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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St. SW, Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

## Re: SILKWAVE AFRICA LLC, FCC File No. SAT-LOA-20200921-00112

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Commission is notified that the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector ("Committee") is reviewing the above-referenced application.<sup>1</sup> The Commission will be notified when the Chair has determined that responses to the Committee's initial request for information are complete and the 120-day initial review period can begin.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher R Clements

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See attached notification from the Chair.

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Pursuant to Executive Order 13913 (Apr. 4, 2020), the Chair of the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector ("Committee") requests the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") defer action on the above-referenced applications, which have been referred to the Committee in order to assist the Commission in reviewing the application for any national security and law enforcement concerns that may be raised by foreign participation in the United States telecommunications services sector.

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