world radiocommunication conference should be established four years in advance and a final agenda shall be established two years before the conference;

(b) Resolution 3 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994);

(c) The relevant resolutions and recommendations of previous world administrative radio conferences (WARC) and world radiocommunication conferences (WRC), recognizing that this Conference identified a number of urgent issues requiring further examination by the 1997 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-97), resolves to recommend to the Council that a World Radiocommunication Conference be held in Geneva in late 1997 for a period of four weeks, with the following agenda:

1 On the basis of proposals from administrations and the Report of the Conference Preparatory Meeting, and taking account of the results of WRC-95, to consider and take appropriate action in respect of the following topics:

1.1 Requests from administrations to delete their country footnotes or to have their country's name deleted from footnotes, if no longer required, within the limits of Resolution [COM4-1];

1.2 Issues arising from the WRC-95 consideration of the VGE Report taking

into account the following Resolutions [COM4-3];

1.3 Review of Appendix S7 [28] to the Radio Regulations, taking into account Resolution 60 (WARC-79), Resolution 712 (Rev.WRC-95) and Recommendation 711 (WARC-79);

1.4 Examination of, and taking necessary decisions on, the question of the HF bands allocated to the broadcasting service in the light of developments to date and the results of the studies carried out by the Radiocommunication Sector, and review of Article 17 [S12] of the Radio Regulations in accordance with Resolution [COM4-2] and Resolution [GT PLEN-2];

1.5 Based on the results of the studies to be carried out under Recommendation [GT PLEN-B], consider changes to the Radio Regulations, as appropriate;

1.6 Matters related to the maritime mobile and maritime mobile-satellite services:

1.6.1 The provisions of Chapters IX [Appendix S13] and NIX [Chapter SVII] of the Radio Regulations, as stipulated in Resolution 331 (Mob-87), and appropriate action in respect of the issues dealt with in Resolutions 200 (Mob-87), 210 (Mob-87) and 330 (Mob-87), including maritime certification and licensing issues related to Chapter [SIX] of the Radio Regulations, taking into account that the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) shall be fully implemented in 1999;

1.6.2 The use of Appendix 18 [S18] to the Radio Regulations in respect of the VHF band for maritime mobile communications, and the use and extension of UHF channels contained in S5.287, taking into account Resolution 310 (Mob-87);

1.6.3 Article 61 [S53] of the Radio Regulations relating to the order of priority of communications in the maritime mobile service and in the maritime mobile-satellite service;

1.6.4 Review, and if necessary, revision of the provisions related to the NAVTEX coordination in order to release the ITU from the obligation to undertake operational coordination for this service operating on 490 kHz, 518 kHz and 4 209.5 kHz, in the light of the consultations undertaken with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Resolution [COM4-7];

1.6.5 Use of the new digital technology in the maritime radiotelephony channels;

1.7 Review of Appendix 8 to the Radio Regulations taking into account Recommendation 66 (Rev.WARC-92);

1.8 The possible deletion of all secondary allocations from the band

136-137 MHz, which is allocated to the aeronautical mobile (R) service on a primary basis, in accordance with Resolution 408 (Mob-87) and in order to meet the special needs of the aeronautical mobile (R) service;

1.9 Taking into account the needs of other services to which the relevant frequency bands are already allocated:

1.9.1 Pressing issues concerning existing and possible additional frequency allocations and regulatory aspects as related to the mobile-satellite and fixed-satellite services including consideration of WRC-95 Resolutions [PLEN-1], [COM5-4, COM5-6, COM5-7, COM5-8, COM5-9, COM5-11], [GT PLEN-6] and Recommendation 717 (Rev.WRC-95);

1.9.2 Resolutions 211 (WARC-92), 710 (WARC-92) and Resolution 712 (Rev.WRC-95);

1.9.3 Recommendation 621 (WARC-92);

1.9.4 Frequency allocation issues related to the needs of the earth exploration-satellite service, which are not covered in the above-mentioned Resolutions, namely:

