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RESOLUTION 1721 B (XVI) BY STATES LAUNCHING OBJECTS INTO
ORBIT OR BEYOND

Letter dated 11 August 1972 from the First Deputy Permanent Representative
of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed
to the Chairman of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, information concerning space objects launched into earth orbit or beyond by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics during the period 14 April to 26 June 1972.

(Signed) V. ISSRAELYAN

INFORMATION

concerning launchings of space objects, submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Nos.	Name of satellite	Purpose of launching	Date of launching	Basic characteristics		
				Perigee (km)	Apogee (km)	Inclination (degrees)
603	Prognoz	Study of the processes of solar activity and of their influence on interplanetary space and the earth's magnetosphere	14 April 1972	950	200,000	65
604	Cosmos 486	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	14 April 1972	214	267	81.4
605	Cosmos 487	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	21 April 1972	278	531	71
606	Cosmos 488	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	5 May 1972	211	319	65.4
607	Cosmos 489	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	6 May 1972	980	1,010	74
608	Cosmos 490	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	17 May 1972	212	310	65.4
609	Molniya 2	Continued operation of the long-range telephone and telegraph radiocommunications system, transmission of central television programmes to stations in the Orbita network and international co-operation	19 May 1972	460	39,300	65.5

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610	Cosmos 491	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	25 May 1972	210	303	65
611	Cosmos 492	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	9 June 1972	209	342	65
612	Cosmos 493	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	21 June 1972	213	308	65
613	Cosmos 494	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	23 June 1972	791	829	74
614	Cosmos 495	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	23 June 1972	206	298	65.4
615	Cosmos 496	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space	26 June 1972	195	342	51.6