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## MEASAT-3a SCHEDULED FOR LAUNCH IN Q3 2008

**Kuala Lumpur, 26 February 2008** – MEASAT Satellite Systems Sdn Bhd ("MEASAT") announced today that it had been advised that its next satellite, being constructed by Orbital Sciences Inc and planned for launch on a LandLaunch Zenit–3SLB launch vehicle, had now been allocated a launch in Quarter 3 2008. MEASAT also announced that the satellite, previously known as MEASAT-1R, would be renamed MEASAT-3a.

MEASAT-3a has been designed to be co-located with MEASAT-3 at the 91.5°E orbital hot slot. The satellite will provide 12 high-powered C-band transponders providing coverage across a region bounded by Africa and Eastern Europe in the West, through to Japan and Australia in the East; and, 12 high-powered Ku-Band transponders for DTH customers in Malaysia and Indonesia.

"The renaming of MEASAT-1R to MEASAT-3a better reflects the satellite's mission to provide expansion capacity, and in-orbit redundancy, for customers utilizing the MEASAT-3 satellite" said Paul Brown-Kenyon, Chief Operating Officer, MEASAT. "With key capacity on the MEASAT-3 satellite already fully utilized, and a strong pipeline of customer awaiting capacity on MEASAT-3a, we are very pleased to have a confirmed launch slot for the new satellite earlier than originally expected" concluded Paul Brown-Kenyon.

## About MEASAT

MEASAT is a premium supplier of satellite communication services to Asia's leading broadcasters, DTH platforms and telecom operators. With the recent commissioning of AFRICASAT-1, the MEASAT fleet is able to provide satellite capacity over 145 countries representing 80% of the world's population across Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa, Europe and Australia. The fleet will be further enhanced in 2008 with the launch of MEASAT-3a, providing additional capacity at the Company's key 91.5°E orbital slot.

Leveraging facilities at the MEASAT Teleport and Broadcast Centre, and working with a select group of world-class partners, MEASAT also provides a complete range of broadcast and telecommunications services including high definition and standard definition video playout, video turnaround, collocation, uplinking and IP termination services.

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