



February 17, 2021

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

**Re: Request for Further Extension 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 an additional 60 days of Special Temporary Authority ("STA")¹ previously granted to Intelsat² 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. A map of the new beam coverage is enclosed as Exhibit A. Intelsat will 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 described herein.³ Intelsat is seeking temporary authority to continue repointing the South Pacific Ku-band beam in order to maintain a new coverage area. All other Intelsat 1R beams are unaffected by the Ku-band beam repointing. Intelsat's continued operation of Intelsat 1R will conform to existing coordination agreements and the Federal Communications Commission's rules governing operations vis-à-vis adjacent locations.

The continued 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 further STA extension request is in the public interest.

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

² See, e.g., *Satellite Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01520, File No. SAT-STA-20201217-00146 (Jan. 8, 2021) (Public Notice).

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

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Cynthia J. Grady

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Exhibit A Coverage Map

