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## NEDA Telecommunications Appoints SpeedCast to Build New Network for the Government of Afghanistan

Provide the Government of Afghanistan with secured and efficient connectivity

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, March 9, 2016** - [SpeedCast International Limited](#) (ASX: SDA), a leading global satellite communications and network service provider, today announced that the Company has been appointed by NEDA Telecommunications (“NEDA”), the first licensed Internet Service Provider in Afghanistan, to build satellite connected secured private network for one of the ministry offices of the Government of Afghanistan (“End User”).

Under this multi-year service agreement, SpeedCast will build a new satellite-based private network with over 50 sites to deliver required connectivity and service levels to the End User. The new private network aims at providing reliable and secured connection that allows improved efficiency and productivity by extending connection coverage for the End User. “We are happy to work with SpeedCast”, said Ahmad Ihsan, CEO of NEDA Communications. “SpeedCast has been our main backbone network provider for the past few years. Their experience with the Afghanistan market and their expertise in satellite communications is instrumental to our success. This new network will open the door to a new market opportunity for us”, added Mr. Ihsan.

“SpeedCast has been serving the service providers and the private sectors in Afghanistan over the last decade, by providing connectivity and value added services to the region. We are excited to work with NEDA, a truly pioneer service provider in Afghanistan. It is our pleasure to work with NEDA team who are dedicated to bring in new technology to connect Afghanistan to the rest of the world,” commented Pierre-Jean Beylier, CEO of SpeedCast. “We are happy to witness the success of NEDA and support their growth, by providing our expertise and bringing in the latest technology to the region. We will continue to work hand in hand with our NEDA to expand our footprints in the market and connecting users in the region to the world”, added Mr. Beylier.

### **About NEDA Communications**

Founded in 2003 as the first licensed ISP in Afghanistan, starting with dial-up and moving swiftly into wireless broadband services. Neda Telecommunications quickly established itself as the leading Internet Service Provider in Afghanistan with a presence in most major cities and plans to roll out still further. For today, NEDA is the preferred ISP for most of the Banks and Ministries in Kabul. More information about NEDA can be found at <http://neda.af>.

### **About SpeedCast International Limited**

SpeedCast International Limited (ASX: SDA) is a leading global satellite communications and network service provider, offering high-quality managed network services in over 90 countries and a global maritime network serving customers worldwide. With a worldwide network of 33 sales and support offices and 31 teleport operations, SpeedCast has a unique infrastructure to serve the requirements of customers globally. With over 5,000 links on land and at sea supporting mission critical applications, SpeedCast has distinguished itself with a strong operational expertise and a highly efficient support organization. For more information, visit [www.speedcast.com](http://www.speedcast.com).

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