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LAUNCH CAMPAIGN RESUMES FOR EUTELSAT'S KA-SAT SATELLITE

Launch scheduled for night of 26-27 December 2010

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Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL) confirmed today that the launch campaign of its KA-SAT satellite by an ILS Proton Breeze M vehicle has resumed at the Baïkonour Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

Launch is scheduled in the night of 26 to 27 December 2010 (21.51GMT, 22.51CET on 26 December, 03.51 in Baïkonour on 27 December). Spacecraft separation will occur approximately 9 hours, 12 minutes after liftoff.

Joint operations in Baikonour by ILS, Khrunichev, Eutelsat and Astrium, which began on 20 November for an initially scheduled launch on 20 December, were interrupted pending the conclusions from the Russian State Commission on the GLONASS mission of December 5.

To watch the launch live:

Webcast on www.eutelsat.com and www.ilslaunch.com

or

<u>Via HOT BIRD™ 8</u> for viewers in Europe, North Africa, Middle East. Downlink frequency 12149 MHz, Vertical polarisation, Symbol rate 27500; FEC ¾.

The videotransmission from Baikonour will begin approximately 20 minutes before liftoff.

About Eutelsat Communications

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