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ASIA SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS LIMITED

亞洲衛星控股有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1135)

SUSPENSION OF TRADING

The board of directors of Asia Satellite Telecommunications Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) announces that at the request of the Company, trading in the shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited will be suspended with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 18 July 2012 pending the release of an announcement regarding, amongst other things, the voting results of the Court Meeting and the SGM (both as defined in the scheme document dated 25 June 2012 issued jointly by the Company and Asia Satellite Management Stock Ownership Trust (“**MSOT**”) and AsiaSat MSOT (PTC) Limited (acting in the capacity of trustee of MSOT)) to be held on 18 July 2012.

By order of the board
Sue Yeung
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 17 July 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company are:

Non- executive Directors:

Mr. JU Wei Min (Chairman)
Mr. Sherwood P. DODGE (Deputy Chairman)
Mr. MI Zeng Xin
Mr. LUO Ning
Mr. Peter JACKSON
Mr. John F. CONNELLY
Ms. Nancy KU
Mr. Mark CHEN

Executive Director:

Mr. William WADE

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Professor Edward CHEN

Mr. Robert SZE

Mr. James WATKINS

Alternate Director:

Mr. CHONG Chi Yeung (alternate to Mr. MI Zeng Xin)

The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable inquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in the announcement misleading.

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