



## Press Statement

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### **MMTC's Statement in Response to NTIA's Digital Discrimination Comments Filed with FCC**

**WASHINGTON, DC (October 6, 2023):** The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) appreciates the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA) recently filed comments in the Digital Discrimination docket at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

MMTC President and CEO Robert Branson stated, "NTIA's comments echo many of the points made by MMTC in our previous statements and follows the great work of the FCC's Communications Equity and Diversity Council earlier this year. We also applaud the effort of the National Urban League in its proposals submitted recently to FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel. Together, we believe the FCC will have a great record to move forward with its proceeding. Furthermore, NTIA could have more resources when deciding on the allocation of Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program funds and the deployment of broadband in communities that need the most assistance. MMTC plans to keep advocating for more Affordable Connectivity Program funding since without it, many communities still will not have access to affordable Internet service."

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#### **About MMTC:**

The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) is a non-partisan, national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and preserving equal opportunity and civil rights in the mass media, telecom and broadband industries, and closing the digital divide on behalf of its members and constituents, including owners of radio and television broadcast stations, programmers, prospective station owners, and others involved in the TMT industries. MMTC is generally recognized as the nation's leading advocate for minority advancement in communications. MMTC's vision is to achieve a fully connected, educated, healthy, and empowered society in which all communities thrive. Visit MMTC's website [here](#).