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## Telesat and Gilat Join Forces to Develop Broadband Communication Modem Technology for Low Earth Orbit (LEO) Satellites

Canada-Israel Industrial Research and Development Foundation (CIIRDF) will invest to facilitate faster and more secure data transmission

**Petah Tikva, Israel, July 9, 2018** -- Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ, TASE: GILT), a worldwide leader in satellite networking technology, solutions and services, is pleased to announce a collaborative project with Telesat for development of broadband communication technology using low earth orbit (LEO) satellites. CIIRDF will fund the project to facilitate faster and more secure data transmission over satellite.

The joint Canada-Israel innovation project will combine Telesat's and Gilat's engineering capabilities to do live testing, using Gilat modem technology, over the Telesat Phase-1 LEO satellite launched earlier this year. The adaptation of Gilat's leading-edge modem technology to support advanced LEO constellations, such as the system Telesat is developing, will highlight the benefits that a high-quality satellite broadband experience can deliver to billions of potential users worldwide who live beyond the reach of fiber networks.

"Telesat is pleased to join forces with Gilat in the development of modem technology that we will use to deliver high-speed broadband communications over the Telesat Phase-1 LEO satellite already in orbit," said Dave Wendling, Telesat's Chief Technical Officer. "This project will allow us to demonstrate the high performance and low latency advantages of Telesat's LEO constellation to our tier-1 aeronautical, maritime and enterprise customers."

"Gilat shares Telesat's vision that the inherent advantages of LEO constellations will transform satellite communications and we are delighted to take part in the joint project funded by CIIRDF," said Ron Levin VP Mobility and Global Accounts at Gilat. "We are fully engaged in the development of customer terminals that will operate over LEO constellations and will provide an excellent user experience over satellite for a multitude of new applications including, for example, 5G mobile backhaul."

"This bilateral technology partnership directly supports the objectives of CIIRDF, anchored by a strong value proposition for the collaborating firms and their customers," said Dr. Henri Rothschild, President of CIIRDF. "The outcomes of this project will advance the technological capabilities of low earth orbit satellites, and help Telesat and Gilat capture new opportunities in this global commercial market. Downstream, this powerful cooperation will translate into new jobs and revenues that further strengthen economies of Israel and Canada."

## **About Gilat**

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manufacture cutting-edge ground segment equipment, and provide comprehensive solutions and end-to-end services, powered by our innovative technology. Delivering high value competitive solutions, our portfolio comprises of a cloud based VSAT network platform, high-speed modems, high performance on-the-move antennas and high efficiency, high power Solid-State Amplifiers (SSPA) and Block Upconverters (BUC).

Gilat's comprehensive solutions support multiple applications with a full portfolio of products to address key applications including broadband access, cellular backhaul, enterprise, in-flight connectivity, maritime, trains, defense and public safety, all while meeting the most stringent service level requirements. Gilat controlling shareholders are the FIMI Private Equity Funds. For more information, please visit: www.gilat.com

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