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Letter dated 17 May 1982 from the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

In pursuance of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space, I have the honour to transmit to you the following information concerning INSAT-IA satellite and its upper stage, namely, Payload Assist Module, launched from the Eastern Space and Missile Centre, Cape Canaveral, United States of America:

(a) Name:

INSAT-IA satellite

Launch vehicle:

Delta 3910 launcher

Date of launch:

10 April 1982

Launch site:

Eastern Space and Missile Centre,

Cape Canaveral, United States of America

Orbit characteristics:

Geosynchronous orbit Longitude 74° east

24 hour orbit

Purpose:

Operational multipurpose satellite for

telecommunications, meteorological, imaging and data relay, radio and television programme distribution and direct television broadcasting

for community reception

(b) Name:

Spent Payload Assist Module (PAM) motor and non-functional objects originally part of PAM and PAM-Spacecraft adapter used for INSAT-IA

spacecraft launching

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Launch vehicle:

Delta 3910

Date of launch:

10 April 1982

Launch site:

Eastern Space and Missile Centre,

Cape Canaveral, United States of America

Orbit characteristics:

Perigee altitude 1

166.25 km

Apogee altitude

35,126 km

Inclination

28.4°

Purpose:

It was used to put INSAT-IA satellite into

transfer orbit upon separation from Delta 3910

in a ballistic trajectory

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