To

All the authorised IFMC Service Providers

Subject: Clarification regarding the Flight and Maritime Connectivity Rules, 2018.

Various queries have been raised by the stakeholders regarding the area of operation for the authorised In Flight and Maritime Connectivity (IFMC) Service Providers.

2. It is to clarify that whereas the authorisation for IFMC service under the Flight and Maritime Connectivity Rules, 2018 is mandatorily required for providing wireless voice or data or both type of services in Indian air space and Indian territorial waters, but the IFMC Service Provider so authorised may provide such services in geographical areas such as Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ), High Seas, etc. in accordance with the rights granted to State under the international laws.

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6. VSAT Services Association of India.