Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

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

Note verbale dated 19 March 2009 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 has the honour to transmit, in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), registration data on space launches by the Russian Federation for January 2009 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 January 2009*

1. In January 2009, the following space object belonging to the Russian Federation was launched:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Name of space object</th>
<th>Date of launch</th>
<th>Apogee (km)</th>
<th>Perigee (km)</th>
<th>Inclination (degrees)</th>
<th>Period (minutes)</th>
<th>General function of the space object</th>
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<td>3257</td>
<td>Complex Orbital</td>
<td>30 January</td>
<td>581</td>
<td>541</td>
<td>82.5</td>
<td>95.7</td>
<td>Study of the Sun and astrophysical research</td>
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<td>Near-Earth Observations of Solar Activity (CORONAS)-Foton (launched by a Tsiklon-3 carrier rocked from the Plesetsk launch site)</td>
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2. In January 2009, the Russian Federation did not launch any space objects on behalf of foreign clients.

3. The following space objects ceased to exist in January 2009 and were no longer in Earth orbit at 2400 hours Moscow time on 31 January 2009:

   1964-006B (Electron-2) – 20 April 1997: burned up during re-entry into the Earth’s atmosphere;
   1964-038B (Electron-4) – 12 October 1983: burned up during re-entry into the Earth’s atmosphere;
   1985-045A (Cosmos-1658) – 12 November 2005: burned up during re-entry into the Earth’s atmosphere.

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