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Letter dated 5 March 1996 from the Legal Counsellor of the European Space Agency addressed to the Secretary-General

In conformity with the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space*, to which the European Space Agency has acceded, the European Space Agency has the honour to transmit information on the launching of satellites ISO and SOHO on 17 November and 2 December 1995 from the Kourou Space Centre (French Guiana) and the Kennedy Space Center (United States of America) respectively.

Detailed information is in the annex.

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

Annex

**REGISTRATION DATA ON SPACE OBJECTS LAUNCHED BY
THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY***

Name of object launched:	ISO
Designator:	ESA/95/2
Date of launch:	17 November 1995
Location of launch:	Kourou Space Centre, French Guiana
Basic orbital parameters:	Nodal period: 1,440 minutes Inclination: 5.2 degrees Apogee height: 70,998 kilometres Perigee height: 990 kilometres Orbital position: ... Argument of perigee: 136 degrees
Name of launching authority:	ESA
General function of space object:	The Infrared Space Observatory (ISO) is a scientific satellite for the exploration of infrared astronomy in the wavelength range of approximately 1-200 micrometres
Frequency plan:	Earth-Space: 2087.0688 MHz (Telecommand/Tracking) Space-Earth: 2266.5 MHz (Telemetry/Tracking)
Name of object launched:	SOHO
Designator:	ESA/95/3
Date of launch:	2 December 1995
Location of launch:	Kennedy Space Center, Florida, United States of America
Basic orbital parameters:	Nodal period: ... Inclination: ... Apogee height: 1,360,000 kilometres (see below) Perigee height: ... Orbital position: ... Argument of perigee: ...

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

Name of launching authority: ESA

General function of space object: SOHO is a scientific satellite with an orbit around the L1 libration point, about 1.4 million kilometres from the Earth, in the direction of the Sun on the Earth-Sun line. It forms part of a major international effort for the study of solar terrestrial physics

Frequency plan: Earth-Space: 2067.2708 MHz (Telecommand/Tracking)
Space-Earth: 2245.0 MHz (Telemetry/Tracking)