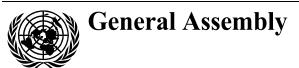
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We have the honour to transmit the text of the memorandum of understanding between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on notifications of missile launches, signed in Brussels on 16 December 2000 (see annex).*

We would be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex were distributed as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 73.

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^{*} The memorandum of understanding contained in the annex to the present letter has also been issued as a document of the Conference on Disarmament (CD/1640).

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