

2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Homeland Security		2019	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee		430	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	11/13/2017	11/13/2019	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date	
No	Executive Order 13811		
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority	Presidential		
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
E.O. 12382 as amended by E.O. 13286	09/13/1982	Continuing	Yes
15. Description of Committee	National Policy Issue Advisory Board		
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear		
17a. Open Meetings and Dates	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	17d. Total
No Meetings	0	0	0

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of the NSTAC is to provide critical industry-based analyses and advice to the President on policy and technical issues regarding national security and emergency preparedness (NS/EP)communications. NSTAC activities result in technical reports and recommendations to the President. Many of the recommendations are to establish operational programs. For example, the National Coordinating Center for Telecommunications (NCC), a joint industry and Government coordination center for day-to-day operational support to NS/EP telecommunications, was established as a result of an NSTAC recommendation. The NCC has now been operating successfully for more than 18 years. As an Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ISAC), the NCC serves as a clearinghouse for telecommunications industry and Government sharing of critical infrastructure protection-related information. The Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System, once a NSTAC issue, is now an operating program. TSP is the regulatory, administrative, and operational authority that enables priority provisioning and restoration of telecommunications services for Federal, State, and local government and non-governmental users. In May 2009, the NSTAC recommended the establishment of a government sponsored, joint, integrated public-private, 24-hour operational cyber incident detection, prevention, mitigation, and response capability to address cyber incidents of national consequence. Specifically, the NSTAC recommended that government build upon the current coordination/collaboration capabilities of the National Coordinating Center and the U.S. Computer "Emergency Readiness Team, both "housed" within DHS; and incorporate other existing cyber incident monitoring and response public-private entities. In October 2009, DHS opened the new National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC). The facility is a state-of-the-art 24-hour coordinated information sharing and incident response capability to protect and secure the nation's cyber networks and infrastructure. As outlined in the latest draft of the National Cyber Incident Response Plan (NCIRP), DHS, through its National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC), will coordinate national response efforts and work directly with Federal, State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial governments and private sector partners during a significant cyber event.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The NSTAC is composed of up to 30 Presidentially-appointed senior executives who represent various elements of the telecommunications industry. Members of the NSTAC

represent the Nation's telecommunications, computer software and information services, satellites, electronics, defense, and social media industries.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The NSTAC meets approximately four times per year. Typically they meet face to face twice per year and via conference call twice per year. It is vital that the NSTAC meets frequently to deliberate and vote on reports and letters and to receive feedback from its Government stakeholders from the Executive Office of the President and DHS.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The NSTAC provides policy based NS/EP recommendations to the President. The NSTAC provides a unique forum for collaboration on critical infrastructure protection, information sharing, network convergence, security and assurance, and legislation and regulation. The NSTAC provides expertise and advice to the President and the NS/EP community.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

In some instances the NSTAC meets in a closed session due to either classified or sensitive data/information being discussed that cannot be disclosed to the public. Meetings will only be closed in accordance with 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552b, The Government in the Sunshine Act.

21. Remarks

DHS recognizes the value and importance of the President's NSTAC and is actively fostering and maintaining relationships with its industry partners.

Designated Federal Officer

Helen E. Jackson Section Chief

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Altabef, Peter	12/05/2016	12/05/2019	CEO, Unisys Corporation	Representative Member
Brown, William	11/20/2012	11/20/2019	President and CEO, Harris Corporation	Representative Member
Carrigan, Robert	01/18/2017	01/18/2020	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Charney, Scott	05/26/2011	05/26/2019	Corporate Vice President, Microsoft Corporation	Representative Member
DeWalt, David	05/26/2011	05/26/2019	Founder, NightDragon Security	Representative Member
Desch, Matt	05/27/2011	05/27/2019	Chief Executive Officer, Iridium Communications, Inc.	Representative Member

Dolan, Raymond	10/08/2015	10/08/2018	President and CEO, Sonus Networks, Inc.	Representative Member
Donovan, John	12/05/2016	12/05/2018	Chief Strategy Officer and Group President of Technology and Operations, AT&T	Representative Member
Sears, Kay	12/24/2008	12/24/2018	Vice President of Strategy and Business Development, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company	Representative Member
Smith, Stephen	12/05/2016	12/05/2018	Chief Executive Office, Equinix, Inc.	Representative Member
Storey, Jeffrey	12/05/2016	12/05/2018	Chief Executive Officer, Level 3 Communications, Inc.	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 11

Narrative Description

The NSTAC provides industry-based advice and expertise to the President on issues and problems related to implementing national security and emergency preparedness (NS/EP) communications policy. The NSTAC has addressed a wide range of policy and technical issues regarding communications, information systems, information assurance, critical infrastructure protection, and other NS/EP communications concerns. The NSTAC's perspective and its experience with a broad range of Federal departments and agencies makes the NSTAC a key strategic resource for the President and his national security team in their efforts to protect our Nation's critical infrastructures in today's dynamic environment. The NSTAC recently provided recommendations to the President regarding how to better harness emerging technologies for NS/EP functions.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>

Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

439

Number of Recommendations Comments

The NSTAC has been advising the President since 1982. Since then, the NSTAC has made approximately over 400 recommendations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

28%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

DHS is tracking the NSTAC recommendations and will provide updates regarding implementation and continued progress. DHS is currently working with the National Security Council to close out recommendations from this Administration. (since 2009) Many have been implemented and need to be formally closed out.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

24%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

DHS has established a database to track progress of recommendations in order to provide periodic reviews/updates.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to

implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Updates regarding the recommendations, as appropriate, during members' quarterly conference calls and/or at the annual meeting. We also provide a written status report on the status of recommendations.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

Please note that this is a Presidential advisory committee; recommendations tasked out by the White House are delegated to multiple and various federal departments and agencies for implementation; not just to/for DHS.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

Access Comments

NSTAC Reports are published and copies are provided to the Library of Congress. All NSTAC meetings are announced in the Federal Register. The meetings are open or partially closed to the public.