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National mechanisms:

No special national mechanism related to space debris has been adopted.

However, a procedural requirement was established in accordance with Presidential Orders ref. 3303 dated 10 October 2017 and ref. 3738 dated 1 March 2018, which entrusts “Azercosmos” OJSCo to carry out activities to implement the launch, operation and exploitation of the satellites of the Republic of Azerbaijan with telecommunication, Earth observation and other missions. Furthermore, this procedural requirement inter alia applies to space debris mitigation (if any) in relation to the satellites that fall under jurisdiction and responsibility of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Description:

“Azercosmos” OJSCo is state-owned entity established to carry out activities to implement the launch, operation and exploitation of the satellites of the Republic of Azerbaijan with telecommunication, Earth observation and other missions.

Applicability:

Presidential orders on “Azercosmos” OJSCo are applicable to all satellite related activities of the Republic of Azerbaijan within and outside the country.

Relation to international mechanisms:

General compliance and support to the following international mechanisms:

- ITU Recommendation ITU-R S.1003;
- Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

The following standards and guidelines are also taken into account:

- ISO Standards (24113: Space Systems — Space Debris Mitigation Requirements; and others);
- European Code of Conduct for Space Debris Mitigation;
- IADC Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines.

References:

- <http://azercosmos.az/about-us-legal-documents>