



## RECORD OF DECISIONS

From: Broadcasting Board of Governors  
Date: April 11, 2014  
Subject: **Decisions of Board at BBG Meeting of April 11, 2014**

The Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) met today at BBG Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The meeting was open for public attendance as seating capacity allowed and for public observation via streaming on the BBG website.

The meeting was attended by the following Board members:

Chairman Jeffrey Shell  
Governor Matthew Armstrong  
Governor Ryan Crocker  
Governor Susan McCue  
Governor Michael Meehan  
Governor Kenneth Weinstein  
Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs Richard Stengel (via telephone)

The Broadcasting Board of Governors agreed to the following decision elements (all decisions were adopted by a unanimous vote unless otherwise indicated):

1. Adoption of Minutes of February 25, 2014. The Board adopted the minutes of the February 25, 2014 meeting of the plenary Board as set forth in Attachment 1.
2. Resolution for David Burke Distinguished Journalism Awards. The Board adopted the resolution for the David Burke Distinguished Journalism Awards as set forth in Attachment 2.
3. Updated Policy Regarding Non-Disclosure of Deliberative Information. The Board adopted the updated policy regarding non-disclosure of deliberative information as set forth in Attachment 3.
4. Resolution for a Code of Conduct for the BBG Board. The Board adopted the resolution for a Code of Conduct for the BBG Board as set forth in Attachment 4.
5. Policy Statement on the Prohibition of Harassment. The Board adopted the policy statement on the prohibition of harassment as set forth in Attachment 5.

6. Adoption of Recommendations of Special Committee on Internet Anti-Censorship (IAC). The Board heard a report from Governor Weinstein regarding the IAC Committee meetings held on April 4 and 10, 2014. The Board adopted the following recommendations by the IAC Committee:
- i. The current approach to allocating funds for IAC activities among BBG-sponsored entities shall remain the same, and the spend plan that is submitted to congress shall reflect an allocation of half of the \$25.5 million in FY 2014 funds to the Technology, Services and Innovation division of the International Broadcasting Bureau (TSI) and the other half (by means of a grant amendment) to Radio Free Asia, inc. (RFA). The BBG should endeavor to obligate IAC program funds provided to TSI and RFA by the end of FY 2014.
  - ii. The Interim Management Team be directed to coordinate and de-conflict the proposed spend plan, prior to its submission to congress, with the U.S. Department of State and U.S. Agency for International Development, as required by the act.
  - iii. TSI and RFA be directed, respectively, to submit to the IAC committee and the Interim Management Team, detailed implementation plans and documentation demonstrating responsible and effective use of the IAC funds.
  - iv. IAC program funds provided to TSI and RFA should be subject to appropriate oversight protocols and procedures, in accordance with current law and regulation, to be developed henceforth by the IAC committee.
7. Resolution on the U.S. International Media Strategy in Iran. The Board adopted the resolution on the U.S. international media strategy in Iran as set forth in Attachment 6.

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Jeffrey Shell  
Chairman

Witnessed:

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Paul Kollmer-Dorsey  
Secretary

Attachments:

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