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Note verbale dated 19 May 2003 from the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to transmit, in accordance with article IV of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space (General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex), registration data on space objects launched by China on 11 April 2003 (see annex).

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Annex

Registration data on space objects launched by China*

On 11 April 2003, the AsiaSat 4 telecommunications satellite was launched from Cape Canaveral, United States of America.

			Basic orbital characteristics				_
Registration number	Name of space object	Date of launch	Nodal period (minutes)	Inclination (degrees)	Apogee radius (km)	Perigee radius (km)	General function of space object
2003/19	AsiaSat 4 geostationary telecommunications satellite (launched from Cape Canaveral, United States of America)	11 April 2003	1 436.0	0±0.05	42 170	42 160	Fixed-satellite telecommunications and broadcasting services with an expected operational lifespan of 15 years.

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

^{**} Serial number of the China National Space Administration (CNSA) space object registration form.

^{***}CNSA registration date.