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Prominent Telecom Executive Joins World Affairs Council as Inaugural Corporate Fellow

Howard Woolley Joins the World Affairs Council – Washington, DC as Senior Corporate Executive Fellow

WASHINGTON, DC, September 12, 2013: Telecommunications executive Howard Woolley joined the World Affairs Council – Washington, DC today as the organization's first Senior Corporate Executive Fellow.

"I am honored to be the World Affairs Council's inaugural Senior Corporate Executive Fellow," Woolley said. "With international relations issues dominating the news, the Council's mission to promote global education and communication is more crucial than ever."

Woolley was senior vice president of strategic alliances and wireless public policy for Verizon. As the Senior Corporate Executive Fellow, he will help WAC-DC strengthen its external communications and identify strategic partnerships in the greater Washington area and nationwide.

Woolley previously served on the WAC-DC Board of Directors and its Global Communications Committee from 2000 to 2011. In 2010, he received a World Affairs Council – Washington, DC Founders Award for his service on the Board. During his career, he has served on the board of directors for a number of leading organizations, including the National Urban League, the National Council of La Raza, and the Executive Leadership Council. In July of this year, he received the prestigious Charles Collins Award at the National Urban League Convention for his work on their Board of Trustees.

Woolley led Verizon Wireless's public policy organization from 2000-2009. He previously served as Verizon's vice president for wireless and international matters.

"Howard is a valued member of the WAC-DC family," said Edie Fraser, WAC-DC's chairperson. "His expertise in telecommunications and in building alliances will greatly benefit our organization's communications initiatives in Washington, DC and with our national strategic partners."

Notes to Editors:

The World Affairs Council – Washington, DC is 'A Leading Forum for Global Education and International Affairs' and an institution 'Where Learning Happens.' The World Affairs Council – Washington, DC is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to expanding awareness among the American public and the international community of geo-political, business, and civil society issues in our inter-connected world.

The WAC-DC Board of Directors is composed of distinguished corporate, former governmental, diplomatic and NGO representatives, educators, and civic leaders committed to implementing the Council's global education and international affairs priorities with a DC regional and national audience of teachers, students, educators, and the American public.

Howard Woolley was SVP of Strategic Alliances and Wireless Public Policy at Verizon. For nine years he headed up public policy for Verizon Wireless.

Verizon Communications Inc. is a global leader in delivering broadband and other wireless and wireline communications services.

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