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## JAPAN ESTABLISHES SATELLITE STATION IN CANADA

Canada and Japan have concluded an agreement concerning the establishment of a temporary satellite support facility at the Churchill Research Range, Manitoba. The station will be used for telemetry acquisition and command transmission in connection with a Japanese project to study the physics of the aurora polaris and its related phenomena over the northern auroral region through the Exos-A satellite. The 127 kilogram Exos-A was launched into orbit from Japan on February 4, 1978 by the University of Tokyo's Institute of Space and Aeronautical Science.

The Agreement represents a further step in the recent Canadian and Japanese efforts to expand bilateral co-operation in scientific and technological fields.

