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The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Heads of Mission accredited in Oslo and has the honour to inform them that an international scientific rocket campaign will take place from Andøya Rocket Range in the time period January 15 to February 10 1995. In this period three rockets will be launched, one Black Brant XII which is a four stage configuration and two meteorological Viper 3 A/Dart Falling Sphere.

The launching of the rockets can take place any day within the specified launch period dependent on the scientific criteria, and the launch window will be between 0500 hrs LT and 1200 hrs LT.

Seagoing traffic should be aware of the predicted impact areas as specified below:

- 1A. Impact area for the 1st stage; Black Brant XII:
A sector with origin in the launcher coordinates:
N 69° 17' 40" E 16° 01' 15"
True bearing: 270° - 020°
Sector length: 0.7 nautical miles
- 1B. Impact area for the 2nd stage; Black Brant XII:
A circle with radius 2.5 nautical miles in the predicted impact point: N 69° 25' E 16° 00'
- 1C. Impact area for the 3rd stage; Black Brant XII:
An ellipse with maximum length in North/South direction of 68 nautical miles from a predicted impact point: N 73° 27' E 15° 04' and a maximum length in East/West direction of 45 nautical miles from the same predicted impact point.
- 1D. Impact area for the 4rd stage; Black Brant XII:
An ellipse with maximum length in North/South direction of 325 nautical miles from a predicted impact point N 85° 38' E 08° 40' and a maximum length in East/West direction of 245 nautical miles from the same predicted point.

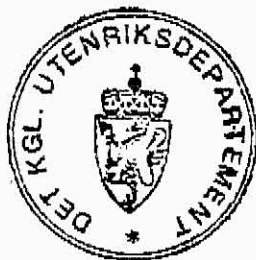
- 2A. Impact area for 1st stage Viper 3 A/Dart Falling Sphere:
A sector with origin in the launcher coordinates:
N 69° 17' 40" E 16° 01' 15"
True bearing: 270° - 020°
Sector length: 4 nautical miles
- 2B. Impact area for final impact of Viper 3 A/Dart Falling Sphere:
A circle with radius 25 nautical miles from a predicted impact point N
70° 10' E 15° 45'

The Royal Ministry would be grateful to the Heads of Mission for their assistance in conveying this information to their national authorities.

No reply to this note is necessary.

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the diplomatic Heads of Mission accredited in Oslo the assurances of its highest consideration.

Oslo, 21 December 1994



To
The Heads of Mission
accredited in Oslo