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| ***FCC - News from the Federal Communications Commission***  **Media Contact:**  Robin Colwell, (202) 418-2300  [Robin.Colwell@fcc.gov](mailto:Robin.Colwell@fcc.gov)  **For Immediate Release**  **STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O’RIELLY**  **ON THE MAJORITY STAFF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS ENTITLED “REGULATING THE INTERNET: HOW THE WHITE HOUSE BOWLED OVER FCC INDEPENDENCE”**  WASHINGTON, March 01, 2016. — “I appreciate the work of Chairman Johnson and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee to shed additional light on the details of the Commission’s abrupt about-face on Title II.  It crystallizes what most people knew in their hearts: the facts and process were thrown overboard in order to capitulate to the improper influence of the Administration.  The final order is a discredit to the agency’s independence and the rule of law.  Whether through the courts or a future Commission, this illegitimate net neutrality regime must go.”  ***--***  ###  **Office of Commissioner Mike O’Rielly: (202) 418-2300**  **Twitter: @mikeofcc**  **www.fcc.gov/leadership/michael-orielly**  *This is an unofficial announcement of Commission action. Release of the full text of a Commission order constitutes official action. See MCI v. FCC, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Cir. 1974).* |