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## Small UAV Coalition Counsel to Chair International UAS Regulatory Advisory Committee

Will Advise Representatives from 50 Countries in Developing Forward-Looking Regulatory Frameworks that Support Growth of Commercial UAS Industry

**WASHINGTON, DC – December 12, 2016** – The Small UAV Coalition is pleased to announce that Gregory Walden, counsel to the Coalition and former FAA Chief Counsel, has been elected to chair the Joint Authorities for Rulemaking on Unmanned Systems (JARUS) Stakeholder Consultation Body (SCB).

JARUS is a collaborative effort of aviation experts from close to 50 National Aviation Authorities (NAAs) and regional aviation safety organizations that is developing a single set of technical, safety, and operational requirements for the safe and widespread integration of unmanned aerial systems (UAS) into the airspace. The JARUS recommendations are intended to inform national and regional authorities as they draft their own requirements.

The SCB was established in 2015 to represent aviation stakeholders, including the UAS industry, before JARUS and to serve as a resource for all JARUS activities. Importantly, the SCB also facilitates access to experts to advise JARUS on key technical solutions that will facilitate UAS integration, from unmanned traffic management to spectrum and collision avoidance.

The Small UAV Coalition has been a member of the SCB since its inception. The Coalition's diverse membership offers the technical and policy expertise necessary to develop and implement UAS regulations that support both safety and innovation. The Coalition looks forward to continuing to work with JARUS to develop a forward-looking regulatory concept that facilitates the expedited integration of UAS into the airspace.

JARUS will hold its next plenary meeting in March in Bucharest, Romania. For more on JARUS, visit <a href="https://www.jarus-rpas.org">www.jarus-rpas.org</a>.

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