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**CHAIRMAN PAI STATEMENT ON D.C. CIRCUIT
INMATE CALLING DECISION**

WASHINGTON, June 13, 2017 – Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai issued the following statement today on the decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in *Global Tel*Link v. FCC*:

“Today, the D.C. Circuit agreed with my position that the FCC exceeded its authority when it attempted to impose rate caps on intrastate calls made by inmates. Looking ahead, I plan to work with my colleagues at the Commission, Congress, and all stakeholders to address the problem of high inmate calling rates in a lawful manner.”

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