

November 21, 2000

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attn: Office of Engineering and Technology

Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority
For Radio Station License

Dear Ms. Salas:

COMSAT Corporation, by its COMSAT Mobile Communications business unit ("COMSAT") herein requests a grant of special temporary authority for a new mobile radio station license from December 18, 2000 – January 18, 2001 to test and demonstrate one land-based INMARSAT ship earth station from temporary-fixed locations in the United States. In support of this request, COMSAT submits the following information:

1. Applicant's Name and Address: COMSAT Corporation/COMSAT
Mobile Communications
6560 Rock Spring Drive
Bethesda, MD 20817
2. Name and Address of the person for inquiries regarding this request:

Ashu Singh
6560 Rock Spring Drive
Bethesda, MD 20817
3. Particulars of Operation: See EXHIBIT 1
4. Geographical location of the proposed operation:

7676 Pine Grove Road
Santa Paula, CA 93060
5. NAD 27 Coordinates: Latitude: 34° 24' 06"
Longitude: 19° 04' 18"

6. Antenna Type:
Width of the beam in degrees at the half-power point: 28°
Orientation: Horizontal plane 254° Az Vertical plane 13.8°EL
7. Transmitting equipment to be installed:

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Number</u>
Honeywell	SDU	7516100-20060
Honeywell	HPA	7516250-20050

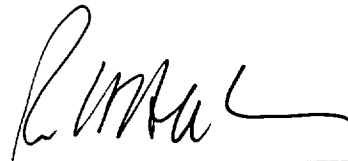
COMSAT, a U.S. corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, affirmatively states that it does not in any manner act as a representative of a foreign government or a subdivision thereof nor would the authorization sought herein be used for the exclusive purpose of developing radio equipment for export that would come under the jurisdiction of the foreign government. The applicant has never had any FCC station license revoked or any application for permit, license, or renewal ever denied by the Commission.

COMSAT further states that grant of this request would not have a significant environmental impact and, this does not require an Environmental Statement under Section 1.1307 of the Commission's rules. Unless otherwise indicated in an attachment to this request, the authorization sought herein will not be sought for fulfilling the requirements of a government contract with an agency of the United States Government.

In addition, COMSAT further certifies that neither the applicant, nor any other party to this application is subject to a denial of Federal Benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. & 853a.

This temporary license is sought by COMSAT, a telecommunications provider, to test and demonstrate one INMARSAT Aero-terminal from temporary-fixed location in the United States.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Mansbach
Its Attorney