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**Note verbale dated 16 March 2006 from the Permanent Mission of
the Russian Federation to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed
to the Secretary-General**

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), has the honour to transmit registration data on space launches by the Russian Federation for December 2005 and also on the space objects that ceased to exist during that period (see annex).



Annex

Registration data on space launches by the Russian Federation for December 2005*

1. In December 2005, the following space objects belonging to the Russian Federation were launched:

Number	Name of space object	Date of launch	Basic orbital characteristics				General function of space object
			Apogee (km)	Perigee (km)	Inclination (degrees)	Period (hours and minutes)	
3196	Progress M-55 (launched by a Soyuz carrier rocket from the Baikonur launch site)	21 December	256	193	51.7	88.7	Delivery to the International Space Station of fuel, food and other expendable materials required for operation of the Station during the piloted flight
3197	Gonets-M (launched by a Cosmos-3M carrier rocket from the Plesetsk launch site)	21 December	1 469	1 449	82.5	114.9	Work on a low-orbit satellite communications system
3198	Cosmos-2416 ^a	21 December	1 469	1 449	82.5	114.9	The space object is intended for assignments on behalf of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation
3199	Cosmos-2417 (launched by a Proton carrier rocket from the Baikonur launch site)	25 December	19 141	19 122	64.5	11h 15m	Work in connection with the Global Navigation Satellite System (GLONASS)
3200	Cosmos-2418 ^b	25 December	19 141	19 122	64.5	11h 15m	
3201	Cosmos-2419 ^b	25 December	19 141	19 122	64.5	11h 15m	

^a The space objects Cosmos-2416 and Gonets-M were launched by a single Cosmos-3M carrier rocket from the Plesetsk launch site.

^b The space objects Cosmos-2417, Cosmos-2418 and Cosmos-2419 were launched by a single Proton carrier rocket from the Baikonur launch site.

* The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.

2. In December 2005, the Russian Federation launched the following space objects on behalf of foreign clients:

On 28 December 2005, a European experimental navigation satellite for the testing of Galileo on-board and ground equipment was launched into Earth orbit by a Soyuz-FG carrier rocket with a Fregat booster from the Baikonur launch site.

On 29 December 2005, the United States AMC-23 telecommunications satellite was launched into Earth orbit by a Proton-M carrier rocket with a Breeze-M booster from the Baikonur launch site.

3. The following space object ceased to exist in December 2005 and was no longer in Earth orbit as at 2400 hours Moscow time on 31 December 2005:

2001-032A (AUOS-SM-KF).
