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Note verbale dated 1 May 1975 from the Permanent Mission of France
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations presents its compliments
to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to inform him of
the launching of the European Space Agency satellite named Météosat.

The satellite was launched on 23 November 1977 at 0135 hours GMT by United
States Delta rocket 2914 from Cape Canaveral in Florida.

Météosat reached its definitive position at 36,000 km altitude on 7 December,
in geostationary orbit above the Equator (0° longitude over the Gulf of Guinea).