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The terrible events, which occurred on 11th September, have focused world attention on the need for reliable and resilient communication services.

Wireless technology offers this ability and can swiftly be set up and adapted to meet any emergency situation.

Project MESA¹ is a standardization Partnership Project established January 2001 between the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) of the United States of America and the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI) of Europe with the purpose of elaborating a joint specification of a new advanced Mobile Broadband Technology and to explore the use of present standards to be deployed in the service of the Police, International Crime and Terror combating, Intelligence, Emergency and Medical Services, Fire fighting and Civil Defense sectors.

Project MESA would like to establish contact with 3GPP and 3GPP2 and make them aware of work that is proceeding in the WGs of Project MESA. Project MESA would welcome any input from the TSGs of 3GPP and 3GPP2 on any of the topics underway in Project MESA.

Project MESA looks forward to a fruitful future working relationship.

¹ MESA: Mobility for Emergency and Safety Applications. WEB site: <u>www.projectmesa.org</u>