



## Press release

### **SES GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS TO PROVIDE THE US GOVERNMENT WITH A HIGH PERFORMANCE NETWORK**

*Managed service solution delivers critical capability to boots on the ground*

LUXEMBOURG, 29 August 2016 -- SES S.A. (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG) announced today that SES Government Solutions (SES GS), a wholly owned subsidiary of SES, was recently awarded a contract to provide an O3b Networks high throughput, low latency satellite communications solution for a US Department of Defense end-user. The O3b-enabled solution includes a satellite beam operating at less than 200 milliseconds per roundtrip, and will consist of a full duplex, symmetric 155 Mbps link, gateway access, a transportable 2.4m AvL terminal, terrestrial backhaul, installation services and 24/7/365 operations and maintenance activities. The contract also enables the US Government to order additional O3b services to meet surge requirements.

Operational benefits of the solution include the capability to transfer large files from remote locations in just minutes instead of hours. Cloud-based applications and information can be used nearly anywhere in the service area. End-users will be able to view simultaneous high definition (HD) videos providing situational awareness to commanders. This kind of real-time information access may enable better-informed, life-saving decisions in the field.

“These are exciting times for the US Government as well as SES GS,” said Pete Hoene, President and CEO of SES GS. “With SES’s recent acquisition of O3b, SES GS is uniquely positioned to offer scalable, game-changing Medium Earth Orbit (MEO) high throughput, low latency and global Geosynchronous Earth Orbit (GEO) communications products and solutions. This is a clear differentiator for SES GS and our US Government customers.”

This is SES GS’s second US Government customer to use O3b Networks’ services this year. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) was the first US Government agency to sign an agreement with SES GS, that one being for an O3b high throughput solution at the Pago Pago National Weather Service Office in American Samoa. This service has been delivering critical information since May of 2016.

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## **About SES**

SES (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESE) is the world-leading satellite operator with a fleet of more than 50 geostationary satellites. Focusing on value-added, end-to-end solutions in four key market verticals (video, enterprise, mobility and government), SES provides satellite communications services to broadcasters, content and internet service providers, and mobile and fixed network operators, as well as business and governmental organisations worldwide. SES stands for long-lasting business relationships, high-quality service and excellence in the satellite industry. The culturally diverse regional teams of SES are located around the globe and work closely with customers to meet their specific satellite bandwidth and service requirements.

SES's subsidiary, MX1, is one of the leading media service providers and offers a full suite of innovative digital video and media services.

Through its ownership of O3b Networks, a next generation satellite network combining the reach of satellite with the speed of fibre, SES significantly enhanced existing video and data capabilities. SES is the first satellite provider in the world to deliver a differentiated and entirely scalable GEO-MEO offer with powerful technical capabilities across numerous market segments and geographies.

At SES we are shaping new ecosystems and laying the groundwork for new foundations.

Further information available at: [www.ses.com](http://www.ses.com)

## **About SES Government Solutions**

SES Government Solutions, a subsidiary of global satellite operator SES, is exclusively focused on meeting the satellite communications needs of the U.S. Government. Leveraging more than four decades of experience in the government SATCOM market, SES Government Solutions offers robust and secure satellite-based communications solutions. Supported by SES's fleet of over 50 satellites offering comprehensive global coverage, SES Government Solutions provides highly reliable fixed and on-the-move capacity. Further information can be found at [www.ses-gs.com](http://www.ses-gs.com).

## **About O3b Networks Limited**

O3b Networks Limited, a subsidiary of global satellite operator SES, is a global satellite service provider operating a next-generation satellite network for telecommunications operators, Internet service providers, enterprise and government customers in emerging markets. The O3b system combines the global reach of satellite with the speed of a fiber-optic network providing billions of consumers and businesses in nearly 180 countries with low-cost, high-speed, low latency Internet and mobile connectivity. [www.o3bnetworks.com](http://www.o3bnetworks.com)