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TERRIFYING MONSTERS RUN AMOK DURING ANIMAL PLANET'S INAUGUARAL BEASTLY NIGHTS PROGRAMMING EVENT

--Viewers are in for a spine-chilling scare with all-new nightmarish premieres beginning **Sunday,**October 26th through Thursday, October 30th —

(New York) – Just in time for Halloween, Animal Planet unleashes five days of cryptic creatures, near-death tales and never-before-seen footage for its first-ever **BEASTLY NIGHTS**. Beginning **Sunday, October 26, at 8 PM (ET/PT)**, Animal Planet's **BEASTLY NIGHTS** brings terror to viewers' living rooms with a five-night block of programming, including all-new specials **MONSTERS BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN** and **THE HUNT FOR HOGZILLA**.

For centuries the Soviet Union was a land of mystery and secrets. On **Sunday, October 26, from 9-11 PM (ET/PT),** Animal Planet's **MONSTERS BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN** investigates mountain wild men, lake monsters and the elusive tales of the Mountain of the Dead. Animal Planet uncovers age-old mysteries with the help of new technology and harrowing first-hand accounts of wild attacks.

Premiering Monday, October 27, at 8 PM (ET/PT), THE HUNT FOR HOGZILLA follows a group of men from Eastern North Carolina whose life mission is to locate Hogzilla, the legendary part boar/part bear beast that's been terrorizing that area. Monday through Thursday, Animal Planet airs amped-up episodes of RIVER MONSTERS, featuring special 'behind-the-river' looks at some of Jeremy Wade's most haunting encounters to date. Then, the network premieres an all-new version of its b-film special when BLOOD LAKE: THE LOST FOOTAGE hits the air Thursday, October 30, from 11-1 PM. The number of victims is on the rise, and two girls relaxing by the pool are in for a surprise when a refreshing swim turns deathly. Blood-thirsty lampreys, terror-inducing hogs and skin-piercing piranhas are just a few of the devilish monsters that are sure to keep you haunted all BEASTLY NIGHTS long.

About Animal Planet

Animal Planet, a multi-media business unit of Discovery Communications, is the world's only entertainment brand that immerses viewers in the full range of life in the animal kingdom with rich, deep content via multiple platforms and offers animal lovers and pet owners access to a centralized online, television and mobile community for immersive, engaging, high-quality

entertainment, information and enrichment. Animal Planet consists of the Animal Planet television network, available in more than 94 million homes in the US; online assets www.animalplanet.com, the ultimate online destination for all things animal; Animal Planet L!VE, the go-to digital destination for round-the-clock, unfiltered access to the animal kingdom; and other media platforms including a robust Video-on-Demand (VOD) service, and merchandising extensions.

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