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Note verbale dated 11 August 1988 from the Permanent Mission of
the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, in conformity with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space, has the honour to transmit information concerning space objects launched by the USSR in May 1988 and concerning objects previously launched into earth orbit which are no longer in orbit.

1. In May 1988, the USSR launched the following space objects:

No.	Name of space object	Date of launching	Basic orbit characteristics				General purpose of space object
			Apogee (km)	Perigee (km)	Inclination (degrees)	Period (minutes)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2400	Ekran	6 May	35 620	35 620	0.4	1 427	Transmission of USSR Central Television programmes to a network of receivers for collective use
2401	Cosmos-1942	12 May	385	178	67	89.8	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2402	Progress-36	13 May	262	193	51.6	88.8	Transporting sundry cargo to the MIR orbital station
2403	Cosmos-1943	15 May	876	851	71.2	101.2	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2404	Cosmos-1944	18 May	311	205	64.8	89.4	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2405	Cosmos-1945	19 May	391	217	70.4	90.3	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2406	Cosmos-1946	21 May	19 137	19 137	64.2	675	Testing of components and systems for a space-based navigation system being constructed to track Soviet civil aircraft and naval and fishing vessels
2407	Cosmos-1947	...	...	...	...	...	...
2408	Cosmos-1948	...	...	...	...	...	...
2409	Molniya-3	26 May	40 716	636	62.5	737	Operation of the long-range telephone and telegraph radio communications system and transmission of USSR Central Television programmes to stations in the Orbita network and in the framework of international co-operation

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2410	Cosmos-1949	28 May	431	412	65	93	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2411	Cosmos-1950	30 May	1 534	1 503	73.6	116	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
2412	Cosmos-1951	31 May	272	187	82.3	88.8	Investigation of the natural resources of the earth in the interests of various branches of the Soviet economy and international co-operation

All objects were launched from the territory of the USSR.

2. The following space objects ceased to exist in May 1988 and were no longer in earth orbit at 2400 hours Moscow time on 31 May 1988:

Progress-35 (1988-024A)
Cosmos-1926 (1988-027A)
Cosmos-1941 (1988-035A)
Cosmos-1945 (1988-042A)