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## INFORMATION FURNISHED IN CONFORMITY WITH THE CONVENTION ON REGISTRATION OF OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE

### Note verbale dated 23 January 1996 from the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and, in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space,\* has the honour to transmit information concerning space objects launched by the United Kingdom (see annex).

APSTAR-I is a telecommunications satellite launched on 21 July 1994 from Xichang, China. It should be noted that on launching this satellite was known as APSTAR-1. Its name has since been changed to APSTAR-I. AsiaSat-2 is a telecommunications satellite launched on 28 November 1995 from Xichang, China.

<sup>\*</sup>See General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex, of 12 November 1974.

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#### Annex

#### **REGISTRATION DATA ON SPACE OBJECTS LAUNCHED BY THE UNITED KINGDOM\*** Name of object launched: **APSTAR-I** International designation: 1994-043A National catalogue No .: 23185 Date of launch: 21 July 1994 Location of launch: Xichang, China Basic orbital parameters: Nodal period: 1,440±0.2 minutes Inclination: $0\pm0.05$ degrees Apogee radius: 42,167 kilometres Perigee radius: 42,164 kilometres Orbital position: 138 degrees East (for geostationary satellite) Owner/operating organisation: APT Satellite Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Fixed-satellite telecommunications services and transmission of General function of space object: television signals Expected operational life: Approximately 10 years Name of object launched: AsiaSat-2 International designation: 1994-056A National catalogue No.: 23723 Date of launch: 28 November 1995 Location of launch: Xichang, China Basic orbital parameters: Nodal period: 1,440±0.2 minutes Inclination: $0\pm0.5$ degrees Apogee radius: 42,167 kilometres 42,164 kilometres Perigee radius:

 Orbital position:
 100.5 degrees East (for geostationary satellites)

 Owner/operating organisation:
 Asia Satellite Telecommunications Co., Ltd., Hong Kong

 General function of space object:
 Fixed-satellite telecommunication services and transmission of television signals

 Eveneeted exerctional life:
 Approximately 15 years

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<sup>\*</sup>The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.