COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

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Note verbale dated 17 February 1993 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 a space object on behalf of Japan, with registration details as follows:

Name of satellite: Geotail
Designation: 1992-044A
Name of launching State: Japan and the United States of America
Date of launch: 24 July 1992, 1426 (GMT)
Location of launch: Cape Canaveral Station
Cape Canaveral, Florida,
United States of America

Basic orbital parameters:
Nodal period: 741,000 seconds
Inclination: 28.6 degrees
Apogee: 341,164 km
Perigee: 184 km
General function: To investigate the structure and dynamics of the geomagnetic tail that extends on the nightside of the Earth

Launch vehicle: Delta II

Launching organization: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)