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The Honorable Robert M. McDowell  
Commissioner  
U.S. Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
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Dear Commissioner McDowell:

Thank you for appearing at the joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, and the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations entitled "Fighting for Internet Freedom: Dubai and Beyond" on February 5, 2013.

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for 10 business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

Also included are requests from Members that you agreed to provide for the record. The format of your responses to these requests should follow the same format as your responses to the attached additional questions for the record.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please e-mail your responses, in Word or PDF format, to [Charlotte.Savercool@mail.house.gov](mailto:Charlotte.Savercool@mail.house.gov) by the close of business on Tuesday, March 19, 2013.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,



Greg Walden  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

cc: The Honorable Anna Eshoo, Ranking Member,  
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

Attachments

## **Attachment 1—Member Requests for the Record**

*During the hearing, Members asked you to provide information for the record. For your convenience, relevant excerpts from the hearing transcript regarding these requests are provided below.*

### **The Honorable Ted Poe**

1. So my question to you is, should there be, first, on one end and I am just asking for your opinion any consequences for countries that seem to want government control of the Internet, or not? And, second, a little more specific: how we can be prepared to communicate better to these the vast majority of countries, as Ambassador Gross has mentioned, that still haven't made up their mind.

So three questions: ITU procedure; any consequences; and what can we specifically do?

### **The Honorable Brad Sherman**

1. Should we have done more to tell countries that, to use the language here in Congress, we are scoring the vote? That is to say, that those making other important U.S. foreign policy decisions are taking note of how countries vote at the ITU? Is that undue pressure or a demonstration of how important Internet freedom is?

## **Attachment 2—Additional Questions for the Record**

### **The Honorable Greg Walden**

1. In his testimony, Mr. Feld asserts that "No one brought up Net Neutrality in Dubai." As part of the core delegation of U.S. Government employees, was this your experience?
2. The United Nations does have a place for countries to discuss governance of the Internet – the Internet Governance Forum. What are your thoughts on the IGF and how can the U.S. help develop the IGF as part of a true multistakeholder process?

### **The Honorable Anna Eshoo**

1. As a way of paying for the expansion of broadband, some developing nations have suggested the use of telecom-style termination fees on Internet traffic. To counteract this effort, what tangible actions do you think the United States should take in working with developing nations to promote deployment and expand investment of broadband?

### **The Honorable Henry Waxman**

1. Did you see any positive outcomes from the U.S. perspective resulting from the WCIT negotiations?