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Note verbale dated 28 May 2002 from the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space,* has the honour to submit information concerning space objects launched by Germany in March 2002 (see annex).

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^{*} General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex, of 12 November 1974.

Annex

Registration data on space objects launched by Germany in March 2002^*

A. GRACE 1

Registration number: D-R022

Type: Satellite

Launching State: Germany

Designation of space object: GRACE 1

Date and location of launch: 17 March 2002

Kosmodrome Plesetsk, Russian Federation

Basic orbital parameters:

Period: 95 minutes

Inclination: 89.025446 degrees

Apogee: 505 km Perigee: 475 km

General function: Mini satellite mission to measure the

global gravitational field of the Earth; delivery of an actual (updated) model of the gravity field every 30 days; atmospheric-ionospheric sounding

Date of registration into the Aircraft Register of the Federal Republic of

Germany—Spacecraft: 30 April 2002

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

B. GRACE 2

Registration number: D-R023

Type: Satellite

Launching State: Germany

Designation of space object: GRACE 2

Date and location of launch: 17 March 2002

Kosmodrome Plesetsk, Russian Federation

Basic orbital parameters:

Period: 95 minutes

Inclination: 89.025446 degrees

Apogee: 505 km Perigee: 475 km

General function: Mini satellite mission to measure the

global gravitational field of the Earth; delivery of an actual (updated) model of the gravity field every 30 days; atmospheric-ionospheric sounding

Date of registration into the Aircraft Register of the Federal Republic of

Germany—Spacecraft: 30 April 2002