



COMSAT awarded BPA to provide Department of Defense with Inmarsat's Global Xpress and BGAN services worldwide

BGAN and Global Xpress services for the DoD BPA support full spectrum of operations in all regions of the world delivering assured access to resilient connectivity anytime, anywhere

Herndon, VA – May 8, 2017 – [COMSAT](#) today announced the award of a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) with the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) to support global communication activities with Inmarsat's Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) and Global Xpress capability. This commercial offering is an Internet Protocol (IP)-based mobile communication service providing users with an integrated solution for voice, broadband data and streaming video at high-speed data rates through the use of hand-held or portable satellite terminals.

As an [Inmarsat](#) value added reseller, COMSAT will meet the DoD's mobile, interoperable communication needs worldwide by delivering the capabilities of Inmarsat's fully managed, easy-to-use mobile satellite services to support mission-critical connectivity. Under this BPA, any government user will have easy ordering access to quickly establish worldwide connectivity with either BGAN or Global Xpress SATCOM as a Service, under a variety of data rate plans and even Global Xpress terminals. They will also be able to tailor terrestrial backhaul to their point of presence. COMSAT has built out a secure terrestrial network that interconnects Inmarsat's infrastructure to its own global core Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) network. The network supports Non-classified Internet Protocol Router/ Secret Internet Protocol Router (NIPR/SIPR) services over the Inmarsat Global Xpress and BGAN network and enables the DoD to deploy globally with a robust information assurance posture.

Inmarsat's award-winning [Global Xpress](#), the first and only end-to-end commercial Ka-band network from a single operator that delivers worldwide service, and its market leading mobile satellite [BGAN](#) capability were built with government users in mind and deliver resilient, flexible and scalable alternatives for U.S. government to augment its military satellite communications in both L-band and Ka-band, whenever needed.



"COMSAT is proud to be selected to support the warfighter with Inmarsat services to include the latest Global Xpress offering that brings secure high speed data to our deployed forces projecting power across the globe," said David Greenhill, President of COMSAT. "The selection of COMSAT by DITCO emphasizes the customer focus and engineering prowess of the COMSAT team."

About COMSAT

With a direct lineage from the COMSAT organization created by the Communications Satellite Act of 1962, COMSAT has played an important role in the SATCOM industry from its inception to present day. Some of COMSAT's key milestones include being a founding member of Intelsat operating the Marisat fleet network that provided the first mobile satellite communications services to the United States Navy. COMSAT also founded Inmarsat's initial operating system from the company's two earth stations. COMSAT delivers a full portfolio of satellite solutions in C-Band, Ku-Band, Ka-Band, X-Band and Ultra High Frequency (UHF) as well as Inmarsat, Thuraya and Iridium services to U.S. civilian and military agencies for their most critical missions. Headquartered in Herndon, Virginia, COMSAT is a trusted leader in the design and delivery of customized, secure, managed end-to-end (ME2E) satellite services for aeronautical, land, and maritime service environments.

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