

2DAY Telecom expands GSM backhaul services in Kazakhstan with SES

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SES (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange:SESG) has announced that 2DAY Telecom has signed a long-term capacity agreement to expand its reach and meet the growing needs of GSM backhaul services throughout Kazakhstan.

2DAY Telecom increased capacity utilisation aboard SES' NSS-12 satellite by 50 per cent to 54 MHz to deliver mobile communication services over challenging mountainous terrain in Kazakhstan. NSS-12 is also used to provide top quality telephone service to meet the country's growing GSM demands.

2DAY Telecom is a subsidiary of VimpelCom in Kazakhstan. The VimpelCom group provides voice and data services through a range of wireless, fixed and broadband technologies in Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Georgia, Armenia, Kyrgyzstan, Vietnam and Cambodia. VimpelCom operating companies provide services under the "Beeline" and "Kyivstar" brands. It is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and headquartered in Amsterdam.

Viktor Gryban, CEO of 2DAY Telecom, said: "As mobile communications continues to be the one of the fastest growing sectors in Kazakhstan, satellite is being established as one of the most reliable forms of infrastructure that can overcome geographical barriers and provide extensive coverage. NSS-12's high-powered dedicated beam provides excellent coverage over Kazakhstan, allowing us to expand our services into new regions within the country."

Norbert Hölzle, Senior Vice President Commercial Europe of SES, said: "SES is proud that 2DAY Telecom continues to rely on SES know-how and satellite capacity to provide vital communication services across the country. Together 2DAY Telecom and SES will connect the people of Kazakhstan regardless of where they live."

About SES

SES is a world-leading satellite operator with a fleet of 50 geostationary satellites (<http://www.onastra.com/2124/en>). The company provides satellite communications services to broadcasters, such as Hybrid TV (<http://www.ses.com/4334968/hybrid>), allowing internet access while offering a number of TV channels (<http://www.onastra.com/channels>); content and internet service providers, mobile and fixed network operators and business and governmental organisations worldwide. A full TV guide (<http://www.onastra.com/2197/whats-on>) can be found on the SES website.

SES stands for long-lasting business relationships, high-quality service and excellence in the broadcasting industry. The culturally diverse regional teams of SES are located around the globe and work closely with customers to meet their specific satellite bandwidth and service requirements.

SES (Euronext Paris and Luxembourg Stock Exchange: SESG) holds participations in Ciel in Canada and QuetzSat in Mexico, as well as a strategic participation in satellite infrastructure start-up O3b Networks. Further information under: www.ses.com.

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