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## **Gilat Selected to Provide Satellite Broadband Network for Military Communications**

*--Multiband network includes Ku and Ka Band terminals--*

**Petah Tikva, Israel, February 02, 2011** – Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ: GILT) announced today that it has been selected by a defense agency to provide a SkyEdge™ II broadband network for military communications.

The system will serve various military branches and units as part of a single, unified multi-band communications network.

Gilat's SkyEdge II hubs will be located in a geographically redundant layout for improved survivability. Applications supported by the network include VoIP, high-speed data and video applications for C4I (command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence), as well as logistic applications.

A variety of different Ku and Ka band SkyEdge II terminals will be incorporated to connect mission-critical applications at fixed sites as well as transportable and on-the-move communications which include low-profile antennas installed on vehicles.

In order to make the network more resilient, some of the sites will be equipped with Gilat's innovative satellite diversity system which can point to an alternative satellite upon demand.

"The requirement for Network Centric Warfare systems and mission-critical communications is driving military and defense agencies to utilize networks that are based on satellite communications. Gilat provides a highly resilient network that is also used for communication-on-the-move applications," said Moshe (Chico) Tamir, Gilat's Vice President of Defense and Homeland Security. "This deal is another step towards our objective to become a leading provider of satellite networking technology for the defense and homeland security market."

Brigadier General (Res.) Tamir recently joined Gilat to lead and expand Gilat's worldwide business in defense and homeland security communications.

Gilat's SkyEdge II is a multi-service platform enabling the delivery of high-quality voice, broadband data and video services for diverse environments including enterprises, rural networks, cellular backhaul and government network applications. SkyEdge II is a standards-based system using DVB-S2 and DVB-RCS. With better efficiencies and full adaptivity for



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both the inbound and outbound channels, it provides higher performance that serves the growing requirements of end-users.

Gilat's diverse portfolio of SkyEdge II VSATs are all supported by a unified platform, offering service providers the most suitable product for their application needs as well as the flexibility to evolve their networks.

The newest addition to Gilat's SkyEdge II portfolio is NetEdge™, a dedicated solution for multi-star networks, specifically designed to meet the needs of corporations and cellular backhaul applications.

### **About Gilat**

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. is a leading provider of products and professional services for satellite-based broadband communications networks worldwide. Gilat was founded in 1987 and has shipped over 750,000 Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSATs) to more than 85 countries across six continents. Gilat's headquarters are located in Petah Tikva, Israel. The Company has 16 sales and service offices worldwide. Gilat develops and markets an expansive range of broadband satellite solutions including high-performance VSATs under the SkyEdge™ and SkyEdge II brands, low-profile antennas for satcom-on-the-move, under the RaySat Antenna Systems and the StealthRay™ brands and next generation solid-state power amplifiers for mission-critical defense and broadcast satellite communications systems under the Wavestream brand. Gilat's wholly-owned subsidiary, Spacenet Inc., is a leading provider of managed services in North America to the business and government segments. Visit Gilat at [www.gilat.com](http://www.gilat.com).

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