# Kratos Selected by SKY Perfect JSAT as Strategic Partner for 5G NTN Satellite Ground System

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**Kratos OpenSpace® Software-Based Architecture Provides Significant Benefits Over Traditional Hardware Options**

SAN DIEGO, March 23, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (Nasdaq: KTOS), a technology company specializing in Defense, National Security and Global Markets, today announced that it has been selected by SKY Perfect JSAT Corporation (SKY Perfect JSAT) to develop and validate the 5G Non-Terrestrial Network (NTN) ground system for SKY Perfect JSAT's Universal NTN initiative. Through this engagement, Kratos will support the technical validation and early-stage implementation of software-based 5G NTN ground infrastructure as part of SKY Perfect JSAT's broader NTN strategy in the Asia-Pacific region.

The satellite industry is looking to 5G NTN as the future of seamless connectivity because it transforms satellites from specialized infrastructure into mainstream components of global mobile networks. Under increasing competitive pressure and demand for global broadband, 5G offers satellite operators and service providers the ability to expand their market and reduce costs to unlock new opportunities that were not possible in earlier generations of satellite technology. Kratos and SKY Perfect JSAT are collaborating to establish a foundation for phased validation and future co-innovation for 5G NTN in alignment with evolving 3GPP standards and the global 5G ecosystem.

"Satellite and terrestrial networks must advance together to realize the full potential of 5G, and that calls for partners who share our commitment to open architectures and global standards," said **Mr. Yuma Minowa, General Manager of the Universal NTN Strategy Division at SKY Perfect JSAT**. "At this stage, we see strong potential in Kratos' OpenSpace software-based architecture, particularly in terms of flexibility and scalability, as we move into the early phases of our NTN strategy. Our current focus is on initial validation and interoperability, starting from entity-based integration. We maintain a longer-term perspective on how 5G NTN could enable broader coverage, seamless roaming features, and new use cases across industries. Through phased validation and implementation, we aim to contribute to the maturation of 5G NTN technologies and the broader ecosystem together with the industry."

OpenSpace enables satellite operators to adopt a standards-based, software-defined network architecture that supports interoperability, multi-vendor environments, and large-scale deployment, while maintaining compatibility with existing VSAT systems. By delivering 5G NR (New Radio) capabilities in software, Kratos provides a flexible and low-risk approach to ground system evolution, supporting early experimentation and future operational scalability for NTN use cases.

"Our work with SKY Perfect JSAT is about shaping the future of global connectivity. As the industry moves into 5G NTN, operators need ground systems that are as dynamic and software-driven as the networks they're joining," commented **Greg Quiggle, Senior Vice President of Product Management at Kratos**. "Virtualization gives SKY Perfect JSAT the agility to scale, adapt, and innovate at the pace 5G demands. Together, we're building a 5G NTN system that positions SKY Perfect JSAT to lead in a world where satellite and terrestrial networks operate as one."

**About Kratos OpenSpace**

Kratos' OpenSpace family of solutions enables the digital transformation of satellite ground systems to become a more dynamic and powerful part of the space network. The family consists of three product lines: OpenSpace digitizers for converting satellite RF signals to be used in digital environments; OpenSpace quantum products, which are virtual versions of traditional hardware components; and the OpenSpace Platform, the first commercially available, fully orchestrated, software-defined ground system supporting multiple applications from Earth Observation and Remote Sensing to satellite communications. These three OpenSpace lines enable satellite operators and other service providers to implement digital operations at their own pace and in ways that meet their unique mission goals and business models. For more information about the OpenSpace family visit: www.kratosspace.com/virtual-ground/platform.

**About Kratos Defense & Security Solutions**

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capital resource comfort level. We intend to partner and team with a large, traditional system integrator when our assessment of PWin is greater or required investment is beyond Kratos' comfort level. Kratos' primary business areas include virtualized ground systems for satellites and space vehicles including software for command & control (C2) and telemetry, tracking and control (TT&C), jet powered unmanned aerial drone systems, advanced vehicles and rocket systems, propulsion systems for drones, missiles, loitering munitions, supersonic systems, space craft and launch systems, C5ISR and microwave electronic products for missile, radar, missile defense, space, satellite, counter UAS, directed energy, communication and other systems, and virtual & augmented reality training systems for the warfighter. For more information, visit www.KratosDefense.com.

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