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## Gilat's Airborne Technology Enables Opening-up of the Chinese Ka-Band IFEC Market and Driving a Multi-Million Dollar Market Opportunity

Passengers flying with China's Qingdao Airlines are enjoying In-Flight Entertainment and Connectivity (IFEC) service, provided by FTS over China Satcom's Ka-HTS satellite, and powered by Gilat's Taurus aero modem

**Petah Tikva, Israel, July 7, 2020** -- Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ, TASE: GILT), a worldwide leader in satellite networking technology, solutions and services, announces that Gilat's aero modem, Taurus, is powering In-flight Entertainment and Connectivity (IFEC) service to China's Qingdao Airlines. The service is provided by China Satcom, over CS-16 Ka-HTS satellite together with its partner China TDT LINK (contents/service provider to passengers). The whole Ka-band IFEC system was integrated by FTS, a leading Chinese system integrator, who received the STC/VSTC for this IFEC early this year. This milestone of opening-up of the Chinese Ka-band IFEC market is the driver for a multi-million-dollar market opportunity.

The Qingdao Airlines' A320 aircraft has started to provide the Ka band satcom based IFEC commercial service, after a very successful flight from Qingdao to Chengdu on July 7, 2020, with its IFEC system formally open to the passengers for the first time. As of today, there are more than 3,500 commercial aircraft operating in China and this aircraft is the first one retrofitted with a Ka band IFEC system.

"Gilat is proud to have been selected by our long-term partners China Satcom and FTS, and most pleased with the joint effort of integrating our proven IFC modem, Taurus, to enable opening of the Chinese skies for broadband connectivity," said Yuan Si, China Country Manager for Gilat. "Gilat views China as a strategic focus area, and this success marks yet another important landmark in Gilat's vision of enabling plentiful quality affordable broadband connectivity everywhere. We look forward to continued collaboration with our strategic partners, to jointly reap the benefits of this multi-million-dollar China IFC market."

## About Gilat

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ: GILT, TASE: GILT) is a leading global provider of satellite-based broadband communications. With 30 years of experience, we design and 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).

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