RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION (AMSAT)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2016

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

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TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION (AMSAT) WASHINGTON, DC

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) (a not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2016, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of company management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountants' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountants' Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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October 31, 2017

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RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2016

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Accountants' Review Report)

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	28,655
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		28,655
FIXED ASSETS		
Office Furniture and Equipment		97,018
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(94,656)
NET FIXED ASSETS		2,362
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS		
Mutual Funds		649,710
Corporate Stocks		64,344
TOTAL LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS		714,054
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OTHER ASSETS		
Licenses		3,000
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	748,071
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$	11,244
Accrued Payroll	Ψ	6,617
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,861
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		699,690
Temporarily Restricted		30,520
TOTAL NET ASSETS		730,210
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	748,071

RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Accountants' Review Report)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Product Related Income	\$ 47,060	\$	\$ 47,060
Cost of Products	(23,411)		(23,411)
Net Product Related Income	23,649		23,649
Contributions - Cash and In-Kind	317,579		317,579
Dues	79,910		79,910
Gain on Sale of Investments	1,162		1,162
Publications	17,042		17,042
Investment Income	14,805		14,805
Unrealized Gain on Investments	32,697		32,697
Annual General Meeting	55		55
Advertising	1,920		1,920
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE	488,819		488,819
EXPENSES AND LOSSES			
Program Services	161 069	1,190	162,258
Satellite Development	161,068 83,493	1,190	83,493
Publications and Software	120,783		120,783
Information and Symposia	102,097		102,097
Satellite Operations		1,190	468,631
Total Program Expenses	467,441	1,190	400,031
Supporting Services	24 625		24,635
Management and General	24,635 20,314		20,314
Fundraising	44,949		44,949
Total Supporting Services	44,949		44,949
TOTAL EXPENSES	512,390	1,190	513,580
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(23,571)	(1,190)	(24,761)
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	723,261	31,710	754,971
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 699,690	\$ 30,520	\$ 730,210

RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

(See Accompanying Notes and Independent Accountants' Review Report)

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Change in Net Assets	\$ (24,761)
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Cash	
Provided by/(Used in) Operating Activities:	
Depreciation	1,477
Gain on Sale of Investments	(1,162)
Unrealized Gain on Investments	(32,697)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	(28,763)
Accrued Payroll	(13,031)
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	 (98,937)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Purchase of Equipment	(1,962)
Purchase of Investments	(242,101)
Proceeds from Sale of Investments	 234,575
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(9,488)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(108,425)
CACH AND CACH POLINIAL ENTS. DECDRING	127.090
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING	 137,080
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - ENDING	\$ 28,655

RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION December 31, 2016

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Nature of Activities</u> – Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) is a non-profit educational and scientific organization that designs and produces satellites for world-wide amateur radio communication and experimentation, encourages the development of skills and the advancement of knowledge in the field of amateur radio communications, and disseminates scientific, technical, and operational information derived from such communications and experimentation. The organization is supported primarily through membership dues and contributions from members.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u> – For purposes of the Statements of Cash Flows, AMSAT considers cash equivalents as those investments purchased with an initial maturity of less than 90 days.

<u>Furniture and Equipment</u> – Furniture and equipment are recorded at cost or at fair market value at the time of purchase or donation, respectively. Assets are depreciated using the straight line method over their estimated useful life of 5 to 7 years. Software is recorded at cost and is amortized using the straight line method over 3 years.

<u>Recognition of Dues and Contributions</u> – AMSAT recognizes annual dues as income when received. Contributions are not generally pledged in advance of collection and are recognized upon receipt. Contributed services are recognized as income when received.

<u>Estimates</u> – The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> – The financial statements of AMSAT have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables and other liabilities.

<u>Expense Allocation</u> – The costs of providing various programs and other supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statements of Functional Expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> – As required by the Not-for-Profit Topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification, AMSAT is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets; unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Contributed Services – Volunteers worked for AMSAT in various capacities for the year ended December 31, 2016. Volunteers and their contributed services are essential to all aspects of AMSAT's mission. They provide services including the writing, editing and publishing of various educational materials including the Journal. Volunteers mentor university students on satellite projects and assist schools with contacts between the International Space Station and students. Volunteers design, build and test AMSAT's satellites. They provide outreach and support for hams and potential hams. The valuation of their work and its effect on the financial statements has not been determined.

<u>Income Taxes</u> – AMSAT is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, AMSAT has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service not to be a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code.

AMSAT evaluates uncertainty in income tax positions based on a more-likely-than-not recognition standard. If that threshold is met, the tax position is then measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. As of December 31, 2016, AMSAT has evaluated its material tax positions and determined that no accruals for uncertain tax positions are required on AMSAT's financial statement as AMSAT has no tax obligation at this time. If applicable, AMSAT records interest and penalty expense as a component of income tax expense. Returns filed for tax periods ending after December 31, 2013 are open to examination and any changes by the taxing authorities may affect AMSAT's income tax liability.

NOTE 2 – RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS

The funds temporarily restricted for use in the satellite development project known as "TDMA" totaled \$30,520 as of December 31, 2016.

NOTE 3 - PENSION PLAN

AMSAT sponsors a simplified employee pension plan (SEP IRA) that covers all employees with five years of service. The amount of pension expense was \$7,265 for the year ended December 31, 2016.

