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EOS Ceases Work on Proposed Satellite Manufacturing Hub

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Background to Australian Satellite Manufacturing Hub ('ASMH')

Electro Optic Systems Holdings Limited ("EOS" or "Company") previously announced on 17 May 2022 a collaboration venture between EOS, Nova Systems, Gilmour Space, UTS Tech Central and the Commonwealth and NSW Governments to establish the Australian Satellite Manufacturing Hub ('ASMH') for larger satellites up to 500 kg.

This collaboration included:

- The planned provision of grant funding from the Commonwealth of Australia under the Modern Manufacturing Initiative ("MMI") and from the New South Wales State Government; and
- Planned contributions by EOS and others, that were contingent on an understanding, included in EOS' proposal for an MMI grant, that Commonwealth of Australia would procure satellites from the collaboration venture for the Commonwealth Project 'National Space Mission for Earth Observation'.

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Recently, the Commonwealth of Australia determined that, following the Defence Strategic Review, the planned initial project, the National Space Mission for Earth Observation, would not proceed.

In light of this, and following various discussions, work by stakeholders on this venture and the associated MMI Grant has now ceased and is not currently expected to restart.

Impact on EOS

As a result of the decision not to proceed, no material costs or write downs are expected to arise.

This announcement has been authorised for release to ASX by the Board of Directors of the Company.

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ABOUT ELECTRO OPTIC SYSTEMS (ASX: EOS)

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