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Note verbale dated 14 June 2001 from the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary- General

The Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and has the honour to transmit, in accordance with paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 1721 (B) (XVI) of 20 December 1961, information concerning the Italian mini-satellite MITA and micro-satellite MEGSAT-1 (see annex).

Annex

Registration data for Italian space launches*

1. The technical data of the Italian Space Agency (ASI) MITA mission are the following:

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| Name of space object: | MITA |
| Type: | Mini-satellite |
| Launching date: | 15 July 2000; 11.59 UTC |
| Launching State: | Russian Federation (Plesetsk) |
| Launching vehicle: | Cosmos |
| Orbital period: | 93.6 minutes |
| Inclination: | 87° 18' |
| Orbit: | Circular |
| Altitude: | 450 km |
| Purpose of space object: | Technological demonstration |

2. The technical data of the Italian mission MEGSAT-1 are the following:

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| Name of space object: | MEGSAT-1 |
| Type: | Micro-satellite |
| Launching date: | 26 September 2000; 10.05 UTC |
| Launching State: | Kazakhstan (Baikonur) |
| Launching vehicle: | Dnepr |
| Orbital period: | 97.555 minutes |
| Inclination: | 64.55° |
| Orbit: | Circular |
| Altitude: | 540.2 km |
| Perigee: | 639.9 km |
| Purpose of space object: | Data communications with store and forward system; scientific, technological and commercial applications. |

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