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FCC OMNIBUS BROADBAND INITIATIVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BLAIR LEVIN TO JOIN ASPEN INSTITUTE

Washington, D.C. -- Today, it was announced that Blair Levin, Executive Director of the Omnibus Broadband Initiative at the Federal Communications Commission, will become a Communications and Society Fellow at the Aspen Institute Communications and Society Program upon his departure from the Commission on May 7, 2010.

“Blair has been masterful in providing wisdom to the Commission about how technology and market trends interact with the nation’s public policy agenda,” said FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski. “His leadership in raising the quality of work and thought throughout the Commission is beyond measure and I am sure he will continue to make similar contributions for the country while he is at the Aspen Institute.”

Prior to his leading the creation of the National Broadband Plan, Levin co-headed the Technology, Innovation & Government Reform Policy Working Group of President Obama’s Technology Transition Team along with current FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski. Levin, an attorney, served as Chief of Staff to FCC Chairman Reed Hundt from 1993 to 1997, where he oversaw the implementation of the 1996 Telecommunications Reform Act, and as a managing director at the investment firm Stifel Nicolaus.

“Blair Levin is one of the premier communications strategists in the country,” said Charles Firestone, executive director of the Communications and Society Program. “We look forward to his advice and counsel in the next few months.”

“I am pleased to join the Aspen Institute team,” Levin said. “There I can reflect on the impact of the National Broadband Plan and particularly its application to the international arena.”

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