

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO CONTINUE A CONTRACT TO ADDRESS FINDINGS IN A METRO PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS INTEROPERABILITY STUDY**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) serves as the Secretariat for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, COG has been requested by the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) to continue a contract to assist the region in addressing findings in a comprehensive study of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) underground communications system; and

WHEREAS, the study included specific evaluations and analysis of system effectiveness and interoperability with regional government communications systems and recommendations on how to maximize effective communication and emergency response to incidents in the WMATA system; and

WHEREAS, funding for the continuation of the contract has been provided to COG by State Administrative Agent (SAA) for the National Capital Region.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN
WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive and expend up to \$75,000 to continue a contract to assist the region in addressing findings in a comprehensive study of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) underground communications system.

Funding for this effort will be provided through a subgrant from the SAA for the National Capital Region. No COG matching funds are required.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on June 8, 2016.

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