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Somaliland signs on to Thaicom's broadcast platform: Thaicom PLC, Thailand's satellite operator and leading space expert, led by **Mr. Paiboon Panuwattanawong, Chief Executive Officer** (2nd from right), signs a multi-year agreement with **H.E. Osman Abdillahi Sahardeed, Minister, Ministry of Information, Culture and National Guidance, Somaliland** (2nd from left), to provide SLNTV with C-band capacity on the THAICOM 5 satellite and a complete end-to-end solution. Thaicom currently broadcasts 15 TV channels in East Africa on its broadcast platform at 78.5 degrees east. The signing was recently held at Thaicom Satellite Station in Nonthaburi, Thailand.

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About Thaicom

Thaicom Public Company Limited, a leading Asian satellite operator, was established in 1991 with unique proposition in providing integrated solutions for satellite broadcast and broadband. The Company houses high profiled engineering teams to provide leading-edge innovative solutions on telecommunication and satellite that answer every need with a full spectrum of services. Until now, Thaicom has launched six satellites into the orbit; three satellites are in operations. THAICOM-5 and THAICOM-6 are a "Hot Bird" broadcasting satellite for Thailand and SE Asia, coverage over Thailand, SE Asia and Africa (by the name "Africom-1"). THAICOM-4 (IPSTAR) is the world's first broadband satellite and is providing broadband services to 14 countries across Asia-Pacific region. With the unique performance and technology of THAICOM-4, the Company has provided its solutions to many countries in the region to enable the broadband connectivity everywhere, also to recover communication networks at the time of disasters.

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In September 2014, THAICOM-7 was launched in addition to existing satellite while THAICOM-8 has been under the production process which will finally also be launched to the "Hot Bird", 78.5 degrees EAST around the first half of 2016. The new bird will increase more transponders that serve the countries in Asia and Africa.

Thaicom PLC is listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) under the trade symbol "THCOM".

About THAICOM-8

THAICOM-8 will have a total of 24 Ku-Band transponders, covering Thailand, South Asia and Africa. THAICOM- 8 will serve customers' needs for increased Ku-band capacity and also strengthen THAICOM's Hot Bird platform at 78.5 Degrees East. Orbital Sciences Corporation will be the manufacturer of the satellite and Space Exploration Technologies Corporation (SPACE X) will be the launcher of the satellite.

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