

Statement Regarding Exclusion from Executive Branch Referral

Cirion respectfully submits that this application qualifies for exclusion from referral to the Executive Branch pursuant to Section 1.40001(a)(2) of the Commission's rules. On July 28, 2026, Christopher R. Clements, the Chief (Acting) of the Foreign Investment Review Section of the National Security Division, notified Cirion that the Committee does not believe a referral of this application under Section 5 of Executive Order (“E.O.”) 13913 is necessary. Please see Attachment A.

Due to this response, Cirion is requesting exclusion of referral to Executive Branch, as the South American Crossing Cable renewal application qualifies for exclusion from Executive Branch referral under Section 1.40001(a)(2). Cirion's ownership and control remain consistent with the information previously reviewed by the Commission, and there have been no material changes that would affect Cirion's eligibility for the exclusion. Accordingly, this application qualifies for exclusion from Executive Branch referral pursuant to Section 1.40001(a)(2).

Attachment A



U.S. Department of Justice

National Security Division

Foreign Investment Review Section

Washington, D.C. 20530

July 28, 2026

By E-File

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L St. N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: South American Crossing Cable (FCC File No. SCL-RWL-20250829-00037)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Commission is notified that the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector ("Committee") to Commission staff that, based on available information, the Committee does not believe a referral of this application under Section 5 of Executive Order ("E.O.") 13913 is necessary.

In making this determination, the Committee considered the Applicant's responses to Standard Questions for Applications and Petitions Subject to Executive Branch Review, the Committee's ongoing monitoring of the Applicant's compliance with their existing mitigation agreement (dated April 21, 2022), and the expectation that the Commission will condition the grant of this renewal on compliance by the Applicants with the Letter of Agreement dated April 21, 2022.¹

Sincerely,

_____/s/
Christopher R. Clements
Acting Chief
Foreign Investment Review Section
National Security Division
U.S. Department of Justice

¹ See *Applications Granted for the Transfer of Control of Global Crossing Americas Solutions, LLC, CenturyLink Latin American Solutions, LLC, and Level 3 Communications St. Croix, Inc. to Patagonia HoldCo LLC, and Application for International Section 214 Authority Granted to CenturyLink Latin American Solutions, LLC*, WC Docket No. 21-340, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 7599, 7605 (2022) (granting the application subject to the applicants' compliance with the Commission's rules and the conditions of the Letter of Agreement ("LOA") dated April 21, 2022. The LOA is attached to the Committee's Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License. National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License, WC Docket No. 21-340, FCC File Nos. ITC-T/C-20210820-00121, ITC-T/C-20210824-00124, SCL-T/C-20210821-0035, ITC-214-20210824-00125 (filed June 28, 2022).

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