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C-SPAN BOARD OKAYS FY '87 BUDGET

ANAHEIM, CA, December 5 -- By unanimous decision, The C-SPAN Board of Directors today approved an \$8.1 million dollar operating budget for the network's 1987 fiscal year, which begins in April of 1986.

The sum represents an increase of more than 20 percent over the FY 1986 operating budget of \$6.6 million. In detailing the figures for the panel, C-SPAN president Paul FitzPatrick told the board that the increases would be directed toward an enhanced marketing and PR effort, equipment upgrades, employee benefits, staffing additions, and expanded on-location programming.

During the 90 minute session, the 36-member board also voted to increase its ranks by one member, naming Jones Intercable CEO Glenn Jones to fill the post.

Three new C-SPAN board members participated in their first session for the non-profit cable cooperative: Tom Wheeler, Media Enterprises; Robert Miron, NewChannels; and Steven Dodge of American Cable-systems.

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