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NEWSAT BOOSTS JABIRU PRE-LAUNCH CONTRACTS TO \$526 MILLION WITH MEASAT COMMITMENT

- **US\$180 million contract with leading Asian satellite operator for capacity on Jabiru-1 satellite**
- **Follows the 8th December announcements regarding the Lockheed Martin satellite construction and Arianespace launch in 2014**

NewSat Limited (ASX: NWT), Australia's satellite company, announces the execution of a strategic satellite capacity contract with MEASAT Satellite Systems Sdn. Bhd. (MEASAT). The core agreement for capacity on the Jabiru-1 satellite is for a minimum of US\$180 million. The contract provides MEASAT with multiple transponders covering South Asia and South East Asia for the 15 year life of the Jabiru-1 satellite. The agreement will be finalised over the next two weeks with the completion of the Jabiru-1 technical specifications and the execution of a lease agreement with MEASAT to secure capacity for the Jabiru-2 satellite.

MEASAT is the leading Asian satellite operator. With capacity across five communication satellites, MEASAT has over fifteen years of experience providing satellite communication services to the region's international broadcasters, DTH platforms and telecom operators. The capacity leased on Jabiru-1 will provide back-up services to its well established customer base.

About NewSat Limited:

NewSat Limited (ASX: NWT) is Australia's largest specialist satellite communications company, delivering Internet, voice, data and video communications via satellite. With its unique-to-Australia Teleport infrastructure, NewSat provides a full range of managed satellite communication services and has established a reputation as the partner of choice for governments, corporations and private enterprises. Today, NewSat has the ability to provide coverage to 75% of the globe; from Australia, Asia, the Middle East, Africa, across the Indian Ocean extending into Europe and across the Pacific Ocean, reaching into the West coast of the USA.

NewSat's world acclaimed Teleports in Perth (Western Australia) and Adelaide (South Australia) were finalists in the World Teleport Association's Awards for Excellence in 2010. Both Teleports are accredited to supply services to the Australian Department of Defence (DRSS) and are recognised as highly secure Global Access Points, supporting certified classified networks to ensure the transmission of vital and sensitive information for government clients.

NewSat will be expanding its satellite capabilities with the Jabiru Satellite Program, beginning with the launch and operation of Jabiru-1, Australia's first independently owned commercial satellite. Jabiru-1, a large Ka-band next generation satellite, will provide superior coverage over South East Asia, the Middle East and North Africa. Jabiru-2, also scheduled, will deliver enhanced coverage in and around Australia. NewSat has rights to seven premium orbital slots and its fleet of next generation geostationary satellites will lead Australia's space quest. For more information, please visit www.newsat.com

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About Jabiru Satellite Program:

Jabiru-1 is NewSat's first geostationary communications satellite and will provide high-powered satellite capacity to high value customers across government markets and enterprise segments such as resources and telecommunication service providers. NewSat already serves many of these customers from its world recognised Teleport facilities and the vertical integration of owning a satellite will dramatically increase NewSat's ability to secure large capacity contracts and significantly increase EBITDA margins. Over its 15 year life, Jabiru-1 is expected to achieve revenues and net profit of over US\$2 billion and US\$1 billion, respectively. NewSat has rights to seven premium orbital slots, which provide significant growth opportunity above and beyond Jabiru-1. All contracts are subject to the successful launch of the satellite and NewSat completing the required credit checks.

About MEASAT:

MEASAT is a premium supplier of satellite communication services to leading international broadcasters, DTH platforms and telecom operators. With capacity across a fleet of five communications satellites, MEASAT is able to provide satellite services to over 145 countries representing 80% of the world's population across Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa, Europe and Australia.

The MEASAT fleet includes the state of art MEASAT-3/3a satellites at 91.5°E which support Asia's premium DTH and video distribution neighborhood. The MEASAT fleet will be further strengthened with the addition of AFRICASAT-1a at 46°E in Q4 2012 and MEASAT-3b at 91.5°E in Q4 2013.

Leveraging facilities at the MEASAT Teleport and Broadcast Centre, and working with a select group of world-class partners, MEASAT also provides a complete range of broadcast and telecommunications solutions. Services include standard definition, high definition and 3D video playout, video turnaround, co-location, uplinking, broadband and IP termination services. For more information, please visit www.measat.com

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