NOTE 4 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The date to which events occurring after December 31, 2016, the date of the most recent statement of financial position have been evaluated for possible adjustment to the financial statements or disclosure is October 31, 2017 which is the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 5 – PROGRAM SERVICES

<u>Satellite Development</u> – AMSAT designs, constructs, and launches satellites for amateur radio communication, research, and education in the space sciences. AMSAT owns and controls some of the orbiting satellites under license by the Federal Communications Commission. Some satellites are designed, constructed and operated in collaboration with similar amateur satellite groups in other parts of the world.

<u>Publications and Software</u> – AMSAT develops, publishes, prints, and distributes educational materials related to communication satellites, amateur radio, and scientific, educational, and technological programs. Included are the AMSAT Journal, Proceedings of the AMSAT-NA Space Symposium, a series of beginner's and satellite information guides, and a variety of computer programs and related hardware for computing and tracking orbiting satellites.

<u>Information and Symposia</u> – AMSAT distributes world-wide regular and special information bulletins about amateur satellites and space science activities using amateur packet radio networks, amateur radio voice networks by way of amateur satellite and high frequency radio, and the internet. AMSAT sponsors and promotes technological discussions on amateur spacecraft and space science on all of its networks. AMSAT also sponsors technical symposia and provides telephone information services. Information services are available to over 700,000 licensed amateur radio operators and to educators and students.

<u>Satellite Operations</u> – AMSAT, through members who are licensed amateur radio operators, takes care of the day-to-day operation of its satellites. These satellites are available for use by any properly licensed amateur radio operator world-wide. Satellite operations involve the technical command and control of on-board systems to insure proper operation and its long term well being. AMSAT operations personnel disseminate data and information to users for effective and timely use of satellite systems.

NOTE 6 – LEASE COMMITMENTS

On April 11, 2014, AMSAT entered into a five year lease at a new location for its office. The lease agreement provides for additional rent to be paid for increases in common building expenses and taxes. Minimum rent is increased annually at a rate of 3%. Office rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2016 including building expenses and taxes was \$24,677 Additional rent of \$1,350 was paid for a storage facility in Florida. The rental agreement for that space is done in 6 month increments. Future minimum lease commitments are as follows:

2017	\$ 21,600
2018	22,248
2019	5,603
Total	\$ 49,451
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 7 – LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS

AMSAT classifies its investments in marketable equity securities and mutual funds as available-for-sale investments and are shown at fair market values. The cost basis method used by the investment company is average cost for open-end mutual funds and first-in, first-out (FIFO) for all other securities. The gross proceeds from sales of mutual funds and other marketable securities for the years ended December 31, 2016 were \$234,575.

The following tables summarize the available-for-sale investments:

DECEMBER 31, 2016:		Gross Unrealized	Gross Unrealized	
DECEMBER 31, 2010.	Cost	Gains	Losses	Fair Value
Publicly Traded Stock Funds				
Communications	\$ 27,719	\$ 66,111	\$	\$ 93,830
World Allocation	121,352		(8,639)	112,713
Pacific/Asia Stock	34,476		(2,724)	31,752
Emerging Markets	45,260		(9,246)	36,014
Managed Futures	48,764		(2,959)	45,805
Convertibles	40,368		(70)	40,298
World Stock	36,529		(4,550)	31,979
Bank Loan	44,774		(249)	44,525
Large Growth	49,936		(4,755)	45,181
Long/Short Equity	34,037		(193)	33,844
Commodities	42,425		(11,698)	30,727
Large Value	39,155	545	, , ,	39,700
Publicly Traded Bond Funds				
World Bond Fund	45,771		(2,334)	43,437
Multisector Bond	44,233		(1,620)	42,613
Inflation Protected Bond	42,398		(762)	41,636
Total Marketable Securities	\$ 697,197	\$ 66,656	\$ (49,799)	\$ 714,054

The following table presents the gross realized gains and losses as of December 31, 2016:

Gross Realized Gains	\$ 4,654)
Gross Realized Losses	(3,492)
Total	\$ 1,162)

December 31, 2016

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 7 – LONG TERM INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

<u>Fair Value Measurements</u> – The fair value of financial assets and liabilities is measured according to the Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification. Fair value is required to be evaluated and adjusted according to the following valuation techniques.

- Level 1 Fair Value is determined using quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.
- Level 2 Fair Value is determined using quoted market prices in active markets for similar assets and liabilities
- Level 3 Fair Value is determined using unobservable market prices in a market that is typically inactive.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, marketable securities at fair value as of December 31, 2016

DECEMBER 31, 2016:	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	<u>Total</u>
Publicly Traded Stock Funds				
Communications	\$ 93,830	\$	\$	\$ 93,830
World Allocation	112,713			112,713
Pacific/Asia Stock	31,752			31,752
Emerging Markets	36,014			36,014
Managed Futures	45,805			45,805
Convertibles	40,298			40,298
World Stock	31,979			31,979
Bank Loan	44,525			44,525
Large Growth	45,181			45,181
Long/Short Equity	33,844			33,844
Commodities	30,727			30,727
Large Value	39,700			39,700
Publicly Traded Bond Funds				
World Bond Fund	43,437			43,437
Multisector Bond	42,613			42,613
Inflation Protected Bond	41,636			41,636
Total Marketable Securities	\$ 714,054			\$ 714,054

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION (AMSAT) WASHINGTON, DC

Our review was made primarily for the purpose of expressing a conclusion that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The supplemental information for the year ended December 31, 2016 included in the Statement of Functional Expenses is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, and we did not become aware of any material modifications that should be made to such information.

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October 31, 2017

RADIO AMATEUR SATELLITE CORPORATION
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016
See Accompanying Notes and Independent Accountants' Review Report)

PROGRAM SERVICES
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\$ 21,600 \$
9,349 47,464
25,691 10,441
2,977 15,761
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