

**Committee on the Peaceful
Uses of Outer Space
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General exchange of views and introduction of reports submitted on national activities.

Non-paper by the Chair of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee

1. The High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) will be held from 8 to 17 July 2024, under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council.

2. The theme will be "Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: the effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions" (A/DEC/77/553).

3. The HLPF in 2024, without prejudice to the integrated, indivisible and interlinked nature of the Sustainable Development Goals, will review in-depth: **Goal 1.** End poverty in all its forms everywhere; **Goal 2.** End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture; **Goal 13.** Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts; **Goal 16.** Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels; and **Goal 17.** Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development.

4. The General Assembly, in its Resolution 78/72 of 7 December 2023, entitled "International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space", reiterated the need to promote the benefits of space technology and its applications in the major United Nations conferences and summits for economic, social and cultural development and related fields, and recognized that the fundamental significance of space science and technology and their applications for global, regional, national and local sustainable development processes should be promoted in the formulation of policies and programmes of action and their implementation, including through efforts towards achieving the objectives of those conferences and summits and in implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

5. Recognizing

the long-standing work of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space under its agenda items on space for sustainable development and space and climate change, as well as

the work of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, through its Programme on Space Applications, the United Nations Platform for Space-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response, and the space4climate action initiative, in capacity-building, education and training in space science and applications, in particular in agriculture, food security and climate action, including the series of the UN/Austria symposia on space applications for food systems and Space4Climate action, and

the work of the Office in its capacity as secretariat of UN-Space in coordination of space-related activities within the United Nations system and the UN-Space

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special reports and publications on space for climate actions and space for agriculture and food security,

the Chair of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee proposes the following text for inclusion in the ministerial declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development to be held in July 2024:

“Promote the use of space science, technology, data and applications for agriculture, food security and climate action, and advance capacity-building, education and training in space science and applications, in particular for developing countries.”
