



**Report to the International  
Telecommunications Satellite  
Organisation (ITSO) concerning  
activities of the Notifying  
Administration in support of  
Intelsat Ltd**

**July 2024 – June 2025**

## Section 1

# Introduction

This report describes the activities of Ofcom, the UK Communications regulator, acting in its capacity as the notifying administration in the ITU for Ku-band BSS and Ka-band FSS Common Heritage networks of Intelsat Ltd. These activities arise from Ofcom's responsibilities with respect to the relevant procedures of the ITU Radio Regulations for the coordination and notification of satellite networks. Note that Ofcom does not issue licences for satellites, since space stations on board spacecraft in orbit are beyond the jurisdiction of UK Wireless Telegraphy legislation, but submits satellite networks to the ITU for processing under the advance publication, coordination and notification procedures so that they might be recorded in the ITU Master International Frequency Register and thus benefit from international recognition.

The UK manages four Common Heritage satellite networks, of the original 60 networks transferred from the administration of the USA, for ITSO and these are:

Common Heritage Networks	
INTELSAT KUEXT 60E	60°E
INTELSAT KUEXT 66E	66°E
INTELSAT KUEXT 157E	157°E
INTELSAT KUEXT 304.5E	304.5°E

The other 56 common heritage networks were cancelled by the ITU as a result of not completing the coordination and notification procedures and not being brought into use within the relevant regulatory periods, or were cancelled at the UK Administration's request on the basis of reviews by Intelsat. The UK is now managing the above four satellite networks.

## Section 2

# Actions

During the period July 2024 - June 2025, the United Kingdom Administration, the Notifying Administration for Intelsat Ltd, supported and maintained the regulatory framework governing the operation of the four remaining Intelsat Common Heritage satellite networks for which the UK is the notifying administration. No modifications to these existing satellite networks were submitted during the reporting period.

**INTELSAT KUEXT 157E:** During this reporting period, the Intelsat 1R satellite was deorbited and the ITU filing INTELSAT KUEXT 157E filing was suspended until 22-July 2027.

**INTELSAT KUEXT 66E:** During this reporting period, the Intelsat 9 and Intelsat 10 satellites were deorbited and the ITU filing INTELSAT KUEXT 66E was suspended as follows:

- The 11.7–12.2 GHz frequency band was suspended until 3-June-2028 due to deorbit of IS-9.
- The 12.2–12.5 GHz frequency band was suspended until 9-July-2028, due to deorbit of IS-10.

**INTELSAT KUEXT 60E:** During this reporting period, the Intelsat 33e (IS-33e) satellite experience total failure and all frequencies under the INTELSAT KUEXT 60E filing were suspended until 19-October-2027.

**INTELSAT KUEXT 304.5E** The IS-34 satellite has been located at this position during the reporting period. However, the frequency assignments under the INTELSAT KUEXT 304.5E filing are not currently in use

Intelsat continues to engage in coordination with operators of other administrations through correspondence and at the operator-to-operator level, both of which processes are enabled through Ofcom issuing letters of authority on a case-by-case basis. Agreements resulting from either of these processes are subject to ratification by both administrations.

In respect of the Common Heritage networks, where these are the subject of operator-level coordination agreements with networks of other administrations, the UK Administration continues to operate the procedure established in the light of the provisions of Article XII of the ITSO Agreement. Under this procedure, which was endorsed by the 33rd meeting of the ITSO Assembly of Parties, Ofcom requests Intelsat to assess the effect of any operator level agreement on the provision of lifeline connectivity as defined in the ITSO Public Services Agreement. This opinion is then communicated to the ITSO Executive Organ for its review, prior to the operator-level coordination agreement being ratified at the administration level.

There has been no occasion during this period when there has been a need to invoke this procedure.