Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Information furnished in conformity with the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space

Letter dated 22 September 2014 from the Head of the Legal Services Department of the European Space Agency to the Secretary-General

In conformity with the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), the rights and obligations of which the European Space Agency (ESA) has declared its acceptance of, in particular article IV, paragraph 2, ESA has the honour to notify the Secretary-General that, further to a decision of the ESA Council dated 16 October 2013, with effect as at 1 January 2014, ownership of the ARTEMIS satellite (previously registered in document ST/SG/SER.E/432) has been transferred from ESA to Avanti Communications Group Ltd., a company under the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (see annex).

[Signed]
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Annex

Additional information on a space object previously registered by the European Space Agency*

Advanced Relay and Technology Mission (ARTEMIS) satellite

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Committee on Space Research international designator: 2001-029A

Name of space object: Advanced Relay and Technology Mission (ARTEMIS) satellite

National designator/registration number: 26863

State of registry: European Space Agency

Date and territory or location of launch

Date of launch: 12 July 2001 UTC

Territory or location of launch: Guiana Space Centre, Kourou, French Guiana

Basic orbital parameters

Nodal period: 1,436 minutes
Inclination: 10.7 degrees
Apogee: 35,807.2 kilometres
Perigee: 35,778.5 kilometres

General function of space object: ARTEMIS is a data-relay satellite with optical, S-band and Ka-band payloads, including an L-band land mobile and navigation payload for the European Geostationary Navigation Overlay System (EGNOS)

Additional voluntary information for use in the Register of Objects Launched into Outer Space

Geostationary position: 21.55 degrees east

Change of supervision of the space object

Date of change of supervision: 1 January 2014 UTC

Identity of the new owner or operator: Avanti Communications Group Ltd.

Launch vehicle: Ariane 5G V142

* The information was submitted using the form prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution 62/101 and has been reformatted by the Secretariat.