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Small UAV Coalition Comments on Remote ID ARC Report

Joins Members of Congress in Urging FAA to Move Ahead with Rulemaking

WASHINGTON, DC – December 19, 2017 – Today, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) [released](#) a [report](#) by the UAS Identification and Tracking Aviation Rulemaking Committee (ARC). The Small UAV Coalition is pleased to see the report published and urges the FAA to immediately move forward with a rulemaking that proposes to require all UAS operators who are required to register with the FAA to abide by remote identification and tracking requirements, critical tools to ensure both safety and accountability in the national airspace.

FAA Deputy Administrator Dan Elwell told the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee during a recent [hearing](#) that “Congress can support these efforts by ensuring that all UAS operators abide by the same requirements and certification standards that we apply to all aircraft that operate in the airspace. To that end, remote identification and tracking will be a key component to full integration.” The Coalition applauds Chairman Shuster for highlighting the need for remote identification and tracking during the hearing and for encouraging the FAA to quickly move forward with a rulemaking.

The Coalition agrees with both Deputy Administrator Elwell and Chairman Shuster and calls on Congress to enable the FAA to implement important safety and accountability standards for all UAS operating in the national airspace. The Coalition supported recent legislation to bolster accountability by ensuring that all UAS operators register with the FAA and believes that Section 336 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 should not preclude the FAA from implementing remote identification and tracking standards for all UAS operators. The Coalition stands ready to work with lawmakers and regulators to reexamine Section 336 in an effort to resolve security concerns that have impeded the development of regulations that will support the growth of the UAS industry in the United States.

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