

MEMORANDUM FOR INDUSTRY EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

SUBJECT: 2000 NSTAC Research and Development Exchange  
Proceedings

On September 28-29, 2000, the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC), co-sponsored with the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), held its fourth Research and Development Exchange, in conjunction with the Telecommunications and Information Security Workshop at the University of Tulsa. The purpose of the Exchange was to stimulate an exchange of ideas among representatives from industry, Government and academia on the challenges faced by the convergence of the traditional public switched network (PSN) and the Internet into a Next Generation Network (NGN). During the dynamic dialogues, participants expressed a number of concerns to include: the shortage of qualified information technology professionals, increased litigation, new types of threats, increased vulnerabilities arising from convergence and the need to enhance R&D efforts.

The NSTAC celebrates the continuous efforts of the Research and Development Exchange. The insights, conclusions, and recommendations contained within these proceedings result from the Exchange and are solely attributable to the combined, and unique contributions of Exchange participants and invited speakers.

Respectfully,

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