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U.S. Civil GNSS International Cooperation

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Overview



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- Bilateral Cooperation
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Space-Based PNT Guideline: Maintain leadership in the service, provision, and use of GNSS

- Provide civil GPS services, free of direct user charges
 - Available on a continuous, worldwide basis
 - Maintain constellation consistent with published performance standards and interface specifications
 - Foreign PNT services may be used to augment and strengthen the resiliency of GPS
- Encourage global compatibility and interoperability with GPS
- Promote transparency in civil service provision
- Enable market access to industry
- Support international activities to detect and mitigate harmful interference





U.S. Objectives in Working with Other GNSS Service Providers



- Ensure compatibility ability of U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used separately or together without interfering with each individual service or signal
 - Radio frequency compatibility
 - Spectral separation between M-code and other signals
- Achieve interoperability ability of civil U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used together to provide the user better capabilities than would be achieved by relying solely on one service or signal
 - Primary focus on the common L1C and L5 signals
- Promote fair competition in the global marketplace

Pursue through Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation



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- Joint statement signed in 1998
- Cooperation focuses on compatibility and interoperability between GPS and Japan's Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS)
- QZSS monitoring stations established in Hawaii and Guam
- Annual plenary meeting held Jan 2012
 - Both sides reaffirmed close cooperation on GNSS issues, no major outstanding problems or issues
 - GPS-QZSS Technical Working Group completed, released its report



Russia



- GPS-GLONASS discussions ongoing since 1996
- Working Group 1 met in June 2011 to discuss Russian augmentation system (SDCM), assignment of PRN codes, and GLONASS CDMA signal plans
- Working Group 2 met Oct-Nov 2011 to discuss joint search and rescue capabilities
- Joint statement signed in Sept 2011 reaffirming intent to continue cooperation







- GPS-Galileo Agreement signed in 2004, ratified by EU in December 2011
- GPS-Galileo issues discussed at U.S.-EU Space Policy Dialogue in Brussels, June 2011
- ITU coordination meetings held in Sept and Dec 2011
 - Focused on GPS III, WAAS, EGNOS
- Trade working group met in Oct 2011 to discuss commercial issues, including potential LightSquared impacts to GNSS
- Annual plenary meeting scheduled for June 2012







- U.S. and China concluded ITU operator-to-operator coordination on GPS-COMPASS signal compatibility in Sept 2010
- Discussions on broader cooperation issues take place during meetings of the International Committee on GNSS
- Officials from both nations participated in bilateral GNSS workshop in Shanghai organized by U.S. and Chinese engineering academies, May 2011







- Joint statement on GNSS cooperation signed 2007
- Third U.S.-India Joint Working Group on Civil Space Cooperation held July 2011
- Parties agreed to resume work on interoperability between GPS and India's GPS Aided Geo Augmented Navigation (GAGAN) system and Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS)







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International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG)



- Emerged from UNISPACE III (1999)
 - Promote the use of GNSS and its integration into infrastructures, particularly in developing countries
 - Encourage compatibility and interoperability among global and regional systems
 - Met annually since 2006
- Members include:
 - GNSS providers: China, EU, India, Japan, Russia, United States
 - Other interested UN Member States
 - International organizations/associations





- 6th ICG meeting held in Tokyo, Sept 2011
- U.S. Presentations:
 - U.S. system and policy update, including information on LightSquared situation
 - GNSS for disaster management
 - FAA update
- U.S. Proposals:
 - Potential improvements to ICG website
 - Joint Japan-U.S. recommendation for Interference Detection and Mitigation (IDM) Workshop
 - Recommendation for GNSS service providers to define the Space Service Volume





- Approved IDM Workshop
- Development of multi-GNSS monitoring networks was major topic of discussion
 - ICG endorsed IGS Multi-GNSS Experiment
 - A subgroup will collectively investigate international GNSS monitoring and assessment
- Compatibility subgroup will initiate collaboration on Open Service GNSS performance parameters
- Completed templates describing geodetic and timing references for all systems





Providers Forum

✓ Providers Forum System Report

- Principles of Compatibility, Interoperability, and Transparency
 - Template for Performance Standards (and ICDs)
 - Postulated Performance Standards for future services
 - Service Assurances or Commitments
 - Monitoring of service performance
 - Interference monitoring







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- U.S. policy encourages worldwide use of civil GPS and augmentations
- International cooperation at all levels is a priority
- Compatibility, interoperability, and transparency in open service provision are critical



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