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December 22, 2020

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
45 L Street NE  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Request for 180-day Grant of Special Temporary Authority to Operate Intelsat 1R at 157.1° E.L. with New Beam Coverage; Call Sign: S2368**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC, as debtor in possession ("Intelsat"), herein requests grant of Special Temporary Authority ("STA")<sup>1</sup> for 180 days, commencing upon grant, to operate one of Intelsat 1R's Ku-band beams over a new coverage area in the 11450-11700 MHz and 14000-14250 MHz communications frequency bands in order to provide customer service.<sup>2</sup> A map of the new beam coverage is enclosed as Exhibit A. Intelsat will also be filing a license modification application to support this new service area.

Intelsat 1R is permanently licensed to operate at 157.1° E.L. with a different Ku-band beam coverage than proposed herein,<sup>3</sup> and is currently operating with the above requested coverage pursuant to a 60-day STA. Intelsat is seeking 180 days of temporary authority to support the long-term repointing of the South Pacific Ku-band beam<sup>4</sup> while permanent authorization is obtained.

Intelsat's proposed operation of Intelsat 1R will conform to existing coordination agreements and the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules governing operations vis-à-vis adjacent locations.

The temporary operation of Intelsat 1R's Ku-band beam with a new coverage area will allow Intelsat to better meet customers' service needs. Accordingly, grant of this STA request is in the public interest.

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<sup>1</sup> Intelsat has filed this STA request, an FCC Form 159, and a \$980.00 filing fee electronically via the International Bureau's Filing System.

<sup>2</sup> Intelsat is currently operating under shorter-term STA. See Intelsat Request for an additional 60 days of Special Temporary Authority to operate Intelsat 1R (S2368) with new beam coverage, File No. SAT-STA-20201217-00146 (filed Dec. 17, 2020).

<sup>3</sup> See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01310, File No. SAT-MOD-20180103-00002 (Apr. 13, 2018) (Public Notice).

<sup>4</sup> All other Intelsat 1R beams are unaffected by the South Pacific Ku-band beam repointing.

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For the reasons set forth herein, Intelsat respectfully requests that the Commission grant this STA request. Please direct any questions to the undersigned at (703) 559-6949.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Cynthia J. Grady*

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Intelsat US LLC

Attachment

cc: Jay Whaley  
Jennifer Balatan

**Exhibit A**  
**Proposed Coverage Map**

