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Lisa:

In accordance with FSME-13-055, the proposed comment period ends on August 19, 2013. What is the procedure for requesting an extension of the comment deadline for the revisions to the policy statements?

As you are aware, the dates of the 2013 OAS annual meeting are August 19 – 22, 2013. The OAS Executive Board has devoted a significant amount of time on the meeting agenda on Tuesday (8/20/13) to discuss this issue, and I believe it would be prudent to extend the comment period to at least mid-September. This would allow the OAS annual meeting to serve as a “de facto” third public meeting and allow time for meaningful comments from states that may not have been able to attend the two earlier public meetings.

If this e-mail is sufficient, then please consider it as a formal request to extend the comment deadline. If something different is necessary, please let me know.

Thank you!

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