Intelsat Announces Successful Launch of Intelsat 32e, Increasing Throughput for Broadband to Planes and Ships Navigating the High-Demand Caribbean and North Atlantic Routes

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Third Satellite in the Intelsat Epic^{NG} High-Throughput Fleet, Now with Unmatched Resilience over One of the World's Most Trafficked Routes

LUXEMBOURG--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 14, 2017-- Intelsat S.A. (NYSE: I), operator of the world's first Globalized Network, powered by its leading satellite backbone, today announced the successful launch of the Intelsat 32e satellite aboard an Ariane 5 launch vehicle from French Guiana. Liftoff occurred at 16:39 EST. The satellite separated from the rocket's lower stage at 17:06 EST and signal acquisition has been confirmed.

Intelsat 32e is designed to overlay certain beams of Intelsat 29e, the company's first Intelsat Epic ^{NG} spacecraft, increasing the throughput available in the highly-trafficked Caribbean and North Atlantic routes and providing resiliency for mobility network service providers servicing those shipping and air routes. The satellite is located at 317º East.

"This is the first of three Intelsat Epic ^{NG} satellite launches planned for 2017 as we continue to deploy our high-performance overlay on the world's first Globalized Network. With the addition of Intelsat 32e, Intelsat is now the only satellite operator with HTS resiliency over the world's busiest air route," said Stephen Spengler, Chief Executive Officer, Intelsat. "Intelsat 32e also increases our capabilities to support the growth of our maritime customers in the Caribbean and the Atlantic, such as the exclusive use of our services for broadband to most of the world's largest cruise ships sailing the Caribbean right now."

The Intelsat Epic^{NG} design reflects the company's innovative approach to introducing high-throughput technology to the world's largest community of commercial-grade satellite networks which operate on the Intelsat fleet. The design optimizes performance at the user level, providing unmatched signal efficiency and a high-speed return link perfect for uploading user-created videos to the web or back to the home office. Intelsat Epic^{NG} is backwards compatible and fully interoperable with Intelsat's existing satellite fleet and terrestrial infrastructure, allowing customers to use currently deployed network hardware to access the high performance connectivity. The platform's open architecture allows customers to have control over service offerings and hardware selection, providing differentiation of service offerings.

Intelsat's next planned launch is Intelsat 35e, scheduled aboard a SpaceX Falcon flight in the second quarter of 2017.

Supporting Resources:

- About High Throughput Satellites: http://www.intelsat.com/videos/a-high-throughput-satellite-teach-in/

- Learn more about Intelsat Epic^{NG}: http://www.intelsat.com/global-network/satellites/epicng/

- Learn more about Intelsat 32e: https://player.vimeo.com/external/203850544.hd.mp4?s=230747a6908c4db8e43abaa6b64f077030dc3d4b&profile_id=119

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.

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