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Dear Mr. Barker:

It is our understanding, based on information provided in a telephone call initiated by SES counsel on January 17, 2007, that the AMC-18 satellite was located at the 81° W.L. orbital location. Based upon this information, SES Americom is directed to provide written responses to the following questions:

1. When did AMC-18 leave the 80° W.L. location, and when did it arrive at the 81° W.L. location? Was the communications payload of the spacecraft, i.e., other than TT&C functions, operated after the spacecraft left 80° W.L.? If yes, please explain the nature and scope of such operation.

2. Did SES Americom transmit signals to or receive signals from AMC-18, using a U.S. earth station, during the drift of AMC-18 from 80° W.L. to 81° W.L.? Was a U.S. earth station utilized to effect the placement of the satellite at the 81° W.L. orbital position? Did SES Americom transmit signals to or receive signals from AMC-18 at 81° W.L. using a U.S. earth station?

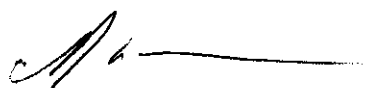
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3. When did SES Americom, SES Global, and/or SES Gibraltar first begin planning for a possible stop of AMC-18 at 81° W.L.? When were those plans finalized? When did SES Gibraltar first discuss those plans with Gibraltar regulators? When did SES Americom become aware of those discussions?

Please provide your answers at the earliest possible date, but not later than January 22, 2007. Please include in any response a declaration in the form specified in Section 1.16 of the Commission's rules. To facilitate processing of the above-referenced applications, a copy of your response can be provided via email to Scott.Kotler@fcc.gov. We acknowledge receipt of your email and letter dated January 18, 2007, requesting withdrawal of certain of the above-referenced applications. No action will be taken concerning the remaining applications for special temporary authority until receipt and review of your response.

Sincerely,



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