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Note verbale dated 13 December 2012 from the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela 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 paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 1721 B (XVI) of 20 December 1961, information concerning the space platform Miranda, the first Venezuelan remote sensing satellite (VRSS-1) (see annex).



Annex

Registration data on an object launched into space by the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*

International designator: 2012-052A
Name of space object: Satellite Miranda
(Venezuelan remote sensing satellite VRSS-1)
Date of launch: 29 September 2012, 12.12 p.m., local time, China
Launch site: Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre, Ganzu Province,
China
Launching State: China
Nodal period: 97.32 minutes
Inclination: 98.02728 degrees
Apogee: 639.540 km
Type of orbit: Sun-synchronous
General function: The Miranda satellite will provide the Bolivarian
Republic of Venezuela with data and images to
support decision-making at the Government level
in strategic areas such as town planning, food
security and agricultural planning, natural resource
management, border surveillance and natural
disaster management, among others
Owner of the space object: Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
Operating agency: Bolivarian Agency for Space Activities (ABAE)

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