

January 30, 2021

To: Robert Bankston KE4AL AMSAT-NA President

RE: Violations of the AMSAT-BB AUP by Clint Bradford K6LCS

Violations of the AMSAT-NA Ambassador Code of Conduct by Clint Bradford K6LCS

Mr. Bankston:

I am hereby lodging a formal complaint against Clint Bradford K6LCS for his violations of the AMSAT-BB AUP and for violations of the AMSAT-NA Ambassador program.

Per the AUP of the AMSAT-BB nobody is allowed to do the following:

“Communicate any offensive, threatening, defamatory, vulgar, hateful, fraudulent, sexually explicit, or racially, ethnically, or otherwise objectionable material of any sort.”

Mr. Bradford, through his repeated attacks against John Brier KG4AKV, has violated the AUP of the AMSAT-BB and should immediately be suspended from the use of the mailing list. After all, you have terminated others (myself included) for less infractions. In fact, I was removed from the mailing list even though I did NOT violate any of the requirements of the AUP.

As AMSAT-NA finds itself under scrutiny of members and stakeholders, it is imperative that you properly, and ethically, enforce the rules of the mailing list to anyone that is a subscriber. Many members are upset about your refusal to properly enforce the rules. Should you not choose to do the right thing and enforce the rules against Mr. Bradford, it will further go to show that you are not impartial in your decisions and are a liability to the organization. The eyes of the amateur radio world are upon you and upon AMSAT-NA. This is not hyperbole; this is a fact. Should you choose to only let those that agree with your point of view to violate the rules, it will be an additional strike against both you and the organization.

The membership of AMSAT-NA expects you to remove the privilege of posting to the AMSAT-BB to Mr. Bradford immediately.

Mr. Bradford is also in violation, once again, of the AMSAT-NA Ambassador Code of Conduct for violations of the following:

- 6. We recognize that some members of our audience may have differing opinions from our own. We will treat those members and their opinions with respect and dignity, even if we do not agree.**
- 7. We will avoid conversations that could be inflammatory, such as religious or political subjects, disparaging remarks about lack of results, and any subjects that may trigger a negative emotional response.**
- 8. As AMSAT Ambassadors, and a representative of AMSAT, we shall not publicly post negative, disrespectful, obscene, threatening, inflammatory, harassing or discriminatory statements, material or comments or any information that will reflect negatively on ourselves, AMSAT or the AMSAT Ambassador program.**

Members are rightfully upset by the lack of leadership being shown to control an AMSAT-NA representative in public. This reflects directly upon you and the other Directors and Officers of AMSAT-NA. It is obvious to a growing majority of members that AMSAT-NA is being operated in a fraudulent manner which can (and will) affect the 501(c)(3) status of the organization. It would be in your best interest to immediately enforce the rules and policies of the organization.

I look forward to your prompt attention to this matter and to you replying to me that you have seen fit to equally enforce the rules and policies to all involved in both the AMSAT-BB mailing list and the AMSAT-NA Ambassador program.

I realize that I am emailing you this formal complain on a Saturday evening and would expect to hear back from you no later than Tuesday (2/2/2021) afternoon. I will be making this complaint public and will be encouraging others to do the same. Afterall, it's important that all members and stakeholders of AMSAT-NA be treated equally and not marginalized as you have done in the past.

73

Jeff Johns WE4B