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## Eutelsat condemns jamming of broadcasts from Iran and renews appeals for decisive action to international regulators

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Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL) today made a new appeal to international regulatory authorities to urgently intervene in order to put an end to repeated jamming of satellite signals from Iran. This new appeal follows significant deliberate interference from Iran since October 3 of international networks, including BBC Persian, the Voice of America's Persian service and Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty's Radio Farda, that broadcast via Eutelsat satellites.

The practice of deliberate interference with broadcast signals is a violation of rules of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). Today's complaint by Eutelsat officially asks the ANFR, France's national frequency agency, to renew its objection to jamming to the ITU so that it can be addressed as a priority.

This new condemnation and call for action to regulatory authorities follows appeals made by Eutelsat since May 2009 to put an end to unacceptable deliberate jamming of broadcast signals from Iran.

## **About Eutelsat Communications**

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