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NATIONAL SECURITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (NSEP)
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Policy

Implementation and recurring costs for national level NSEP telecommunications programs (i.e., those which benefit multiple Federal departments, agencies, or entities) shall be shared on a pro rata basis determined by each organization's share of NSEP telecommunications requirements. The Executive Agent, National Communications System (NCS) shall fund all development costs for national level NSEP telecommunications programs.

Policy Principles

All NCS member organizations have NSEP telecommunications requirements and shall participate in the ongoing NSEP Telecommunications Requirements Analysis being conducted by the NCS to identify and document their respective needs.

All NCS member organizations shall participate in national level telecommunications programs, to the extent consistent with their mission responsibilities, to satisfy their NSEP telecommunication requirements.

In accordance with the provisions of E.O. 12472, Assignment of NSEP Telecommunications Functions, and NSDD-97, National Security Telecommunications Policy, the Manager, NCS, on an annual basis, shall develop proposals for a national level NSEP telecommunications program, including required funding levels. The proposed program and funding plan will be submitted for consideration by the NCS Committee of Principals and the Executive Agent and forwarded to the NSDD-97 Steering Group.
Implementation

For FY 87, DoD will continue to fund national level NSEP telecommunications programs. For FY 88 and beyond, other NCS members will share implementation and recurring costs with DoD. The method of determining each organization's share of such costs, in turn, will initially be based on the results of the ongoing NSEP Telecommunications Requirements Analysis within the NCS.

On an annual basis, the Manager, NCS, shall ensure that a proposed national level NSEP telecommunications program, including required funding levels based on each organization's share of NSEP telecommunications requirements, is submitted for consideration by the NCS Committee of Principals and the Executive Agent. The recommendations of each regarding those initiatives that should be implemented will then be provided to the NSDD-97 Steering Group by June 1 annually to include the required funding levels for the next fiscal years. The Steering Group will review these recommendations and provide approved recommendations to OMB and the agencies for use in preparation of the President's budget.

The Manager, NCS, in coordination with OMB, the Executive Agent, and the NCS Committee of Principals shall develop the necessary planning and funding procedures to implement the provisions of this NSDD.