

**Statement of the Ukrainian delegation  
at the 60th session of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful  
Uses of Outer Space  
Agenda Item 10 “General exchange of information and views on legal  
mechanisms relating to space debris mitigation and remediation measures,  
taking into account the work of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee”  
(Anna Hurova)**

Mr. Chair

Littering of near-Earth space is a common increasing hazard for long-term sustainability of all space actors. Legal regulation of relationships concerning space debris mitigation and remediation is a complex juridical problem. Here are some juridical tasks that on our opinion should be subject of discussion of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. The prosecution for causing harm by space debris is strictly connected to the clear definition of the term “launching State” in the light of transmission of the ownership rights and control practices. The identification of space objects for the aim of space traffic management and an active debris removal is required to improve the registration procedure and capacity, that are the building mechanisms like exchanging information thereof. Thus, Ukrainian delegation believes that it’s necessary to intensify activity under the auspices of the this Subcommittee for the elaboration of documents concerning such issues and is ready to effectively partake in this activity.

Mr. Chair,

Ukraine welcomes and strongly supports implementation of the UN GA Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer and the Guidelines for the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space into national legislation. UK’s draft resolution concerning responsible behavior in space should also pay attention to the hazards related to the littering of the near-Earth space.

Mr. Chair,

Ukraine contributes to the global effort to detect space debris and assess dangerous rapprochement thanks to the National Space Facilities Control and Test Centre of the State Space Agency of Ukraine, which operates the system of control and analysis of space situation and exchange information with relevant systems of other States.

State Space Agency of Ukraine as a member of the Inter-Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee (IADC) takes an active part in elaboration of reports concerning to the spacecraft component vulnerability for space debris impact, influence on the evolution of space debris environment by the large constellations of satellites in LEO. The Agency is involved also into elaboration of further recommendations for the implementation of Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines, taking into consideration new challenges.

Mr. Chair,

Since 2006, national space activity in Ukraine is performed according to “The Rules of space activity in Ukraine (URKT - 11.03). Limitation of clogging of near-Earth

space during the operation of space technology”. Its development was requirement under the licensing procedure. According to the amendments to the Law “About Space Activity” implemented in 2020, such the requirements are attributable to preparation of flight plan under the permission procedure.

Mr. Chair,

Ukrainian delegation is convinced that only comprehensive and joint actions can stabilize the threats posed by space debris and preserve outer space for future generations.

We appreciate your due attention. \_\_\_\_\_

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