Statement on the President’s Wireless Plan

The Minority Media and Telecommunications Council (MMTC) supports President Barack Obama’s plan to build out America’s high-speed wireless services.

Minorities’ window to the broadband world is via wireless. According to the Pew Hispanic Center’s Latinos and Digital Technology Report, released this Tuesday, 51 percent of African American cell phone users and 40 percent of Hispanic cell phone users access the Internet with their cell phones, compared to 34 percent of White Americans. Minorities are likely to constitute nearly a majority of the 98 percent of Americans that the President wants to connect via 4G.

MMTC applauds the President’s forward-thinking plan to bridge the digital divide by giving many Americans access to broadband for the first time. His proposal offers concrete progress that will create jobs, strengthen our economy and bring millions of Americans into the digital community.

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