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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

Ex Parte Presentation, CC Docket No. CSS-90-017, Application of AfriSpace, Inc. For Authority to Construct, Launch and Operate a Subregional Africa and Middle Eastern Satellite Sound Broadcasting Transmission System; Amendment File No. SAT-AMD-19990125-00016

Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, this will give notice that on April 9, 1999, Tara Giunta, Timothy Logue and Janet Hernandez of Coudert Brothers met with the following people at the FCC's International Bureau: Thomas Tycz, Rosalee Chiara, Fern Jarmulnek, Cassandra Thomas, Ronald Repasi and Rocky Patterson.

The parties discussed the AfriSpace Application and Amendment, including the status of the proceeding, the status of the AfriStar satellite and the anticipated launch of commercial service later this year. Additionally, the parties discussed the Commission's most recent letter to the International Telecommunications Union regarding notification of the AfriStar Satellite.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206 an original and one copy of this letter are submitted.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Tara K. Giunta

cc: Thomas S. Tycz

Rosalee Chiara

Fern Jarmulnek

Cassandra Thomas

Ronald Repasi

Rocky Patterson