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**CHAIRMAN PAI ANNOUNCES TERM EXTENSION OF THE COMMISSION’S INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Chairman Pai announces the extension of the term of the Federal Communications Commission’s Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (“IAC” or “Committee”) by six months. The term of the 2017-2019 IAC is set to expire on March 24, 2019, but will be extended to September 24, 2019.[[1]](#footnote-2) This extension takes into account the expansion of the IAC during the course of its two-year term from 15 to 30 members, and will allow the expanded IAC to complete tasks that were assigned during its October 2018 meeting.[[2]](#footnote-3) The IAC has been an important source of information and guidance to the Commission over the past 20 years and the extension will provide additional time to further its contributions to the FCC.

The IAC provides guidance, expertise, and recommendations to the Commission on a range of communications issues for which state, local, Tribal and Territorial governments explicitly or inherently share responsibility or administration with the Commission.

Pursuant to the “intergovernmental communication” exemption of UMRA,[[3]](#footnote-4) the IAC is not subject to, and is not required to follow, the procedures set forth in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App 2 (1988).”[[4]](#footnote-5)

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1. *See* FCC Announces Reauthorization of its Intergovernmental Advisory Committee and Solicits Membership on the Committee, Public Notice, DA 16-1106 (2016); Chairman Wheeler Announces Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Members, Public Notice, DA 16-1461 (2016); FCC Expands the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee, Order, FCC 17-172 (2017); Chairman Pai Announces New Appointments to the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee, Public Notice, DA 18-792 (2018). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. *See* FCC Announces First Meeting of its Newly Expanded Intergovernmental Advisory Committee, Public Notice, DA 18-913 (2018). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 1534 (b). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 0.701 (a). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)