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Excellency,

I have the honour to present the claim of Canada against the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in respect of damage to Canada, its citizens and residents, caused by the Soviet Cosmos 954 nuclear-powered Satellite on and after January 24, 1978.

The claim of Canada for compensation for damage caused by the Soviet Cosmos 954 Satellite is based on the relevant international agreements and in particular the 1972 Convention on International Liability for Damage caused by Space Objects, to which both Canada and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics are parties, and on general principles of international law. The claim of Canada for compensation, in the amount of \$6,041,174.70 (Canadian), is presented without prejudice to the right of Canada to make additional claims for compensation in this matter in respect of damage not yet identified or determined or, given the

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His Excellency Alexander N. Yakovlev, Ambassador of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, OTTAWA.