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Questions posed by eNAP Unit President for status clarification:

NOTE: The eNAP was chartered as a unaffiliated unit in 2012.

Question 1: "May 'an NAP member who resides in an unchartered state, province, or country and is not a member of any *association*' (emphasis added) join eNAP *as their primary unit*?"

Yes, a member which is not a primary member of any association can join the eNAP unit as a primary member. This member is recognized as an NAP Member-at-large and free to associate with whatever unit they desire. (Article 4. Section 8, *A.4A member-at-large of NAP shall be an NAP member who resides in an unchartered state, province, or country and is not a member of a unit or association.*)

The eNAP member is a member of an unaffiliated unit and therefore still retains his or her status as an NAP Member-at-large even if a member of the eNAP unit because their only affiliation is directly with NAP. There is no status of unit member of NAP.

Question 2: "May state or province association members-at-large designate eNAP as their primary unit while maintaining primary membership in their state or province association?"

Yes, an eNAP member retains their member-at-large designation at the association level. The member does not have the status of membership in a unit under their association of residence because eNAP unit is unaffiliated with any association. The member therefore meets the criteria to remain a member-at-large of an association while claiming eNAP as their primary unit for delegate purpose.

(Article IV, Section 8A3. *A member-at-large of an association shall be a member of an association who is not a member of a unit that belongs to that association.*)

Question 3: "What is the minimum number of primary members that a unit must have to be entitled to delegate representation at the NAP Convention?"

A unit must have a minimum of five members to have delegate representation. (Article (VI, Section 2B8 and 8a. *delegates representing each unit, selected as provided in the unit bylaws, based on the primary membership a of March 1 of the convention year, as follows: a) one delegate for the first five primary members of the unit;*)

Question 4: "If eNAP attains the required number of primary members, will eNAP be entitled to delegate representation on the same basis as other units?"

Yes, eNAP has been chartered as an NAP unit. The eNAP has chosen to become an unaffiliated unit so has no association affiliation. (Article IV, Section 5b2. *When chartering, an electronic unit shall designate its association affiliation or designate that it will not have an association affiliation.*)