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Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5115 International Bureau - Telecommunications Federal Communications Commission P.O. Box 358115

Re:

Request fo

Special Temporary

Authority

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Dear Sir/Madam:

enclosed to cover the applicable filing fee for this application. with the terms of, and pending grant of, an application for Section 214 authority that is being filed concurrently herewith (copy attached). A check in the amount of \$780.00 is to 180 days to allow it to provide international common carrier services in accordance Inc. ("Infosat") hereby requests special temporary authority ("STA") for a period of up Pursuant to Section 63.04 of the Commission's rules, Infosat Communications,

the provision of these services by Infosat will serve the public interest. Section 214 authority to provide international facilities-based and resale services to and from overseas locations. As demonstrated in the accompanying Section 214 application, There is good cause for grant of the requested STA. Infosat is applying for

hundred-eighty (180) days, pending grant of the attached Section 214 application. respectfully requests grant of STA on the earliest possible date for a period of up to one to offer high-quality service to its customers on a timely basis. For these reasons, Infosat accordingly. Grant of the requested STA will, therefore, be important to Infosat's efforts begin providing services, and it has begun to structure its business relationships Because of market considerations, Infosat now seeks immediate authority to

Infosat hereby certifies that no party to this request is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C

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Questions with respect to this matter should be directed to Joseph A. Godles, Esq., Infosat's counsel, at Goldberg, Godles, Wiener & Wright, 1229 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 429-4900.

Respectfully submitted,

INFOSAT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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In re Application of) INFOSAT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)
for authority pursuant to Section 214) of the Communications Act of 1934,)
communications services)

Application

the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18, hereby requests: (i) global authority to Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.18 of to operate as a resale carrier. provide facilities-based international communications services; and (ii) authority Infosat Communications, Inc. ("Infosat"), pursuant to Section 214 of the

application will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity options available in the market. Infosat submits, therefore, that grant of this benefit consumers by lowering prices and increasing the number of service competition in the international telecommunications market, which will, in turn, Infosat's provision of international service will foster additional

following information in support of the instant application: Pursuant to Section 63.18 of the Commission's rules, Infosat submits the

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant

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(b) Infosat is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware.

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- (b) satellite services using the Canadian-licensed MSAT-1 satellite Section 63.18(e)(6) of the Commission's rules to provide mobile a separate application, Infosat is requesting authority pursuant to The Applicant has not previously received Section 214 authority. In
- (e) operate as a resale carrier. and (2) under Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules to switched, private line, data, television, and business services to all licensed U.S. facilities and necessary overseas connecting facilities, international points, except those on the FCC's exclusion list, using 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's rules to provide international basic Infosat is requesting global Section 214 authority: (1) under Section
- (f) N/A.
- 8 processing pursuant to Section 1.1306 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1306. therefore, it is categorically excluded from environmental This application does not involve any new construction and,
- (五) carrier "from a WTO Member country does not pose competitive open entry standard for applications from service suppliers in rules and policies set forth in the Foreign Participation Order, 12 FCC Rcd 23891 (1997). In that Order, the Commission adopted an and MSAT systems. As a result, this application is subject to the "The Commission adopted a strong presumption" that entry by a World Trade Organization ("WTO") members, such as Canada. Infosat's parent company, also named Infosat Communications, Inc., provides mobile satellite services in Canada via the Inmarsat