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Dear Rajeev,

Satellite Terminal Testing Facility at Brookman's Park, Hertfordshire

I understand that Inmarsat proposes to invest some £10 million to establish a state-of-the-art R&D facility for satellite terminals by modernising and upgrading the existing satellite antenna site near Brookman's Park in Hertfordshire. I am writing to highlight the UK Space Agency's support for this investment in the UK's R&D infrastructure, which very much fits with the National Space Strategy objectives to grow and increase the resilience of our space sector in the UK.

I can confirm that Inmarsat is an important part of the UK's space eco-system. It is the UK's second largest space company with over 40 years' heritage in providing reliable global mobile communications to the maritime, aviation, enterprise, government, and defence sectors. Your satellite infrastructure contributes to the UK's critical national infrastructure and to the safety and security of UK citizens. I can further confirm that you and we regularly co-invest in new satellite communications projects through the European Space Agency with the express aim of delivering benefits to the UK.

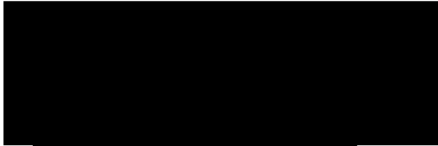
I appreciate that this existing teleport broadcasting site at Brookman's Park is in disrepair but does provide the topographical advantage you need for the new satellite terminal test centre. Your investment will therefore enhance the satellite communications heritage of this site, and also help the space sector play its full part in delivering future telecommunications

capabilities across the UK. This is an important enabling technology identified in the Government's recently published Science and Technology Framework.

I hope that this letter provides the endorsement you need of the important part you play in the sector's R&D activities.

If you need anything further, then please do let me know.

Yours sincerely,



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