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Es'hailSat and Qatar Civil Aviation Authority (QCAA) Sign a Major Cooperation Agreement

Agreement to share services and experience between Es'hailSat and QCAA

Doha, 8th June, 2016 – Es'hailSat, The Qatar Satellite Company, is pleased to announce the signing of a memorandum of understanding with Qatar Civil Aviation Authority (QCAA) for joint development of satellite services. Es'hailSat represented by its President and CEO Mr. Ali Ahmed Al Kuwari and QCAA represented by its Chairman Mr. Abdulla Nasser Al Subaey signed the major cooperation agreement that will see Es'hailSat providing satellite services to the Meteorological Department under QCAA.

Es'hailSat and the Meteorological Department will share services and experience in line with the shared interest towards achieving Qatar's National Vision 2030 and the ongoing projects for Qatar's 2022 World Cup.

Es'hailSat's President & CEO, Ali Ahmed Al Kuwari said: "We are delighted to be working with QCAA to jointly develop earth observation capabilities within Qatar and across the region. As a new satellite operator in the region we are always looking to build scale and increase the portfolio of services to support our stakeholders, partners and customers. This agreement with QCAA also enhances our efforts in supporting Qatar National Vision 2030."

Es'hailSat and QCAA also agreed to cooperate in joint investments in earth observation satellites and the dissemination of vital data and information to stakeholders and other relevant local and international organizations. The agreement enables both parties to provide satellite communications in disaster warning and disaster management during emergencies.

About Es'hailSat

Es'hailSat, the Qatar Satellite Company was established in 2010. Based in Doha, Qatar, the company owns and operates satellites to serve broadcasters, businesses and governments. Es'hail-1, which shares a spacecraft platform with the European satellite operator EUTELSAT, was successfully launched on 29th August 2013. The satellite provides television, voice, internet, corporate and government communications services across the Middle East and North Africa region and beyond. Es'hail-2 is currently under development and will be located at the 26° East TV broadcasting hotspot. <http://www.eshailsat.qa>.

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