1.9.4.1 Allocation of frequency bands above 50 GHz to the earth exploration-satellite (passive) service;

1.9.4.2 Frequency allocations near 26 GHz to the earth exploration-satellite service (space-to-Earth);

1.9.4.3 The existing frequency allocations near 60 GHz and, if necessary, their re-allocation, with a view to protecting the earth exploration-satellite (passive) service systems operating in the unique oxygen absorption frequency range from about 50 GHz to about 70 GHz;

1.9.5 Allocations to the space research service (space-to-space) near 400 MHz;

1.9.6 The identification of suitable frequency bands above 30 GHz for use by the fixed service for high density applications;

1.10 Review of Appendices 30 [S30] and 30A [S30A] for Regions 1 and 3 in response to Resolution 524 (WARC-92), and taking particular account of *resolves* 2 of that Resolution, in accordance with Resolution [GT PLEN-1] (WRC-95) and taking into account Recommendation [COM4-B];

2 To examine the revised ITU-R Recommendations incorporated by reference in the Radio Regulations which have been communicated by the associated Radiocommunication Assembly, in accordance with Resolution [COM4-5]; and decide whether or not to update the corresponding references in the Radio Regulations, in accordance with

principles contained in the Annex to Resolution [COM4-4];

3 To consider such consequential changes and amendments to the Radio Regulations as may be necessitated by the decisions of the Conference;

4 In accordance with Resolution 94 (WARC-92), to review those resolutions and recommendations of world administrative radio conferences and world radiocommunication conferences which are relevant to agenda items 1 and 2 above with a view to their possible revision, replacement or abrogation;

5 To review, and take appropriate action on, the report from the Radiocommunication Assembly submitted in accordance with Nos. 135 and 136 of the Convention (Geneva, 1992);

6 To identify those items requiring urgent actions by the radiocommunication study groups in accordance with Resolution [GT PLEN-BB];

7 To consider the final report of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau on activities related to Resolution 18 (Kyoto, 1994);

8 In accordance with Article 7 of the Convention (Geneva, 1992):

8.1 To consider and approve the report of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau on the activities of the Radiocommunication Sector since the last Conference;

8.2 To recommend to the Council items for inclusion in the agenda for the 1999 World Radiocommunication Conference, and to give its views on the preliminary agenda for the 2001 Conference and on possible agenda items for future conferences, invites the Council to establish the agenda and make provision for WRC-97 and to initiate as soon as possible the necessary consultation with Members, instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to make the necessary arrangements to convene meetings of the Conference Preparatory Meeting and to prepare a report to WRC-97, instructs the Secretary-General to communicate this Resolution to concerned international and regional organizations.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1082-DR]

Delaware; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Delaware (FEMA-1082-DR), dated January 12, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 12, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated January 12, 1996, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Delaware, resulting from "the Blizzard of 1996", which occurred on January 6-12, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Delaware.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide reimbursement for the costs of equipment, contracts, and personnel overtime that are required to clear one lane in each direction along snow emergency routes (or select primary roads in those communities without such designated roadways), and routes necessary to allow the passage of emergency vehicles to hospitals, nursing homes, and other critical facilities. Other assistance may be added at a later date, if warranted. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management

Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Jack Schuback of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

FEMA will provide reimbursement for the costs of equipment, contracts, and personnel overtime that are required to clear one lane in each direction along snow emergency routes (or select primary roads in those communities without such designated roadways), and routes necessary to allow the passage of emergency vehicles to hospitals, nursing homes, and other critical facilities. County designations will be made at a later date.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

James L. Witt,

Director.

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[FEMA-1080-DR]

District of Columbia; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the District of Columbia (FEMA-1080-DR), dated January 11, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 11, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated January 11, 1996, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the District of Columbia, resulting from "the Blizzard of 1996", which occurred on January 6-10, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the District of Columbia.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide reimbursement for the costs of equipment, contracts, and personnel overtime that are