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Dear Mr Makgotlho,

SES ASTRA Africa (Proprietary) Limited ("SES Africa") submits this letter to express its gratitude towards the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("ICASA") in deciding to modify its allocation plans as regards the 3600-3800 MHz portion of the C-band, now subject to a "No Change" position, therefore securing most VSAT operations in the country and in the entire SADC region.

As a major C-band Fixed-Satellite Service ("FSS") operator in South Africa, SES Africa strongly believes that satellite communications are today, and will increasingly contribute to be in the future, part of the broadband and digital ecosystem in the region.

SES Africa remains at your disposal for any question you may have concerning our industry and plans in Africa.

Yours sincerely,



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