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### **Agenda Item No 6: Report of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee on its Sixtieth Session**

#### **Mr. Chairman**

The delegation of Pakistan would like to express its appreciation for the successful 60<sup>th</sup> session of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee (STSC) held in February this year. We extend our gratitude to Mr. Juan Francisco Facetti, the Chairperson of the STSC, and the Secretariat for their diligent work. We also commend the efforts of all the working groups under the STSC, including the Working Group on Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities, the Working Group on Space Debris, the Working Group on Space and Global Health, and the Working Group on Nuclear Power Sources in Outer Space.

#### **Mr. Chairman**

Pakistan firmly believes that space technology plays a crucial role in advancing socioeconomic development, and we have consistently emphasized this stance in our statements. We recognize the potential of space technology for addressing the needs of developing countries and for monitoring the Earth's environment through remote sensing by satellite. We appreciate the discussions held under the agenda item of remote sensing, including its applications for developing countries and the monitoring of the Earth's environment.

#### **Mr. Chairman**

Pakistan acknowledges the importance of addressing the challenge of space debris and the need for effective measures to mitigate its impact on space activities. We have actively participated in discussions on space debris and have stressed the significance of international cooperation and collaboration in this area.

Pakistan also recognizes the value of space-system-based disaster management support in mitigating the impact of natural disasters. We have highlighted the importance of utilizing space technology and satellite-based systems for effective disaster response and management, and we appreciate the discussions held on this subject within the STSC.

#### **Mr. Chairman**

Regarding recent developments in global navigation satellite systems, Pakistan has expressed its views on the significance of these advancements and their potential

for enhancing navigation capabilities and global positioning services. We recognize the importance of international cooperation in this field and appreciate the efforts made by the STSC to address this matter.

Space weather and near-Earth objects are crucial topics that require attention and collaborative efforts. Pakistan has actively contributed to discussions on space weather and recognizes the need for robust monitoring and forecasting systems to mitigate the impact of space weather events. Furthermore, we acknowledge the importance of studying and monitoring near-Earth objects to ensure the safety and security of our planet.

**Mr. Chairman**

Pakistan strongly supports the long-term sustainability of outer space activities. We have emphasized the need for responsible and sustainable practices in outer space and have actively engaged in discussions on the long-term sustainability of outer space activities within the STSC. We appreciate the efforts made by the Working Group on the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities in addressing this critical issue.

In conclusion, Pakistan values the work of the STSC as a vital platform for dialogue, cooperation, and the advancement of space technology. We remain committed to actively contributing to discussions and collaborative efforts in all the aforementioned agenda items.

**Thank you**

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