# EASTERLY GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES ANNOUNCES TAX CHARACTERISTICS OF ITS 2016 DISTRIBUTIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – January 17, 2017 – Easterly Government Properties, Inc. (NYSE: DEA) ("Easterly" or the "Company"), a fully integrated real estate investment trust focused primarily on the acquisition, development and management of Class A commercial properties leased to the U.S. Government, announced today the tax characteristics of the 2016 distributions on its common stock. The tax reporting will be done on Form 1099-DIV and shareholders are encouraged to consult with their personal tax advisors as to the specific tax treatment of these distributions. The characteristics of the Company's distributions are as follows:

## Distributions on Easterly Common Shares:

| Record Date | Payment Date | | Dividend Per Share | Ordinary Taxable Dividend | Return of Capital | Capital Gain | Unrecaptured Sec. 1250 Capital Gain |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3/10/2016 | 3/25/2016 | | $0.2200 | $0.1305 | $0.0895 | $0.0000 | $0.0000 |
| 6/8/2016 | 6/23/2016 | | $0.2300 | $0.1364 | $0.0936 | $0.0000 | $0.0000 |
| 8/26/2016 | 9/13/2016 | | $0.2300 | $0.1364 | $0.0936 | $0.0000 | $0.0000 |
| 12/7/2016 | 12/22/2016 | | $0.2400 | $0.1424 | $0.0976 | $0.0000 | $0.0000 |
| | | **Totals:** | **$0.9200** | **$0.5458** | **$0.3742** | **$0.0000** | **$0.0000** |
| | | **Percent of Total:** | **100.00%** | **59.32%** | **40.68%** | **0.00%** | **0.00%** |

## About Easterly Government Properties, Inc.

Easterly Government Properties, Inc. (NYSE:DEA) is based in Washington, D.C., and focuses primarily on the acquisition, development and management of Class A commercial properties that are leased to the U.S. Government. Easterly's experienced management team brings specialized insight into the strategy and needs of mission-critical U.S. Government agencies for properties leased through the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). For further information on the Company and its properties, please visit www.easterlyreit.com.

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