

Activities of the European Satellite Operators Association (ESO) Disaster Management

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One Satellite can see 1/3 of the Globe from Space



Satellites are not vulnerable to natural/ man-made disasters



International Charter Space and Major Disasters

> Space Agencies together support humanitarian relief efforts around the world.











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Recognised by the International Community

- In 1999, Space Agencies came together to provide satellite imagery to UN Member States
- The Charter has been triggered over 80 times by the UN itself
- Provides satellite imagery to nations in need following a disaster



Example: Satellite Imagery for Earthquake in Indonesia



BEFORE: 11 July 2003

AFTER: 31 May 2006

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Natural hazards cannot be prevented; however, their impacts can be reduced through the costeffective use of appropriate technologies.

A number of space-based technologies (e.g. telecommunications, Earth observation, geopositioning and meteorology) can contribute to the information requirements of the different phases of a disaster management programme and therefore offer significant potential for minimizing the impact of natural hazards.



The Disaster Cycle & The Need for Communications





Communications in a Crisis

- Terrestrial and cellular networks are vulnerable to catastrophic events
- Hurricanes, earthquakes, floods and fires can damage ground infrastructures within minutes
- And yet it is in times of crisis that communications are needed most
- Communications is a major enabler in the management of humanitarian aid and emergency response





Satellites - A Portable Infrastructure



When land lines are down or overloaded, a portable spacebased solution can save the day

A portable satellite terminal that supports voice, facsimile,data transfer, video & two-way communications from a disaster field



Satellites - Even on a Construction Site



A satellite dish can be installed anywhere, even in rubble

The only requirement is a direct 'line of sight' - the terminal needs to 'see' the satellite



Satellites - A Transportable Infrastructure



Where roads remain intact, satellite vans can be deployed to assist communications

Van that supports voice, facsimile, data transfer video and two-way communications from a disaster field



Co-operation to provide Satellite Communications

- While the international space community has a framework to provide satellite imagery in times of need, the same does not exist for satellite communications
- Land-based communications infrastructure is one of the first thing to fall in a disaster
- In 2007, *Satellite Operators* have come together to assist the UN with satellite connectivity in emergency regions





The Power of Satellites

- Satellites can provide essential communications within hours of a crisis
- From vital co-ordination of relief efforts, to giving reassurance to family and friends
- ESOA members deliver fixed and mobile communications
- Voice and broadband data
- Meeting immediate and ongoing needs of government agencies and NGOs





Example I: Connecting Points around Lake CHAD



Since 1966 Lake Chad has reduced from 25,000 km to less than 1,500 km Satellite communications are foreseen to support water management activities



Example II: Connecting families in Lebanon

- Télécom Sans Frontières (TSF) appointed by United Nations to deploy satellite communications in Lebanon, August 2006
- Two telecoms centres
- Supported 22 aid organisations and over 600 displaced families
- In under one month, 3 gigabytes of data sent and 1,850 minutes of calls





Satellites as Critical Infrastructure

- Provide logistics support for relief agencies
- Telephony, email, internet access, videoconferencing, instant messaging
- Telemedicine connects to
 world-class trauma specialists
- Tele-education to bring normality to displaced children or destroyed schools
- Media coverage raises the profile of the disaster
- Supports business continuity, which in turn supports the community





SatComs have been deployed over long & short periods in recent emergency situations:

- Tsunami (Dec 2004 Indonesia and Sri Lanka)
- Katrina Hurricane (Aug 2005- New Orleans, US)
- Earthquake (North Pakistan Oct 2005, Peru Aug 2007)
- Flood (Bangladesh Nov 2007, Mexico Oct 2007, Mozambique Jan 2008)

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Broadband IP data (up to 492kbps)



...plus voice at cell phone quality accessible simultaneously through a single hand-portable device



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Satellites - A Mobile Infrastructure





- A "drive-away" Infrastructure



- VoIP Telephony
- Teleconference system
- Electric Power Generator
- UPS
- Air-conditioning system

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DVB-RCS Transportable Van equipped with:

- DVB-RCS Auto-track 1.2 m Antenna & modem
- WiFi System (wide coverage)
- Remotely-controlled camera



ASTRIUM SERVICES

ONE STOP SHOP Solutions & Services - "In-Field Command Post"

GSM PMR

Wi-Fi

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VHF/UHF DECT VoIP







- Transportable Station (Truck-based or Manbased) for Communication Network Extension by Satellite
 - GSM, PMR, VoIP, DECT, UHF/VHF
 - Internet Access, Wi-Fi
 - RISKFRAME
- Send/Retrieve Information to/from infield areas
 - Infoterra earth observation & geoinformation products & services



// ND SatCom solutions for Disaster response, business
continuity – securing telecommunication in difficult
times //

// Governments prepare for the worst: telecommunication is vital to all relief work for police, fire departments, rescue, medical and technical support teams //

Applications: voice, data, videoconferencing, disaster video contribution, internet, database access, radio relay, control and command etc.





























- ESOA represents <u>ALL European satellite operators</u>
- The Association works with policy-makers to ensure that satellite technology and services are taken into proper account in the delivery of public sector objectives so citizens <u>all over the globe</u> can benefit from them
- The availability of satellite services depends on political support, a favourable regulatory environment, a fair industrial policy and AWARENESS
- The Members of ESOA are:

