



- 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, Henocho 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.



- April 2000: FCC experts conduct day-long licensing seminar in Buenos Aires for **Argentine** Communications Secretary Aguiar and senior staff from the Secretariat of Communications and the National Communications Commission (CNC).
- April 2000: Expert consultations via teleconference between FCC and **Peru** OSIPTEL staff on international settlement policy.



- March 23-25, 2001, FCC staff members participate with regulators from **Brazil, Jamaica and Peru** in informal experts talks on PCS spectrum allocation, interconnection and rate rebalancing at the first International Workshop on Communications Regulation. The Los Angeles, CA event was sponsored by the Institute on Global Conflict and Communications (University of California San Diego), the Annenberg Center for Communications (University of Southern California) and the Berkeley Roundtable on the International Economy (University of California, Berkeley).
- March 2000: Chairman Kennard attends Latin American Telecommunications Summit in Lima, **Peru** sponsored by the Department of Commerce, the Telecommunications Industry Association and the Peruvian government and participates in a panel discussion with regional regulators on interconnection policy.
- March 2000: In Buenos Aires, **Argentina**, Chairman Kennard discusses regulatory changes required for full competition with Communications Secretary Aguiar.
- March 2000: Chairman Kennard conducts regulatory seminar for 50 staff members of **Peru's** regulatory body, the Supervisory Organ for Private Investment in Telecommunications (OSPITEL).
- February 2000: FCC host officials from **Jamaica's** Office of Utilities Regulation for discussion of interconnection, price caps, and numbering issues.



*Site visit to neighborhood watch program connected by wireless technology to local police, Ate Vitarte, Peru*



- February 2000: FCC staff experts provide technical comments on **Jamaican** government's draft telecommunications law designed to create a transition to competition.
- November-December 1999: FCC engineers conduct spectrum occupancy study of the 800, 900 & 2 GHz frequencies for the Government of **Jamaica** in advance of auctions for 2 new cellular licenses representing the first competition in telephony in the country's history.

## ASIA

- January 11-13, 2001, FCC staff members participate with regulators from Hungary, **Thailand** and the **Philippines** in informal experts talks on universal service and regulatory practice at the second International Workshop on Communications Regulation. The Los Angeles, CA event was sponsored by the Institute on Global Conflict and Communications (University of California San Diego) and the Annenberg Center for Communications (University of Southern California).

- Nov 2000: Bilateral meetings between Chairman Kennard and Chairman Verma of **India's** regulatory body (TRAI) during the ITU Development Symposium for Regulators, Geneva.



*FCC-TRAI work plan signing ceremony New Delhi, India, September 2000*

- Nov 2000: FCC hosts bilateral discussions with Chairman and staff of **India's** TRAI on future work plan implementation and telecom issues relevant to introduction of competition.
- August 2000: FCC hosts delegation from **India's** Ministry of Communications, Wireless Planning Commission, and monopoly incumbent operator for discussions on the U.S. regulatory model, spectrum allocation, type approval and international accounting rates.
- June 2000: FCC discussions with **Thailand's** Minister of Communications on Internet issues.