U.S. Space-Based Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT) Policy and International Cooperation

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General Topics

- U.S. Space-Based Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT) Policy and Organization
- Keys to GPS Success
- U.S. Bi-lateral Satellite Navigation Cooperation
- U.S. Multi-lateral and Regional Satellite Navigation Cooperation



U.S. Space-Based PNT Policy History



- 1978: First GPS satellite launched
- 1983: U.S. President offers free civilian access to GPS
- 1996: U.S. policy establishes joint civil/military GPS management
- 1997: U.S. Congress passes law that civil GPS shall be provided free of direct user fees
- 2000: U.S. President set Selective Availability to "Zero"
- 2004: U.S. President issues U.S. Policy on Space-Based PNT
- 2007: U.S. President announces Selective Availability will no longer be built into modernized GPS III satellites



U.S. Space-Based PNT Policy

- Provide GPS and augmentations free of direct user fees on a continuous, worldwide basis
- Provide open, free access to information needed to develop equipment
- Continue to improve performance of GPS and augmentations

- Encourage international development of PNT systems based on GPS
- Seek to ensure international systems are interoperable with civil GPS and augmentations
- Address mutual security concerns with international providers to prevent hostile use

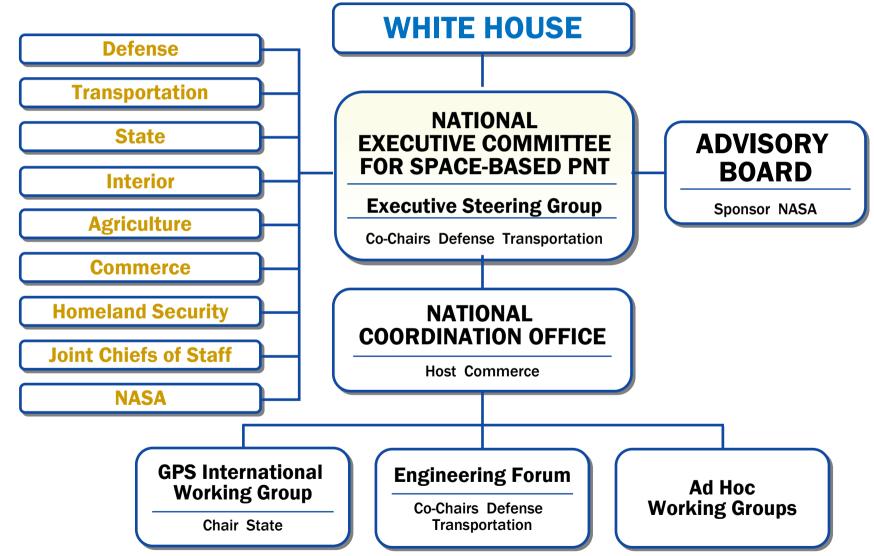


U.S. Space-Based PNT Policy: Organization

- Recognizes the changing international scene
 - Other nations are implementing space-based systems that provide PNT services
- National Executive Committee for Space-Based PNT
 - Chaired by Deputy Secretaries of Defense and Transportation
 - Membership includes: State, Interior, Agriculture,
 Commerce, Homeland Security, Joint Chiefs of Staff and
 NASA
- Established National Coordination Office (NCO) with staff from each member agency



U.S. National Space-Based PNT Organization Structure





Keys to the Global Success of GPS

Program Stability and Performance

Policy Stability and Transparency

 Private Sector Entrepreneurship and Investment

U.S. Policy Promotes Global Use of GPS/GNSS Technology

- No direct user fees for civil GPS services
 - Provided on a continuous, worldwide basis
- Open, public signal structures for all civil services
 - Promotes equal access for user equipment manufacturing, applications development, and valueadded services
- Encourages open, market-driven competition
- Service improvements for civil, commercial, and scientific users worldwide
- Global compatibility and interoperability with GPS



