II. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE KENNARD DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE: 1999-2000

AFRICA

- Oct. 2000: Videoconference between FCC experts and officials from the **Uganda** Communications Commission on competition, price regulation and interconnection.

- Sept. 2000: FCC experts and **Ghana** regulators sponsored by USAID participate in West African telecom conference in Abuja, Nigeria discussing interconnection, spectrum management and Internet issues.

- May 15 – 26, 2000: FCC and USAID host discussions and training for representatives of the regulatory agencies and ministries of communication of **Ghana**, **Uganda** and **South Africa** on: regulatory process; numbering; universal service; Internet/convergence/E-commerce; interconnection; spectrum allocation and management; wireless services; enforcement; competition and pricing and broadcasting.

Chairman Kennard at SBC/Telkom rural service site in Lusaka, South Africa

- April 18, 2000: FCC staff members provide technical assistance to **Ghana**'s National Communications Authority on allocation planning for personal communications systems.

- April 24 – May 12, 2000: FCC staff facilitate participation by two engineers from **Ghana**'s NCA in a series of training programs organized by the U.S. Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI), including Practical Applications of Spectrum Mgmt & Monitoring in Sunnyvale, CA; Digital Switching Concepts & Applications in Richardson, TX and Database Applications for Spectrum Licensing, Management & Monitoring in Washington, D.C.

- Sept 1999: FCC staff consultations with **Ghana** regulators on bandwidth and CDMA/TDMA satellite systems.

🌍 Sept 1999: FCC staff provides technical documentation regarding agency administration and procedures to **South African** regulators.

🌍 Aug. 1999: FCC Workshop in Johannesburg for **South African** Telecommunications Regulatory Agency (SATRA) on universal service; pro-competitive regulation; ethics and regulatory transparency.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

🌍 November 2000: Chairman Kennard attends the ITU Development Regulator's Symposium, Geneva and holds bilateral meetings with senior regulators from **Peru.**

🌍 November 2000: FCC and **Argentine** officials coordinate at Lima meeting of the Inter-American Telecommunications Commission to promote hemispheric discussion on role of cost models in universal service funding regimes.

🌍 June 2000: During bilateral discussions in Washington, D.C., Chairman Kennard and **Argentina**'s Communications Secretary, Henoch Aguiar, discuss use of the FCC's HCPM cost model in Aguiar's reform program.

OSIPTEL Chairman Jorge Kunigami and Chairman Kennard at signing of FCC-OSIPTEL work plan, Lima Peru, March 2000

🌍 April-June 2000: FCC experts conduct in-depth discussion of interconnection issues in a series of face-to-face meetings and tele- and video-conferences with officials from **Peru**'s OSIPTEL seeking to develop a new interconnection policy. In June 2000, OSIPTEL publicly proposes to decrease in the interconnection rate from 3.4 cents/minute to 1.67 cents/minute as the first step to bring interconnection rates down to less than a penny per minute over an 18-month period.

🌍 May 23, 2000: FCC staff provide detailed written explanation of various aspects of the U.S. licensing regime relevant to **Argentina**'s efforts to reform its licensing procedures. Argentina subsequently develops a streamlined licensing regime featuring a single license good for provision of all types of service.

🌍 May 2000 FCC hosts **Jamaica** Office of Utilities Regulation's (OUR) Deputy Director General Telecommunications, the Director of Analysis and Research, and Senior Economist for in-depth assistance on numbering issues, including economic and cost principles, number administration in the USA and Canada, resource allocation and portability. Jamaica subsequently sought, and now holds a seat on the North American Numbering Council.

🌍 May 2000: Teleconference between FCC and **Argentine** universal service experts.