DR. EHSANOLLAH BAYAT, FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BAYAT GROUP RECEIVES ANNUAL LEADERSHIP AWARD FROM AFGHAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Kabul, Afghanistan?May 3, 2018?The Bayat Group (<u>www.bayat-group.com</u>), Afghanistan's largest private company and employer, whose divisions include market-leaders Afghan Wireless (<u>www.afghan-wireless.com</u>), Ariana Television, (<u>www.arianatelevision.com</u>), ATN News (<u>www.ariananews.af</u>), Bayat Energy (<u>www.bayat-energy</u>) and other enterprises, announced today that Bayat Group Founder and Chairman **Dr. Ehsanollah Bayat**, is the recipient of the Annual Leadership Award from **The Afghan American Chamber of Commerce (AACC)**.

The Afghan-American Chamber of Commerce is the leading non-profit organization dedicated to championing investment in Afghanistan and promoting strong and supportive relationships between Afghan and American business leaders. The AACC bestowed its Annual Leadership Award?the organization's highest honor?upon Dr. Bayat in recognition of his powerful and innovative leadership in helping build a modern Afghan economy.

The Bayat Group is Afghanistan's largest employer, providing jobs to approximately 100,000 Afghans. Its operating subsidiaries include Afghan Wireless?The Bayat Group's founding company?which launched Afghanistan's wireless sector; Bayat Power, the nation's leading gas-to-power generation company; Ariana Television and Radio; and the Bayat Foundation, a philanthropic organization dedicated to nourishing the lives of at risk Afghan families and children.

?I accept the AACC's Annual Leadership Award with tremendous gratitude,? said Dr. Ehsanollah Bayat, the Founder and Chairman of The Bayat Group. ?The Bayat Group invests and builds in Afghanistan?we have a workforce that is **99 percent Afghan**?because we want Afghans to live better lives,? Dr. Bayat said.

About The Bayat Group

Founded by Mr. Ehsan Bayat, **The Bayat Group** (<u>www.bayat-group.com</u>), is Afghanistan's most prominent diversified services company, comprising Media and Telecoms (Afghan Wireless, Ariana TV/Radio), Energy and Mining (Bayat Energy), Construction, Security and Logistics Enterprises. A leader of Afghan-based economic development, The Bayat Group provides employment to more than 6,000 Afghans through its direct operations and employs more than 100,000 other Afghan citizens through its ecosystem of dealers and vendors.