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RESOLUTION 1721 B (XVI) BY STATES LAUNCHING OBJECTS INTO  
ORBIT OR BEYOND

Letter dated 15 July 1981 from the Permanent  
Representative of India to the United Nations  
addressed to the Secretary-General

In pursuance of General Assembly resolution 1721 B (XVI), I have the honour to transmit to you the following information concerning a satellite constructed by India and recently launched from India's own launching range at Sriharikota in India:

Name: Rohini satellite D-1

Launch vehicle: SLV-3 launcher

Date of launch: 31 May 1981

Launch site: Sriharikota Range, Andhra Pradesh, India

Orbit characteristics: Apogee 425.56 km  
Perigee 180.59 km  
Inclination 46.25°  
Period 90.6 min

Purpose: This was the first developmental flight of the SLV-3 launch vehicle. The Rohini satellite carried a landmark tracker payload for accurate orbit and attitude determination

The satellite re-entered the earth's atmosphere on 8 June 1981

(Signed) N. KRISHNAN  
Ambassador/Permanent Representative  
of India to the United Nations