Private Sector Competition

- Encourage fair competition in the private sector in GNSS receiver and application markets
 - Leads to greater innovation, lower costs
- Fair competition means no preferential treatment for any particular company (s)
 - Equal (if not open) access to information and markets
- Freedom of choice desired for end users
 - Standards and other governmental measures should not effectively mandate use of one GNSS over another
- U.S. consultations with other GNSS providers consider non-discriminatory approaches to trade in civil applications markets



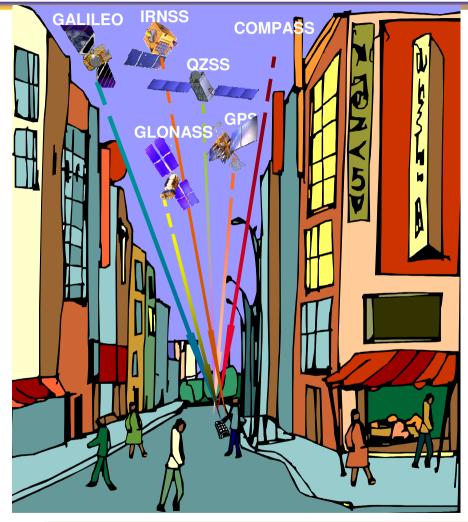
U.S. Objectives in Working with Other GNSS Service Providers

- 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
- Ensure a level playing field in the global marketplace

Pursue through Bi-lateral and Multi-lateral Cooperation



The Goal of RNSS Civil Interoperability



 Ideal interoperability allows navigation with one signal each from four or more systems with no additional receiver cost or complexity

 $Interoperable = Better\ Together\ than\ Separate$



U.S. Bilateral Cooperation

- U.S.-Japan Joint Statement on GPS Cooperation in 1998
 - Japan is a global leader in applications and commercial GNSS markets
 - Japan's Quasi Zenith Satellite System (QZSS) designed to be fully compatible and highly interoperable with GPS
 - U.S. working with Japan to set up QZSS monitoring stations in Hawaii and Guam in exchange for data access
- U.S.-Russia Joint Statement issued in December 2004
 - Negotiations for a U.S.-Russia Agreement on satellite navigation cooperation underway since late 2005
 - Working Groups on compatibility/interoperability, search and rescue
- U.S.- India Joint Statement on GNSS Cooperation in 2007
 - Important topic is ionospheric distortion/solutions to this phenomena
 - Technical Meetings focused on GPS-India Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS) compatibility and interoperability held in January and July 2008



U.S. - Europe Cooperation

- 2004 U.S.-EU agreement provides foundation for cooperation
- Four working groups were set up under the agreement:
 - Technical, trade, future system, and security issues
- Improved new civil signal (MBOC) adopted in July 2007
- First Plenary Meeting successfully held in October 2008



Oct. 22, 2008, EU-U.S. Plenary delegations meeting under the auspices of the GPS-Galileo Cooperation Agreement



Signing ceremony for GPS-Galileo Cooperation Joint Statement, Oct. 23, 2008 (Michel Bosco, European Commission; Kenneth Hodgkins, U.S. Department of State)



International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG)

- ICG-3 held in December 2008 in Pasadena, California
- Began implementation of the ICG Work Plan within established working groups:
 - A. Interoperability and compatibility
 - B. Enhancement of performance of GNSS services
 - C. Information dissemination and capacity building
 - D. Interaction with international organizations, national, and regional authorities e.g. Geodetic Reference Frames including EUPOS, EUREF, APRSAF, AFREF, SIRGAS,
- Providers Forum: includes U.S., Russia, EU, China, India, Japan
 - Updated definitions of interoperability and compatibility
- Russia will host the 4th ICG and Providers Forum in St. Petersburg in September 2009



Summary

- International cooperation in the context of U.S. Space-Based PNT Policy principles is a top priority for the U.S. Government
- Keys to GPS success include program stability and performance; policy stability and transparency; and private sector initiative and investment
- The U.S. is actively engaged in bi-lateral, multilateral and regional cooperation on satellite navigation issues
- Compatibility and civil interoperability are the keys to "success for all"