Statement of Chairman James H. Quello In the Matter of Fox Television Stations Inc. June 29, 1993

I fully support the decision to waive the broadcast-newspaper crossownership rule on the facts presented to the Commission. As the Commission stressed when it adopted the rule, permanent waivers are appropriate if it appears that applying it would undermine the purposes of our crossownership policy. In this case, I believe a waiver is necessary to avoid the risk of diminishing media diversity that would be caused by the threatened demise of the *New York Post*.

Additionally, certain parties to this proceeding have requested that I recuse myself. After fully considering their comments, as well as the facts and applicable law, I decline to do so.

I will issue a more comprehensive separate statement when the full text of this ruling is released.