

TO COMSAT OPCEN

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DE COMSAT HAWAII MSG NO. 356

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SUBJECT SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF EARLY BIRD LAUNCH

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THIS MESSAGE MARKS ANOTHER FIRST FOR EARLY BIRD, THE WORLD'S FIRST COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE, REACTIVATED FOR THIS OCCASION. IT IS THE FIRST DIRECT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HAWAII AND THE EAST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES BY A COMMERCIAL SATELLITE. IT COMES DURING THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY PERIOD OF THE LAUNCH OF EARLY BIRD FROM CAPE KENNEDY, FLORIDA.

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