

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE T1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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Re: Committee T1-Sponsored

Interregional Standards Council Meeting

Dear Earl:

I am writing to ask you to provide Committee T1, at the earliest opportunity, with an official Department of State indication of support for the Interregional Standards Council (ITSC) meeting being sponsored by Committee T1 on February 20-22, 1990. A letter reflecting such support would be of great significance to Committee T1 and would go a long way in ensuring the success of the February meeting. Moreover, such a letter from the State Department would be particularly appropriate in view of the resoundedly favorable response we have received already in support of the meeting from ETSI and the TTC.

As I understand from the minutes of the U.S. National Committee meeting of November 1, 1989, and from discussions between Susan Miller, ECSA's General Counsel, and Gary Fereno, providing a letter of support for the February meeting should not create a problem for the Department of State. In fact, it would clarify any confusion which may exist from the U.S. National Committee meeting with respect to Committee T1's February effort. As you and Gary are reported to have stated, and as confirmed by Gary to Susan, the Department supports T1's "initiatives in seizing the lead" in organizing the meeting, and supports and encourages the meeting itself.

Based on this information and for your convenience, I have taken the liberty of preparing a draft letter which you may use as the State Department's indication of support to Committee T1. I think this letter will serve nicely to establish the United States' position, and put it formally on record along with ETSI and TTC, in support of Committee T1's effort.

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To reiterate, we think such a statement is appropriate and necessary to establish that the U.S. is strongly behind T1's efforts, particularly in light of the recent developments at the U.S. National Committee meeting. I am also sure that you can appreciate that time is of the essence for such a letter to be provided to Committee T1 as the ITSC meeting is quickly approaching.

I look forward to receiving your statement of support.

Very truly yours,

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