

Meeting Minutes
FCC WRC-03 Advisory Committee
IWG-6, Public Protection and Other Issues
FCC, Washington, DC

Meeting: Fourth meeting of IWG-6

Date/Time: April 16, 2001, 10:00 am

Location: FCC, 445 12th. St., SW, Washington, DC

Committee Members present:

Walt Ireland, Vice-Chair

Paul Marrangoni, FCC Coordinator

Attendees: There were 18 attendees, including 6 FCC and 4 Government representatives.

Scribe: Walt Ireland

Meeting Summary:

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair (VC) called the meeting to order, presented the apologies of Larry Miller and welcomed the group, after which attendees introduced themselves.

- Agenda. The agenda was approved without objection.
- Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on March 2001 were approved.
- Preliminary Views. The following preliminary views were introduced.

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- 1.7 Amateur issues (Revision 2) Paul Rinaldo, ARRL.
(Includes 1.7.1, 1.7.2, & 1.7.3)

Rinaldo presented Document IWG-6/012 (Rev.2) of his Preliminary View, taking into account suggested changes made at the previous IWG-6 meeting.

Carl Stevenson, No Code International (NCI) (on the phone bridge), introduces an Alternative Preliminary View on Agenda Item 1.7 (Document IWG-6/024) that suggested alternate views to those presented in Rinaldo's Preliminary View, and objections specifically to Agenda Item 1.7.1, ***possible revision to Article S25***.

Stevenson suggested that the only change needed to Article S25 was the suppression of Article S25.5, which deals with Morse code qualification requirements, and that all other portions of Article S.25 remain. Stevenson also opposed a U.S. position favoring "Incorporation by Reference" of any version of the Draft New Recommendation (DNR) developed in ITU-R WP 8A, and that the U.S. not support an IARU position on this issue.

Due to the opposing views and the complexity of the issues, both documents were tabled.

As a matter of procedural clarification, the VC stated that there was one person designated to prepare a specific Preliminary View, and that all other participants with interest in a particular Agenda Item should submit their comments directly to the designated individual responsible for preparing the Preliminary View.

- 1.23 7 MHz harmonization (Rev.2) Paul Rinaldo, ARRL

This Preliminary View was approved with minor changes. FCC, NASB, and IBB representatives assisted in making the recommended changes.

- 1.38 420-470 MHz Walt Ireland, ARRL

This Preliminary View was approved with minor changes. NASA and DOD representatives assisted in making the recommended changes.

- 1.36 HFBC 4-10 MHz Ted Haney, NASB

Ted Haney, President, National Association of Short-wave Broadcasters (NASB) introduced a preliminary views on WRC-03 Agenda Items 1.36 to examine the adequacy of HFBC allocations in the band 4-10 MHz. Although the PV listed the number of hours that the U.S. private HF broadcasters out of the allocated broadcasting bands, indicating that there was an inadequacy of spectrum, it did not indicate the actual spectrum inadequacy in the 4-10 MHz band. The document was tabled for further work.

Ireland introduced W-ITU-R WP-6E/TEMP/33, ***Preliminary Views with Respect of WRC-03 Agenda Item 1.2*** (IWG-6/026) as an information document that that could be used as a guide for IWG-6 to develop a PV for Agenda Item 1.2.

Timeline and due dates:

29 August 2001	Final inputs to CITELE PCC.III (18-22 Sept 2001, Guatemala) Deadline for 1 st tier industry proposals on non-controversial issues.
26 March 2002	All IWG work completed

Other Business. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:40pm.

Next meeting: 23 May, 10:00am, FCC conference room 6-B516

Attachments:

- Agenda, 16 April, 2001
- Doc.IWG-6/008 (Rev.2) List of documents (4/16/01)
- Doc.IWG-6/027 List of attendees (4/16/01)

Reference. FCC web site for WAC/IWG meeting schedules and documentation, www.fcc.gov/wrc-03.