

Cable Broadcast Sub-Council, Telecommunications Council—16th Meeting Summary of Minutes

1. Date and Time

Thursday, May 24, 2007; 13:00–13:57

2. Location

Special Conference Room 3, 9th Floor

3. Attendees (honorifics omitted)

(1) Sub-Council Members

Yoshiaki Nemoto (Chairperson), Kazuko Ohtani, Yasuhiko Nagamura, Satoshi Negishi

(a total of four members)

(2) Secretariat

Yamane (Director, General Affairs Division, Information and Communications Policy Bureau)

(3) Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC) Representatives

Suzuki (Director-General, Information and Communications Policy Bureau), Ando (Director, Terrestrial Broadcasting Division), Fujishima (Director, Regional Broadcasting Division)

4. Agenda (Closed-door deliberation)

Consultations

(a) Arbitration pertaining to consent on retransmission applied for by Oita Cable Telecom Co., Ltd. (Consultation No. 1172)

(b) Arbitration pertaining to consent on retransmission applied for by CTB Media, Inc. (Consultation No. 1173)

(c) Arbitration pertaining to consent on retransmission applied for by Cable TV Saiki Co., Ltd. (Consultation No. 1174)

(d) Arbitration pertaining to consent on retransmission applied for by Oita Cable Network Corp. (Consultation No. 1175)

MIC explained the above items of consultation. After discussion, the basic facts, the points of argument, and the future direction of deliberation were confirmed. It was also determined that the parties involved would be heard at the next meeting of the Cable Broadcast Sub-council.

[Background]

Oita Cable Telecom, Co., Ltd.; CTB Media, Inc.; Cable TV Saiki, Co., Ltd.; and Oita Cable Network, Corp. had applied for arbitration by the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications regarding the retransmission of digital television broadcast programs originally broadcast by RKB Mainichi Broadcasting Corp.; Kyushu Asahi Broadcasting Co., Ltd.; Television Nishinippon Corp.; and Fukuoka Broadcasting Corp., respectively, based on

Paragraph 3, Article 13 of Cable Television Broadcasting Law.