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# Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Information furnished in conformity with the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space

Note verbale dated 17 March 2020 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), in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), has the honour to transmit data on space launches by the Russian Federation in January and February 2020 and on previously launched space objects that ceased to exist during that period (see annexes I and II).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The data on space objects referenced in the annexes were entered into the Register of Objects Launched into Outer Space on 1 June 2020.





#### Annex I

### Registration data on space objects launched by the Russian Federation in January 2020\*

- 1. In January 2020, the Russian Federation did not launch any space objects included, in accordance with established practice and its international obligations, in the register of space objects launched by the Russian Federation and over which it exercises jurisdiction and control.
- 2. In January 2020, the Russian Federation did not launch any space objects on behalf of foreign clients.
- 3. In January 2020, the following space object ceased to exist and was no longer in Earth orbit as at 2400 hours Moscow time on 31 January 2020:

1977-010A (Molniya 2-17), which burned up on 6 January 2020.

<sup>\*</sup> The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.

## **Annex II**

#### Registration data on space objects launched by the Russian Federation in February 2020\*

In February 2020, the following space object under the jurisdiction and control of the Russian Federation was launched:

Registration number of space object	Name of space object, launch vehicle and place of launch		Basic orbital parameters				
		Date of launch	Apogee (km)	Perigee (km)	Inclination (degrees)	Period (minutes)	General function of space object
3539-2020-001	Meridian, launched by a Soyuz-2-1a carrier rocket with a Fregat upper stage from the Plesetsk launch site	20 February 2020	39 691.4	999.5	62.8	724.2	Intended for assignments on behalf of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation

In February 2020, the Russian Federation launched the following space objects on behalf of a foreign client:

On 7 February 2020, 34 OneWeb satellites (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) were launched from the Baikonur launch site by a Soyuz-2-1b carrier rocket with a Fregat-M upper stage.

In February 2020, the following space object ceased to exist and was no longer in Earth orbit as at 2400 hours Moscow time on 29 February 2020.

2019-041A (Soyuz MS-13): descent module landed at a predetermined location with members of an International Space Station expedition on 6 February 2020.

<sup>\*</sup> The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.