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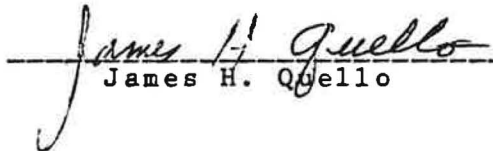
TO: Thomas P. Stanley,
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FROM: Commissioner James H. Quello

SUBJ: National Public Safety Plan

DATE: July 9, 1987

The Commission has allocated 6 MHz to Public Safety Services to provide for Public Safety needs (See General Docket Nos. 84-1231, 84-1233, 84-1234). The Commission is also required to respond to a Congressional mandate to develop a national public safety plan. The Commission adopted an NPRM (General Docket No. 87-112) proposing policies and rules designed to accommodate present and future requirements of the public safety services -- most importantly, a national plan. I had several edits included in the NPRM. I have also been reviewing comments and have had a member of my staff attend committee meetings. I have several concerns, such as: (1) The national plan appears to be less than national in scope and will take several years to implement; (2) no mention is made to coordinate a similar "national" plan effort underway at FEMA; and, (3) the exclusion of efficient technology currently being tested by public safety services. As a result of the record-to-date, I am requesting that OET provide me with an array of options or alternatives pertaining to a "national plan" for public safety.


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Attachment (FYI)

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