

## **GNSS International Activities Update**

Civil GPS Service Interface Committee Meeting Baltimore, MD

#### Jeffrey Auerbach

Office of Space and Advanced Technology Bureau of Oceans, and International Environmental & Scientific Affairs U.S. Department of State

06 June 2014



U.S. National Space Policy

#### Space-Based PNT Guideline: Maintain leadership in the service, provision, and use of GNSS

- Provide civil GPS services, free of direct user charges
  - Available on a continuous, worldwide basis
  - Maintain constellation consistent with published performance standards and interface specifications
  - Foreign PNT services may be used to complement services from GPS
- Encourage global *compatibility* and *interoperability* with GPS
- Promote transparency in civil service provision
- Enable market access to industry
- Support international activities to detect and mitigate harmful interference



#### National Space-Based PNT Organization





### U.S. Policy Promotes Global Use of GPS Technology

- No direct user fees for civil GPS services
  - Provided on a continuous, worldwide basis
- Open, public signal structures for all civil services
  - Promotes equal access for user equipment manufacturing, applications development, and valueadded services
  - Encourages open, market-driven competition
- Global compatibility and interoperability with GPS
- Service improvements for civil, commercial, and scientific users worldwide
- Protection of radionavigation spectrum from disruption and interference



Planned GNSS

- Global Constellations
  - GPS (24+)
  - GLONASS (30)
  - GALILEO (27+3)
  - BEIDOU (27+3 IGSO + 5 GEO)



- Regional Constellations
  - QZSS (4+3)
  - IRNSS (7)
- Satellite-Based Augmentations
  - WAAS (3)
  - MSAS (2)
  - EGNOS (3)
  - GAGAN (2)
  - SDCM (3)



### U.S. Objectives in Working with Other GNSS Service Providers

- Ensure compatibility ability of U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used separately or together without interfering with each individual service or signal
  - Radio frequency compatibility
  - Spectral separation between M-code and other signals
- Achieve interoperability ability of civil U.S. and non-U.S. space-based PNT services to be used together to provide the user better capabilities than would be achieved by relying solely on one service or signal
- Promote fair competition in the global marketplace

Pursue through Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation



# Bilateral Cooperation: China

- Operator-to-operator coordination under ITU auspices for GPS & Beidou was completed in September 2010
- Following China Satellite Navigation Conference in 2011:
  - Workshop on GNSS conducted by the Chinese Academy of Engineering and U.S. National Academy of Engineering
  - Meeting between the CAAC and U.S. FAA focused on aviation satellite navigation issues
- On going cooperation with China Satellite Navigation Office (CSNO) and China National Administration of GNSS and Applications (CNAGA), on the margins of the International Committee on GNSS (ICG)
- Delegations from both nations met on May 19 in Beijing to discuss civil cooperation topics such as interoperability, service monitoring, interference detection, spectrum protection, and civil aviation applications



# **Bilateral Cooperation: Europe**

- GPS-Galileo Agreement signed in 2004, ratified by EU in December 2011
  - Four working groups established under the Agreement
- Working groups continue to meet regularly as needed
  - Working Group B met in March & June 2014
- ITU coordination meeting March 2014
  - Focused on Galileo compatibility with GPS III
- Bilateral Plenary meeting held June 2014 in Torrejon, Spain



# **Bilateral Cooperation: India**

- U.S. India Joint statement signed in 2007
  - Cooperation on GPS and GPS augmentations
  - Expanded effort to ensure interoperability between GPS and GAGAN
- ITU compatibility coordination Meeting in early 2013
- U.S.-India Civil Space Joint Working Group (CSJWG) bilateral meeting held in Washington, DC in March 2013



**Bilateral Cooperation: Japan** 

- Joint statement signed in 1998
- Cooperation focuses on compatibility and interoperability between GPS and Japan's Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS)
- Hosting of QZSS monitoring stations in Hawaii and Guam
- Annual plenary meeting held July 2013
  - Both sides reaffirmed close cooperation on GNSS issues, no major outstanding problems or issues
- GPS-QZSS Technical Working Group met in May 2014 to discuss compatibility coordination under the ITU auspices



- GPS-GLONASS discussions ongoing since 1996, and Joint Statement issued December 2004
- Working group on search and rescue capabilities meets regularly
- Joint statements signed in September 2011 and June 2012 reaffirming intent to continue cooperation
- May 2012 request to consider hosting SDCM sites within U.S. territory to monitor GLONASS civil signals is still under review within the U.S. Government



### International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG)

- Emerged from 3rd UN Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space July 1999
  - Promote the use of GNSS and its integration into infrastructures, particularly in developing countries
  - Encourage compatibility and interoperability among global and regional systems
- Members include:
  - GNSS Providers (U.S., EU, Russia, China, India, Japan)
  - Other Member States of the United Nations
  - International organizations/associations



http://www.oosa.unvienna.org/oosa/en/SAP/gnss/icg.html



### ICG-8 Meeting in Dubai: Nov 10-14, 2013

- Interference Detection and Mitigation (IDM) Task Force established — Focus on developing a common set of information to be reported to
  - GNSS civil service centers
  - Third IDM Workshop to be held in 2014 (ITU will host)
- Interoperability Task Force established
  - Focus on analyzing the results of the April 2013 U.S. hosted Interoperability Workshop

 Additional System Provider-hosted Interoperability Workshops to be held in 2014

- Multi-GNSS monitoring: International GNSS Monitoring and Assessment (IGMA) Task Force to focus on:
  - Identifying what service parameters should be monitored
  - Defining the level and methods for carrying out the monitoring

 Consensus that achieving a fully interoperable GNSS space service volume would provide significant performance benefits that no single system could provide on its own

#### ICG-9 will be hosted by the EU in Prague, November 2014



- ICG recommendations resulted in two IDM workshops
  - June 2012 and April 2013
- IDM Task Force created under Working Group A at ICG-8 meeting in Dubai
  - China and U.S. are Task Force Leads
- Concrete outcomes and recommendations resulted from workshops
- Third IDM Workshop scheduled for July 2014



## ICG Interoperability Workshops

- First Workshop held April 2013
  - Hosted by the U.S. in Honolulu
  - Result of ICG recommendation from Working Group A
- Two other workshops held in 2014
  - Russia hosted Workshop in April and China hosted Workshop in May
- IDM Task Force created under Working Group A
  - China and U.S. are Task Force Leads
- Goal of workshops is to get industry/user feedback on GNSS interoperability



Progress at ICG in GNSS Civil Service Provision

## ✓ Providers Forum

## ✓ Providers Forum System Report

- ✓ Principles of Compatibility, Interoperability, and Transparency
  - Template for Performance Standards (and ICDs)
    - Postulated Performance Standards for future services
      - Service Assurances or Commitments
        - Monitoring of service performance
          - Interference monitoring



### APEC GNSS Implementation Team (GIT)

- Established in 2002
- Promote implementation of regional GNSS augmentation systems to enhance inter-modal transportation and recommend actions to be considered in the Asia Pacific Region
- Reports to Transportation Working Group (TPT-WG) through the Inter-modal Experts Group (IEG)
- Adopted a GNSS Strategy designed to promote adoption of GNSS technologies throughout the Asia Pacific region, especially with regard to transportation
- 19<sup>th</sup> GIT meeting held April 2014 in Christchurch, New Zealand



- U.S. policy encourages worldwide GPS use
- International cooperation to ensure compatibility, interoperability, and transparency is a priority
- Progress continues multilaterally through ICG workshops
- Policy stability, service transparency, and continuous improvement are the keys to success in GNSS Programs



## For Additional Information...



#### www.gps.gov