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Letter dated 3 November 1971 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 1721 B (XVI), I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency the following information concerning the satellite recently launched into outer space by the United Kingdom:

Satellite designation

Prospero

Launch vehicle

Black Arrow Rocket

Purpose of launching

To test in space equipment for future satellites and to conduct a scientific experiment to measure the incidence of micro-meteoroids

Time of launching

0409 GMT

Date of launching

28 October 1971

Place of Launching

Woomera, South Australia

Apogee

1,582 KMS

Perigee

548 KMS

Interjection point

13.7 degrees south 137.9 degrees east

Nodal period

106 minutes

Inclination of orbit

82.057 degrees

Anticipated life

100 years

(Signed) C.T. CROWE