



## Intelsat Announces Successful Launch of Intelsat 31

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*Provides enhanced media capacity for Latin America*

LUXEMBOURG--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jun. 9, 2016-- Intelsat S.A. (NYSE: I), operator of the world's first Globalized Network, powered by its leading satellite backbone, announced the successful launch of the Intelsat 31 satellite, which is hosting the DLA-2 payload for DIRECTV Latin America. Intelsat 31 was launched from the Baikonur Cosmodrome, Kazakhstan aboard an ILS Proton launch vehicle. Liftoff occurred at 7:10 GMT. The Intelsat 31 satellite separated from the rocket's upper stage at 22:41 GMT, and signal acquisition has been confirmed.

Built for Intelsat by Space Systems/Loral (SSL), Intelsat 31 is a 20-kilowatt class Ku- and C-band satellite. The Ku-band payload, known as DLA-2, is designed to provide redundancy and reliability for DIRECTV Latin America's distribution services in South America and the Caribbean, reflecting the company's commitment to providing their subscribers with the highest reliability in the region.

The C-band portion enhances Intelsat's existing C-band service infrastructure serving Latin America. The satellite will be co-located with the previously launched Intelsat 30, which hosts the DLA-1 payload, at 95° West and is expected to have a service life of more than 15 years.

"Intelsat 31 will deliver additional resilience to the DIRECTV service platform, further enhancing their leadership in the region. DIRECTV Latin America is committed to providing its customers with the highest quality programming at all times," said Intelsat CEO Stephen Spengler. "Intelsat 31 will also provide valuable C-band services for our customers and further fortifies our video neighborhoods serving Latin America."

Resources:

- Journey to IS-31/DLA-2: <http://www2.intelsat.com/IS-31>
- Intelsat's Media Services: <http://www.intelsat.com/solutions/media/>
- Intelsat's Video Neighborhoods: <http://www.intelsat.com/solutions/media/distribution-solutions/video-neighborhoods/>

About Intelsat

Intelsat S.A. (NYSE: I) operates the world's first Globalized Network, delivering high-quality, cost-effective video and broadband services anywhere in the world. Intelsat's Globalized Network combines the world's largest satellite backbone with terrestrial infrastructure and managed services to enable customers to drive revenue and reach through a new generation of network services. Thousands of organizations serving billions of people worldwide rely on the Intelsat Globalized Network to provide ubiquitous broadband connectivity, multi-format video broadcasting, secure satellite communications and seamless mobility services. The end result is an entirely new world, one that allows us to envision the impossible, connect without boundaries, and transform the ways in which we live. For more information, visit [www.intelsat.com](http://www.intelsat.com).

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