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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report on Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a 16 or 15d 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Month of August 2005

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd.

(Translation of Registrant s Name into English)

Gilat House, Yegia Kapayim Street Daniv Park, Kiryat Arye, Petah Tikva, Israel (Address of Principal Corporate Offices)

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Attached hereto is Registrant s press release dated August 17, 2005, announcing that Registrant s subsidiary, Spacenet Inc., has been selected by VST International, Inc. to provide broadband satellite connectivity for an advanced digital advertising network for gas and convenience stores in the US.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (Registrant)

BY: /S/ Rael Kolevsohn

Rael Kolevsohn General Counsel

Dated: August 17, 2005

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VST International selects Gilat s Spacenet subsidiary to provide satellite network services

Petah Tikva, Israel, August 17, 2005 Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (NASDAQ: GILTF) today announced that its U.S. subsidiary, Spacenet Inc., has been selected by VST International, Inc. to provide broadband satellite connectivity for an advanced digital advertising network for gas and convenience stores in the US. VST International, Inc. plans to deploy its VST Media Network at 1400 to 1700 sites within the next 12 to 18 months.

Spacenet is also providing VST its Connexstar EP service, which offers many of the benefits of a customized private VSAT network using a partitioned central hub infrastructure and dedicated network bandwidth. Connexstar EP is highly scalable, and can easily be expanded with additional bandwidth to meet the requirements of new applications.

VST Chief Executive Officer Lee Olesen said, We chose Spacenet s VSAT service because it will provide a consistent, reliable and affordable broadband solution for our nationwide media network. When comparing VSAT to terrestrial alternatives, we found that the utility and scalability of VSAT made it a perfect fit for our needs. In addition, Spacenet s proven experience implementing and maintaining thousands of VSAT sites makes them a valuable solutions provider.

Spacenet s President and CEO Bill Gerety said, VST demands the best in networking services to support the VST Media Network, and that is what Spacenet delivers. Our Connexstar EP service is an excellent example of how Spacenet customers can cost-effectively improve their networking performance by leveraging our technological advantages. We are confident that Spacenet s services will enable VST to rapidly and cost-effectively deliver large volumes of digital content to a growing number of locations over a reliable and scalable network infrastructure designed to suit their needs.

About VST

VST, headquartered in San Diego, California, specializes in providing state-of-the-art networked media solutions to retail oil companies worldwide through the VST Media Network. The VST Media Network is an active audience network that breaks through the everyday clutter by delivering high value, measurable impressions in a unique setting to an attentive audience. The VST Media Network is deployed through retail petroleum stations via fuel pump mounted monitors that provide full-motion video and stereo sound. Ideal for developing brand awareness, direct response retailing and executing product promotions, the VST Media Network improves the petroleum retailing experience and increases site revenues and profitability. More information about VST and the VST Media Network can be found at: www.vst-media.com.

About Spacenet

Spacenet is the worldwide services group of Gilat Satellite Networks. Spacenet Inc., based in McLean, Virginia, provides connectivity, value-added applications and managed networks to customers in North America and worldwide, including its Connexstar satellite and hybrid terrestrial broadband networking solutions for enterprise and government customers, and StarBand residential and small-office VSAT services. Spacenet has more than 20 years of experience providing wide area networks, application support, customer care and network management for some of the largest satellite-based networks in the world. Visit Spacenet at <u>www.spacenet.com</u>.

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About Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd.

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. (Nasdaq: GILTF) is a leading provider of products and services for satellite-based communications networks. The Company operates under two business units: (i) Gilat Network Systems (GNS), which is a provider of network systems and associated professional services to service providers and operators and (ii) Spacenet, which provides managed services for businesses and governments through its Connexstar service brand, for consumers through its StarBand service brand and for rural communities through Spacenet Rural Communications.

Gilat was founded in 1987 and has shipped over 550,000 Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSATs) to more than 80 countries across six continents. Gilat s headquarters is located in Petah Tikva, Israel. The Company has 14 local offices and 3 service facilities worldwide.

Gilat markets the SkyEdge Product Family which includes the SkyEdge Pro, SkyEdge IP, SkyEdge Call, SkyEdge DVB-RCS and SkyEdge Gateway. In addition, the Company markets numerous other legacy products. Visit Gilat at <u>www.gilat.com</u>

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