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REGISTRATION OF OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE

Note verbale dated 23 April 1992 from the Permanent  
Representative of Japan to the United Nations  
addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to notify him, in conformity with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space, of the launching of two space objects on behalf of Japan, with registration details as follows:

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| 1. | Name of satellite:       | JERS-1 (FUYO-1)                            |
|    | Designation:             | 1992-007A                                  |
|    | Name of launching State: | Japan                                      |
|    | Date of launch:          | 11 February 1992, 0150 (GMT)               |
|    | Location of launch:      | Tanegashima Space Centre, Kagoshima, Japan |

Basic orbital parameters:

Nodal period:	96.0 minutes
Inclination:	97.7 degrees
Apogee:	579.6 km
Perigee:	558.0 km

General function:

To verify functions and performance of optical sensors and a Synthetic Aperture Radar and to establish an integrated system for observing the Earth's resources;

To perform observations and measurements for land survey, agriculture, forestry, fishery, environmental preservation, disaster prevention and coastal surveillance.

Launch vehicle: H-I launch vehicle  
Launching organization: National Space Development Agency of Japan (NASDA)

2. Name of satellite: Superbird-B  
Designation: 1992-010A  
Name of launching State: Japan (France)  
Date of launch: 26 February 1992, 2358 (GMT)  
Location of launch: Kourou Space Centre, French Guiana

Basic orbital parameters:  
Nodal period: 1436' 08.7"  
Inclination: 0.04165740 degrees  
Apogee: 35,806.8028 km  
Perigee: 35,768.2650 km

General function: Domestic communication  
Launch vehicle: Ariane 4 rocket  
Launching organization: Arianespace

At the same time the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations wishes to notify the Secretary-General that space object Astro-C (Ginga) (1987-012A), whose registration details were previously transmitted to the Secretary-General (ST/SG/SER.E/162), is no longer in Earth orbit and has not been since 1 November 1991.

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