

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Telecommunications and Information Administration

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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

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Re:

Ex Parte Letter in AfriSpace, Inc., Request for Special Temporary Authority to Begin Operation of the AfriStar Satellite, File No. CSS-90-017, IBFS File Nos. SAT-LOA-19900723-00002, SAT-AMD-19990125-00016 (Call Sign 52367)

Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, enclosed please find two copies of the letter from William T. Hatch, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Spectrum Management, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, to Donald Abelson, Chief, International Bureau, in the above-referenced "permit-but-disclose" proceeding. The original letter was hand-delivered to Mr. Abelson.

Please direct any questions you may have to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Kathy D. Smith

Acting Chief Counsel

enclosure

cc: Donald Abelson, Chief, International Bureau

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