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**ITALY'S TELESPAZIO RENEWS MULTIPLE CONTRACTS WITH EUTELSAT FOR
OCCASIONAL-USE AND OUTSIDE BROADCASTING BY
RAI TELEVISION CHANNELS**

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Telespazio, Italy's leading satellite services company, has renewed leases on two satellites operated by Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL) for professional video contribution services and the outside broadcast purposes of RAI, the country's national public broadcaster. The renewal of this contract was announced today in Rome on the occasion of the SATEXPO international conference and exhibition.

The two 72MHz transponders have been leased on a multi-year basis on Eutelsat's ATLANTIC BIRD™ 1 and W3A satellites. Both satellites provide superior coverage of Italy for domestic newsgathering requirements and support RAI's ongoing requirements for a constant flow of coverage of news, sports and special events in a footprint spanning Europe, North Africa and the Middle East.

The permanent availability of this capacity gives RAI the full flexibility to manage short news items broadcast in Standard Digital, as well as premium events in HD that require 42 Mbps carriers. It also guarantees RAI easy access as required to premium choice bandwidth with no notice.

Olivier Milliès-Lacroix, Eutelsat Commercial Director commented on the contract: *"We are delighted that Telespazio and RAI are renewing their confidence in Eutelsat with the extension of capacity on ATLANTIC BIRD™ 1 and W3A. Satellites are firmly anchored as a key platform for instant and quality coverage of news and sports events, providing both reach and bandwidth availability for efficient delivery of broadcast quality content. This forms a core video activity for Eutelsat and we are encouraged to even further improve our service by the trust placed in us by customers who are a hallmark for first-class performance."*

About Eutelsat Communications

Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is the holding company of Eutelsat S.A.. With capacity commercialised on 27 satellites that provide coverage over the entire European continent, as well as the Middle East, Africa, India and significant parts of Asia and the Americas, Eutelsat is one of the world's three leading satellite operators in terms of revenues. At 30 September 2009, Eutelsat's satellites were broadcasting 3,300 television channels and 1,100 radio stations. More than 1,000 channels broadcast via its HOT BIRD™ video neighbourhood at 13 degrees East which serves over 123 million cable and satellite homes in Europe, the Middle East and North Africa. The Group's satellites also serve a wide range of fixed and mobile telecommunications services, TV contribution markets, corporate networks, and broadband markets for Internet Service Providers and for transport, maritime and in-flight markets. Eutelsat's broadband subsidiary, Skylogic, markets and operates services through teleports in France and Italy that serve enterprises, local communities, government agencies and aid organisations in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas. Headquartered in Paris, Eutelsat and its subsidiaries employ 615 commercial, technical and operational employees from 28 countries.

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