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COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF  
OUTER SPACE

Scientific and Technical Subcommittee

Forty-second session

Vienna, 21 February – 4 March 2005

**Agenda item 5**

**Implementation of the recommendations of  
the Third United Nations Conference on the Exploration  
and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE III)**

**LIST OF ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE  
WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

**United Nations Programme on Space Applications**

(General Assembly resolution 59/116, para. 16)

1. Workshops, training courses and symposia organized within the framework of the Programme
2. Long-term fellowships for in-depth training
3. Technical advisory services

*Reference document: A/AC.105/840*

**Implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III**

(General Assembly resolution 59/116, para. 16)

**General Assembly Resolution 59/2**

*Reference document: A/RES/59/2*

1. Urged all Governments, entities of the United Nations system as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental entities conducting space-related activities to carry the action contained in the Plan of Action, on a priority basis, to further implement the recommendations of UNISPACE III, in particular its resolution entitled “The Space

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Millennium: Vienna Declaration on Space and Human Development” (*operative paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 59/2*)

2. Noted that some of the actions contained in the Plan of Action will be implemented by the Committee through the consideration of items of the agendas of the Committee or its subsidiary bodies and through those action teams that will continue their work as endorsed by the Committee (*operative paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 59/2*)
3. Agreed that the Committee should continue to consider, in its future sessions, starting with its forty-eighth session, the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III until the Committee considers that concrete results are achieved (*operative paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 59/2*)

**Plan of Action endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 59/2**

*Reference Document: A/59/174, pages 57-77*

1. The Use Of Space To Support Overarching Global Agendas For Sustainable Development
  - (a) Establishing a closer link with the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development  
*see paragraphs 232-233 of A/59/174 and operative paragraph 7 of A/RES/59/2*
  - (b) Applying the results of space research to promote sustainable development  
*see paragraphs 237-238 of A/59/174*
  - (c) Developing a comprehensive, worldwide environmental monitoring strategy  
*see paragraphs 243-244 of A/59/174*
  - (d) Improving the management of the Earth’s natural resources  
*see paragraphs 247-248 of A/59/174*
2. Developing Coordinated, Global Space Capabilities
  - (a) Maximizing the benefits of existing space capabilities for disaster management  
*see paragraphs 256-263 of A/59/174 and operative paragraphs 9-10 of A/RES/59/2*
  - (b) Maximizing the benefits of the use and applications of global navigation satellite systems to support sustainable development  
*see paragraphs 267-268 of A/59/174 and operative paragraph 11 of A/RES/59/2*
3. The Use Of Space To Support Specific Agendas To Meet Human Development Needs At The Global Level
  - (a) Enhancing weather and climate forecasting by expanding international cooperation in meteorological satellite applications  
*see paragraph 273 of A/59/174 and operative paragraph 12 of A/RES/59/2*
  - (b) Improving medical and public health services through the use of space technologies  
*see paragraphs 276-279 of A/59/174*
  - (c) Promoting cooperation in the study of near-Earth objects as threats to society at large  
*see paragraphs 282-283 of A/59/174*
4. Overarching Capacity Development
  - (a) Increasing awareness of space benefits to improve the economic and social welfare of humanity

- (b) *see paragraphs 289-293 of A/59/174 and operative paragraph 8 of A/RES/59/2*  
Improving knowledge-sharing by promoting universal access to space-based communication services  
*see paragraph 297 of A/59/174*
- (c) Enhancing capacity-building in space-related activities  
*see paragraphs 301-309 of A/59/174*
- (d) Identifying sources of financing to support development activities with space applications  
*see paragraphs 313-314 of A/59/174 and operative paragraph 17 of A/RES/59/2*

**Draft provisional agenda of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee at its forty-third session, in 2006**

(General Assembly resolution 59/116, para. 16)

1. New items to be included in the agenda  
*The following items have been suggested in the Subcommittee at its current session:*  
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2. Theme for the fifth industry symposium to be held in 2006

*Note: The Working Group of the Whole agreed at its session in 2000 that the task of selecting a theme should be rotated among the members of the Eastern European Group, G-77 and WEOG (A/AC.105/736, annex II, para. 12). The theme for the next symposium should be proposed by the WEOG. The following themes have been addressed by the symposia held in the past:*

<i>Year 2000</i>	<i>Interactive multimedia satellite services: implications for the twenty-first century</i>
<i>Year 2001</i>	<i>Emerging applications of global navigation satellite systems: a new utility with global benefits (theme selected by WEOG)</i>
<i>Year 2002</i>	<i>Expanding operational applications of very high resolution remote sensing: potential and challenges in civilian applications (theme selected by G-77)</i>
<i>Year 2004</i>	<i>Smaller, size, wider use: small satellite applications in agriculture, health and human security (EEur)</i>