

January 22, 2007

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: PETITION TO DENY**  
**File Nos. SES-STA-20061211-02123/02124/02126/02127/02128**  
**File Nos. SES-STA-20070109-00043/00044/00045/00046/00047**  
**File Nos. SES-STA-20061020-01876/01877/01878/01879/01880**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I hereby address the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) in order to express the concern of the Administration of Argentina resulting from the utilization of 81°W orbital position by AMC-18 satellite system.

In this sense, we express the support of the Administration of Argentina to the questionnaire sent by the FCC to SES Americom, and assert our dissatisfaction and disagreement with the answers provided by such company.

SES Americom Inc. admits that the AMC-18 satellite was placed at 81°W on January 11<sup>th</sup> and recognizes that the satellite communication payload was used from January 12<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup> under an authorization granted by the Gibraltar Regulatory Authority (GRA).

These activities, which were not authorized by the FCC and do not have the consent from the Administration of Argentina, impinge directly upon the commitments assumed under the Coordination Agreement entered into by the FCC and the CNC in 1998.

### **Conclusion**

In accordance with the aforementioned statements, the Administration of Argentina restates its reasons, grounds, terms and conditions of its petition filed on December 28<sup>th</sup> 2006, respectfully requesting that the FCC deny any and all authorization applications associated with the 81°W orbital position, until the Administration of Argentina, through its company AR-SAT, brings again into service such allocation on a regular basis.

Within the framework of Attachment C, sections (ii) and (iv) of the Coordination Agreement executed by both Administrations in 1998, it is hereby requested that the FCC take the corresponding legal actions in order to implement such Agreement as well as any and all measures necessary for the effective implementation of the same.

Respectfully,



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