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To the extent permissible under applicable law or regulation, and in accordance with normal market practice in Hong Kong, the Offeror, its respective affiliates and brokers (acting as agents) may from time to time make certain purchases of, or arrangements to purchase, directly or indirectly, AsiaSat shares or any securities that are immediately convertible into, exchangeable for, or exercisable for, AsiaSat shares, other than pursuant to an offer, before, during or after the period in which an offer remains open for acceptance. These purchases may occur either in the open market at prevailing prices or in private transactions at negotiated prices. Any information about such purchases will be disclosed as required by law or regulation in Hong Kong and other relevant jurisdictions. This information will be disclosed in the United States through amendments to the Schedule 13E-3 on file with the SEC, and available for free at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, to the extent that such information is made public in Hong Kong pursuant to the Takeovers Code or the Listing Rules. The Offeror and its respective affiliates and agents will rely on, and comply with the other conditions of, the class exemptive relief from Rule 14e-5 under the Exchange Act granted by the SEC on 2 March 2007.

To the extent the offers referred to in this announcement are being made into the United States, they are being made directly by the Offeror. References in this announcement to offers being made by Morgan Stanley on behalf of the Offeror should be construed accordingly.

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## JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

MANDATORY GENERAL OFFERS FOR ASIA SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS LIMITED BY MORGAN STANLEY DEAN WITTER ASIA LIMITED ON BEHALF OF ASIACO ACQUISITION LTD.

### DELAY IN THE DESPATCH OF THE MANDATORY GENERAL OFFERS DOCUMENTATION

Financial Adviser to AsiaCo Acquisition Ltd. Morgan Stanley

Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee of Asia Satellite Telecommunications Holdings Limited **CLSA Equity Capital Markets Limited** 



Delay in the despatch of Mandatory General Offers documentation

The despatch of the formal documentation in respect of the Mandatory General Offers has been delayed to on or before Wednesday, 16 May 2007.

AsiaSat Shareholders, ADS Holders, Optionholders and/or potential investors in AsiaSat are advised to exercise caution when dealing in AsiaSat Shares, ADSs and/or

Reference is made to the joint delay in despatch announcement made by the Offeror and the Company dated 6 March 2007 in respect of the scheme document issued by the Offeror and AsiaSat dated 19 March 2007 (the "Scheme Document") and the formal documentation in respect of the Mandatory General Offers, to the Scheme Document, to the joint announcement made by the Offeror and the Company dated 23 April 2007 relating to the invoking of the Authorisation Condition and the Further Authorisation Condition, and to ncement made by the Offeror and the Company dated 24 April 2007 in respect of the adjournment indefinitely of the Court Meeting and the Special General Meeting (the "April Joint Announcements"). The Offeror will proceed with the Possible MGO Offers (in this announcement, the "Mandatory General Offers").

Terms defined in the Scheme Document shall have the same meanings when used in this announcement unless the context otherwise requires

#### DESPATCH OF THE MANDATORY GENERAL OFFERS DOCUMENTATION

Pursuant to the extension granted by the Executive under Rule 8.2 of the Takeovers Code, the formal documentation in respect of the Mandatory General Offers should be sent to AsiaSat Shareholders, ADS Holders and Optionholders on or before 2 May 2007. The despatch of the formal documentation in respect of the Mandatory General Offers has been delayed, however, due to the recent developments described in the April Joint Announcements and the additional time required to finalise the documentation. The Executive has granted a further extension of time for the despatch of the formal documentation in respect of the Mandatory General Offers to on or before Wednesday, 16 May 2007.

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The Offeror and AsiaSat hereby remind their respective associates of the dealing restrictions under the Takeovers Code and to disclose their permitted dealings, if any, in any securities of AsiaSat.

> By order of the board of directors ASIACO ACQUISITION LTD. Mi Zeng Xin and Ronald J. Herman, Jr. Directors

By order of the Board ASIA SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS LIMITED Peter Jackson Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 27 April 2007

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Offeror comprises Mi Zeng Xin, Ronald J. Herman, Jr., Ju Wei Min, Ko Fai Wong, Nancy Ku and Mark Chen.

The directors of the Offeror jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that relating to the AsiaSat Group) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than that relating to the AsiaSat Group) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no facts (other than those relating to the AsiaSat Group) not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statements in this announcement misleading.

at the date of this announcement, the AsiaSat Board comprises Peter Jackson and William Wade as executive directors, Mi Zeng Xin, Ding Yu Cheng, Ronald J. Herman, Jr., John F. Connelly, Mark Chen, Nancy Ku, Ju Wei Min and Ko Fai Wong as non-executive directors, and Chen Kwan Yiu Edward, Sze Tsai To Robert and James Watkins as independent non-executive directors.

The directors of AsiaSat jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (in relation to the information relating to the AsiaSat Group only) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (in relation to the information relating to the AsiaSat Group only) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no facts (in relation to the information relating to the AsiaSat Group only) not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statements in this announcement misleading.