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Subject: Additional Information Request

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Message:

Regarding orbital debris mitigation, AST&Science believes that its satellite operations are subject to “direct and effective” regulatory oversight by Papua New Guinea’s regulator, NICTA. In particular, PNG intends to follow all ITU rules and regulations for orbital debris mitigation, and will specifically require AST&Science to dispose of the satellite in accordance with Recommendation ITU-RS.1003-2, Environmental Protection of the Geostationary Satellite Orbit (including any future recommendations specifically for NGSO networks), and in a manner that minimizes risk to operating satellites and or other international agreed standards. We will provide a signed letter from the National Information and Communications Technology Authority as soon as it is received that indicates that NICTA will provide this direct and effective oversight of orbital debris.

Regarding registration of the satellite with the UN Office of Outer Space Affairs, PNG is willing and able to register the AST&Science satellite(s). We will provide a signed letter from the National Information and Communications Technology Authority as soon as it is received that indicates that NICTA will register the Blue Walker 1.

Regarding the narrowed confidentiality request, we have submitted a revised narrative description marked for public consumption.