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**Note verbale dated 3 February 2009 from the Permanent Mission
of the Russian Federation to the United Nations (Vienna)
addressed to the Secretary-General**

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation 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 article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), registration data on space launches by the Russian Federation for December 2008 and also on the space objects that ceased to exist during that period (see annex).



Registration data on space launches by the Russian Federation for December 2008*

1. In December 2008, the following space objects belonging to the Russian Federation were launched:

Basic orbital characteristics						
Number	Name of space object	Date of launch	Apogee (km)	Perigee (km)	Inclination (degrees)	Period (hours and minutes)
3253	Cosmos-2446 (launched by a Molniya carrier rocket from the Plesetsk launch site)	2 December	39 208.0	539.0	62.8	11 h 45 m
3254	Cosmos-2447 ^a	25 December	19 150.8	19 127.0	64.5	11 h 15 m
3255	Cosmos-2448 ^a	25 December	19 150.8	19 127.0	64.5	11 h 15 m
3256	Cosmos-2449 ^a	25 December	19 150.8	19 127.0	64.5	11 h 15 m
^a Launched by a single Proton-M carrier rocket with a 11S861 booster from the Baikonur launch site.						
Intended for assignments on behalf of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation						
Work in connection with the Global Navigation Satellite System (GLONASS)						

2. In December 2008, the Russian Federation launched the following space object on behalf of a foreign client: on 10 December 2008, the Canadian telecommunications satellite Ciel-2 was launched into Earth orbit by a Proton-M carrier rocket with a Breeze-M booster from the Baikonur launch site.

3. The following space object ceased to exist in December 2008 and was no longer in Earth orbit at 2400 hours Moscow time on 31 December 2008: 2008-043A (Progress M-65).

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