



Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2018-146

PDF version

Reference: Part 1 application posted on 12 February 2018

Ottawa, 4 May 2018

Ethnic Channels Group Limited

Across Canada

Public record for this application: 2018-0079-8

Addition of One America News Network to the *List of non-Canadian programming services and stations authorized for distribution*

1. The Commission **approves** an application from Ethnic Channels Group Limited (ECGL), acting as the Canadian sponsor, to add One America News Network, a non-Canadian English-language service, to the *List of non-Canadian programming services and stations authorized for distribution* (the list). The Commission did not receive any interventions regarding this application. The revised list can be found on the Commission's website at www.crtc.gc.ca and may be obtained in hard copy on request.
2. ECGL described One America News Network as a 24-hour news service (100% English-language) that provides in-depth coverage on hard news topics from the United States and around the world, along with investigative reporting and talk shows designed to foster independent debates on the relevant issues and challenges facing the country. The service's target audience is viewers 18 years of age and older interested in news from the United States and international news. The service originates from the United States of America.
3. As set out in *Regulatory frameworks for broadcasting distribution undertakings and discretionary programming services* – Regulatory policy, Broadcasting Public Notice CRTC 2008-100, 30 October 2008, the Commission has adopted an open-entry approach to the addition of non-Canadian news services to the list, which is consistent with the importance it places on a diversity of editorial points of view. Accordingly, absent clear evidence, as determined by the Commission, that a non-Canadian news service will violate Canadian regulations, such those regarding abusive comment, the Commission will be predisposed to authorize non-Canadian news services for distribution in Canada.

Secretary General