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Establishing a National Standardization Secretariat: NSS Example - USA

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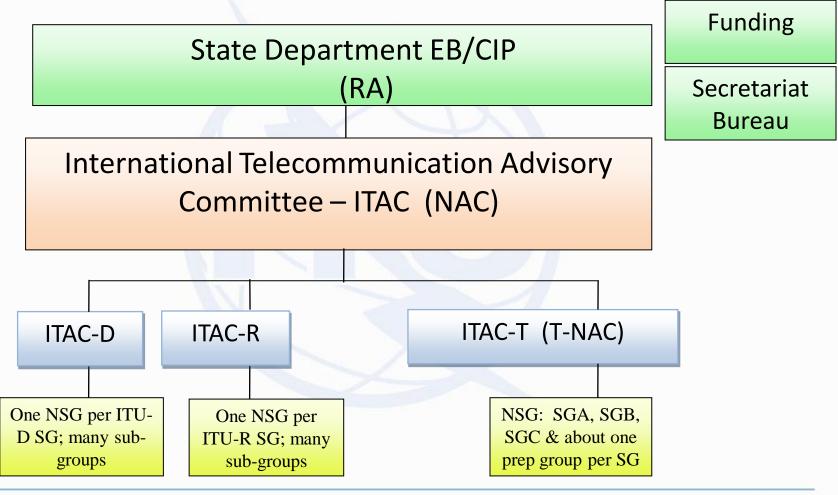
USA Implementation of an NSS

- Responsible Agency for ITU is the US Department of State (DoS)
 - ITU is under the Economic & Business Affairs Bureau/ Communication and Information Policy (EB/CIP)
- An NSS is implemented as the "International Telecommunication Advisory Committee" (ITAC)
 - Chartered under "Federal Advisory Committee Act"
 - Provides advice to DoS from public & private sector
- FCC and other US government agencies play key, cooperative and collaborative roles





USA ITAC







International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC)

- Preparations for IGOs dealing with telecom
 - ITU, CITEL, OECD, APEC-TEL
- ITAC meetings are open to the public and are announced in advance
- Committees under ITAC have chairmen from the public and private sectors
- Extensive use of electronic working methods in addition to physical meetings





ITAC Coordination Functions

- Prepare for international meetings, including developing national positions, contributions and representation
- Head national delegations
- Represent the Member State
- Delegation management policies
- Report after the international meeting
- Authorize requests to join ITU-T by private sector entities
- Authorize requests for a TIES account





ITAC Secretariat Bureau functions

- Monitor Circular Letters from the ITU-T
- Collaborate with the appropriate ITAC chairperson to ensure timely responses to ITU-T
- Distribute ITU-T-related information
- Host websites for major conferences
- Maintain e-mail reflector lists
- Train delegates to major conferences
- Assist with organizing meetings of ITAC committees
- Report on preparatory processes to ITAC
- Process and submit inputs to ITU-T





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