

**PROTOCOL**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**  
**AND**  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES**  
**CONCERNING**  
**THE TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION OF SIGNALS**  
**FROM SATELLITES FOR THE PROVISION OF MOBILE-SATELLITE**  
**SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED FEEDER LINKS**  
**IN CANADA AND IN THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES**

**RECOGNIZING** the long standing bonds of friendship and co-operation between the Governments of Canada and the United Mexican States (herein referred to as the "Parties");

**PURSUANT** to the Agreement Between the Government of the United Mexican States and the Government of Canada Concerning the Provision of Satellite Services, signed April 9, 1999 (herein referred to as the "Agreement");

**RECOGNIZING** the sovereign right of countries to regulate their telecommunications, including the use and operation of the radio spectrum within their territory;

**EMPHASIZING** that there has been a long standing and successful bilateral relationship in coordinating the respective Satellite Systems of both countries through the International Telecommunication Union (the "ITU"), and that both Parties will apply these same positive efforts and expertise in the pending and future coordination of Satellites licensed by the Government of Canada (herein referred to as "Canada") and by the Government of the United Mexican States (herein referred to as "Mexico"), which are subject to this Protocol;

**RECOGNIZING** the enhanced opportunities for the provision of Satellite Services in Canada and in Mexico arising from the World Trade Organization General Agreement on Trade in Services, the growing needs of the Satellite communications industries of both Parties, and the public interest in the development of these services;

**RECOGNIZING** that the Parties have signed, under the auspices of the ITU, the Memorandum of Understanding to Facilitate Arrangements for Global Mobile Personal Communications by Satellite, Including Regional Systems (GMPCS-MoU); and

**IN ORDER** to facilitate the establishment of the conditions for the transmission and reception of signals from Satellites licensed by either Party for the provision of domestic and international Covered Services, as defined herein, to users in Canada and Mexico,

**THE PARTIES** agree as follows: