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NEWSAT REACHES FINANCIAL CLOSE FOR JABIRU-1 SATELLITE PROJECT

- **NewSat has satisfied all conditions precedent**
- **NewSat will be reimbursed for supplier and closing costs**
- **NewSat to accelerate progress payments to Lockheed Martin and Arianespace**

NewSat Limited (ASX: NWT) (OTCQX: NWTLY), Australia's satellite company, is pleased to announce that financial close has been reached with the US Ex-Im Bank and COFACE for US\$390.1 million of debt funding for the Jabiru-1 satellite project.

NewSat has completed or obtained waivers for all the conditions precedent to drawdown the debt funding of US\$300.5 million from the US Ex-Im Bank and US\$89.6 million from the COFACE Promesse de Garantie. The drawdown will commence with a US\$78.9 million payment to Lockheed Martin, taking total progress payments for construction of the Jabiru-1 satellite to US\$169.9 million. In addition, a progress payment of US\$34.7 million will be made to Arianespace for the launch service, following the initiation of mission analysis in December 2013 in Newtown, Pennsylvania, USA.

To satisfy all conditions precedent and to facilitate NewSat's direct loan account of US\$300.5 million with the US Ex-Im Bank becoming operative, NewSat has raised \$2.15 million as a result of closing activities, funds that will be reimbursed through the bank facilities. The Company undertook a placement of 5 million shares at a price of \$0.43 per share, which represents a 6.5% discount to the NewSat closing share price on 13 February 2014 of \$0.46. The new shares were issued to an existing long term investor.

In commenting on financial close of the Jabiru-1 satellite project, NewSat Founder and CEO, Adrian Ballintine said:

"The journey to complete the Jabiru-1 satellite financing has now concluded, and the project is fully funded. The favourable funding outcome includes US\$390.1 million of cost-effective debt funding at around 3% interest on attractive terms, such as drawing down the debt during the construction period without any principal repayments until after launch."

"With US\$644 million of pre-launch customer contracts already secured, I look forward to keeping shareholders up-to-date on progress as we approach the launch of Jabiru-1, from satellite construction at Lockheed Martin in the USA to the launch service preparation at Arianespace in France."

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About NewSat:

NewSat is Australia's largest pure-play 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 Top 3 Finalists in the World Teleport Association's 2012 and 2010 "Awards for Excellence" and made the 2013, 2012 and 2011 "Top Operator Rankings". Both teleports are accredited to supply services to the Australian Department of Defence 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 commercial Ka-band satellite. Jabiru-1, a large next generation satellite, will provide superior coverage over South East Asia, the Middle East and North Africa. To date, Jabiru-1 has secured US\$644 million of pre-launch customer contracts and a US\$454 million forward sales pipeline. Jabiru-2, scheduled for launch in 2014, will deliver enhanced coverage over Australia, Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea. NewSat has rights to eight 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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