



**Committee on the Peaceful
Uses of Outer Space****Information furnished in conformity with the Convention
on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space****Letter dated 19 February 2015 from the Legal Services
Department of the European Space Agency addressed to the
Secretary-General**

In conformity with Article IV, paragraph 3 of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), the rights and obligations of which the European Space Agency (ESA) has declared its acceptance of, the Agency has the honour to notify the Secretary-General that its Automated Transfer Vehicle 5 (ATV-5) cargo spacecraft "Georges Lemaître", launched on 29 July 2014 and previously registered in document ST/SG/SER.E/733, re-entered the Earth's atmosphere at approximately 1900 hrs Central European Time (CET) on 15 February 2015 and is therefore no longer in orbit.

Furthermore, the Agency takes this opportunity to inform the Secretary-General of the successful mission of the ESA Intermediate eXperimental Vehicle (IXV), launched at 1440 hrs CET on 11 February 2015 from the Guiana Space Centre in Kourou, French Guiana, by a Vega rocket. The vehicle performed a suborbital flight with a duration of 100 minutes including its re-entry, descent and landing in the Pacific Ocean.

(Signed)

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