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## DISCOVERY CHANNEL AND BBC TRACK ONE OF THE WORLD'S RAREST ANIMALS IN 'LAST TIGER STANDING'

-One Hour Special Airs September 25 at 10PM ET/PT-

(LOS ANGELES, CA) In the U.S. premiere of the Discovery Channel/BBC co-production **LAST TIGER STANDING**, <u>airing September 25 at 10PM ET/PT</u>, a team of experts braves the frozen forests of Russia seeking to track one of the world's rarest, most secretive and most endangered animals, the Siberian tiger. The one hour special will air directly after TIGRESS BLOOD, airing September 25 at 9PM ET/PT.

The BBC Natural History Unit (known for award-winning films such as *Planet Earth*) has been in existence for over 50 years. But throughout those years, there is one animal they have never succeeded in filming – until now: the Siberian tiger. The Siberian tiger is the largest subspecies of tiger and the largest cat in the world. Their numbers have declined dramatically in the last two decades, and scientists are eager to find them in order to gain a better knowledge of their behaviors and personalities. But the task won't be easy. Siberian tigers are so elusive that more scientists have been to space than have seen a Siberian tiger in the wild.

In this groundbreaking documentary, biologist Liz Bonnin and a team of scientists embark on a mission to Siberia to film Siberian tigers in the wild. Time is of the essence for the scientists and filmmakers gathering in a remote Siberian outpost in the depths of winter. Russian scientists estimate that only 300-350 of these big cats remain in the wild, and the only way to protect them is to first find them. Capturing the world's rarest tiger on videotape to better understand its behavior may be the best way to protect it from poachers and loss of habitat. When three orphaned cubs are discovered in the process, a desperate rescue mission is launched.

**LAST TIGER STANDING** is a Discovery Channel/BBC co-production. For BBC, Tim Martin is executive producer with Ted Oakes as series producer. For Discovery Channel, Robert Zakin is executive producer with Jeanine Butler as producer and John Cavanagh as coordinating producer.

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