International Association of Chiefs of Police

RESOLUTION

Support for APCO Project 25 Standards on Digital Radio Communications for Public Safety

Approved at the Annual Business Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, on October 20, 1993

WHEREAS: The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) supports a standard for digital radio communications systems;

WHEREAS: The IACP supports a standard that provides effective and reliable inter-agency and intra-agency radio communications capability;

WHEREAS: The IACP supports a standard that requires an "open architecture" for digital radio communications systems;

WHEREAS: The IACP supports a standard that considers the compatibility and graceful migration requirements of public safety communications systems, and;

WHEREAS: The IACP supports a standard that stimulates manufacturer competition in procurement throughout a system's lifecycle, and;

WHEREAS: The IACP supports a standard that stimulates the development of "user friendly" radio communications hardware and software, and;

WHEREAS: The Associated Public Safety Communications Officials International (APCO), with the support of the IACP, the National Association of State Telecommunications Directors, the Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the Department of Defense and National Communications Systems, began their project 25 initiative in 1989 to establish standards for the development of digital radio communications systems consistent with the needs of public safety, and;

WHEREAS: A coalition of local, state and federal public safety agency users actively supports APCO Project 25, and;

WHEREAS: APCO's Project 25 initiative includes international public safety participation and its standard setting process reflects and supports the digital radio communications needs of the international law enforcement community, and;

WHEREAS: APCO's Project 25 initiative includes the participation of international radio communications manufacturers, and;

WHEREAS: APCO's Project 25 initiative supports the IACP interest in and specific recommendations for additional spectrum dedicated to public safety applications, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the International Association of Chiefs of Police joins other public safety organizations in supporting the APCO Project 25 initiative and its standard setting process for digital radio communications systems for public safety, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the International Association of Chief of Police encourages other public safety agencies and organizations to actively participate in the APCO standard setting process.