

1 (2) The term “Office” means the Office of
2 Telecommunications Policy established in section 3.

3 (3) The term “Deputy Director” means the
4 Deputy Director of the Office appointed under sec-
5 tion 5(b).

6 (4) The term “Director” means the Director of
7 the Office appointed under section 5(a).

8 ESTABLISHMENT

9 SEC. 3. There is hereby established in the Executive
10 Office of the President the Office of Telecommunications
11 Policy.

12 FUNCTIONS

13 SEC. 4. (a) The Office, acting through the Director,
14 shall—

15 (1) take such action as may be necessary to
16 provide for the preparation of national telecommuni-
17 cations policy options;

18 (2) serve as the principal advisor to the Presi-
19 dent in matters relating to telecommunications is-
20 sues and policies;

21 (3) act as the arbiter of disputes and dif-
22 ferences which may arise between or among Govern-
23 ment agencies in connection with the development
24 and implementation of national telecommunications
25 policies;

1 (4) communicate the views of Government
2 agencies, as well as the views of the President, with
3 respect to telecommunications matters to the Fed-
4 eral Communications Commission, and communicate
5 the views of the President and Government agencies
6 (other than the Commission) to the Congress;

7 (5) monitor the development of new tele-
8 communications technologies, study the effects of
9 new telecommunications facilities, services, and sys-
10 tems, and make recommendations to the President
11 and to the Congress with respect to the introduction
12 of new technologies into the national economy; and

13 (6) perform such other functions vested in the
14 President relating to telecommunications as the
15 President may delegate to the Office.

16 (b) The authority of the Office under this Act shall
17 not affect the authority of the Federal Communications
18 Commission under the Communications Act of 1934 or the
19 Satellite Communications Act of 1962.

20 (c) The functions of the Office under subsection
21 (a)(3) and (4), and the corresponding obligations of other
22 agencies affected thereunder, shall be in accordance with
23 regulations which the President shall prescribe.

24 DIRECTOR AND STAFF; ORGANIZATION OF OFFICE

25 SEC. 5. (a) The head of the Office shall be the Direc-
26 tor, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with

1 the advice and consent of the Senate. The Director shall
2 be paid at a rate equal to the rate of basic pay which
3 is payable from time to time for level II of the Executive
4 Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States
5 Code.

6 (b) The Office shall have a Deputy Director, who
7 shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice
8 and consent of the Senate. The Deputy Director shall be
9 paid at a rate equal to the rate of basic pay which is pay-
10 able from time to time for level IV of the Executive Sched-
11 ule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code. The
12 Deputy Director shall perform such duties and exercise
13 such powers as the Director may prescribe. The Deputy
14 Director shall act for, and exercise the powers of, the Di-
15 rector during any absence or disability of the Director or
16 during any vacancy in the office of Director.

17 (c)(1)(A) The Director may appoint not more than
18 two full-time professional staff members who shall perform
19 such duties as the Director may direct. The Deputy Direc-
20 tor may appoint not more than one such staff member
21 who shall perform such duties as the Deputy Director may
22 direct.

23 (B) The appointments specified in subparagraph (A)
24 may be made without regard to the provisions of title 5,
25 United States Code, governing appointments in the com-

1 petitive service. Such staff member may be paid without
2 regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III
3 of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code, relating to
4 classification and General Schedule pay rates. The Direc-
5 tor may fix the compensation of not more than one such
6 staff member at a rate not in excess of the maximum rate
7 payable from time to time for grade GS-18 of the General
8 Schedule under section 5332 of title 5, United States
9 Code. The remaining staff members appointed under sub-
10 paragraph (A) may be compensated at a rate fixed by the
11 Director or the Deputy Director, as the case may be, not
12 in excess of the maximum rate payable from time to time
13 for grade GS-16 of the General Schedule under section
14 5332 of title 5, United States Code.

15 (2) The Director may appoint and fix the pay of such
16 clerical and other support personnel as the Director con-
17 siders desirable. Such personnel shall be appointed subject
18 to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing
19 appointments in the competitive service, and shall be paid
20 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 51 and sub-
21 chapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classi-
22 fication and General Schedule pay rates.

23 (d) The Director may organize the personnel of the
24 Office into such bureaus, divisions, or offices as the Direc-
25 tor may consider necessary.

1 AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS OF DIRECTOR

2 SEC. 6. (a) The Director shall exercise all the execu-
3 tive and administrative functions of the Office.

4 (b) The Director—

5 (1) may obtain services as authorized in section
6 3109 of title 5, United States Code, at rates not to
7 exceed the daily rate prescribed for GS-18 of the
8 General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5,
9 United States Code, for persons employed intermit-
10 tently in Federal Government service;

11 (2) may delegate to the Deputy Director, or to
12 any other employee of the Office, any authority of
13 the Director established in this Act;

14 (3) shall prescribe such rules as may be nec-
15 essary to carry out the provisions of this Act;

16 (4) shall distribute business among any person-
17 nel appointed under section 5(c)(2), and among any
18 bureaus, divisions, or offices established under sec-
19 tion 5(d);

20 (5) shall administer the use and expenditure of
21 funds available to the Office;

22 (6) shall coordinate and organize the work of
23 the Office in order to promote prompt and efficient
24 disposition of all matters within the jurisdiction of
25 the Office; and

1 the effective date provided for in section 9, make a report
2 to the President for submission to the Congress relating
3 to the activities of the Office during the preceding fiscal
4 year.

5 (b) Each report made by the Director under sub-
6 section (a) shall—

7 (1) describe actions taken by the Office in con-
8 nection with the preparation of national tele-
9 communications policies in accordance with section
10 4(1);

11 (2) identify and analyze emerging trends in
12 telecommunications; and

13 (3) include such other information as the Direc-
14 tor considers appropriate.

15 (c) In any case in which the Office submits views to
16 the Federal Communications Commission under section
17 4(a)(4) and the Commission takes any final action after
18 such submittal which is inconsistent with such views, the
19 Commission shall, within twenty days of such final action
20 is taken, submit a report to the President and to the Con-
21 gress setting forth the reasons therefor.

22 EFFECTIVE DATE

23 SEC. 9. The provisions of this Act shall take effect
24 ninety days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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