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**Implementation of the recommendations
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on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of
Outer space (UNISPACE III)**

**STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS
OF UNISPACE III**

The present document contains information on the status of the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III.

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Table 1: Indication of priority assigned to the recommendations, by group

(as recorded in document A/AC.105/L.234 published 28 May 2001 for the forty-fourth session of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, held from 6-15 June 2001)

Table 1	<i>Recommendation^a</i>	
Group 1 (49-72 points)	1. 2. 4. 7. 10. 11. 18. 19.	Develop a comprehensive, worldwide environmental monitoring strategy Improve the management of Earth's natural resources Enhance weather and climate forecasting Implement an integrated, global system to manage natural disaster mitigation, relief and prevention efforts Improve universal access to and compatibility of space-based navigation and positioning systems Promote sustainable development by applying the results of space research Increase awareness among decision makers and the general public of the importance of space activities Establish/strengthen national mechanisms for the coordination of space activities
Group 2 (25-48 points)	3. 5. 6. 8. 9. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 20. 21. 22. 24. 25.	Develop and implement the Integrated Global Observing Strategy Minimize the harmful effects of space activities on the local and global environments Improve public health services Promote literacy and enhance rural education through tele-education Improve knowledge-sharing through the promotion of universal access to space-based communication services Improve scientific knowledge of near and outer space through cooperative activities Protect the near-Earth space and outer space environments through mitigation of space debris Improve the international coordination of activities related to near-Earth objects Protect the near-Earth space and outer space environments through further research on the use of nuclear power sources Minimize interference with bands in the electromagnetic spectrum Enhance capacity-building by developing human and budgetary resources Improve the sharing of information on and use of spin-offs from space activities Provide education opportunities for youth to learn more about space science and technology and participate in space activities Create within the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space a consultative mechanism to facilitate the participation of youth in cooperative space-related activities Reaffirm the role of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, its subcommittees and its secretariat in the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space Ensure sustainable funding mechanisms for regional centres affiliated to the United Nations and enhance support for the United Nations Programme on Space Applications

Table 1	<i>Recommendation^a</i>	
	26.	Encourage the increased use of space-related systems and services by the organizations of the United Nations system and by the private sector
	27.	Invite States to ratify or accede to, and invite intergovernmental organizations to declare acceptance of, the outer space treaties
	28.	Further consider the agenda structure and working methods of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its subcommittees
	29.	Strengthen the coordination of mutually beneficial activities between the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and other United Nations entities
	30.	Call upon the international community to consider the recommendations of the regional preparatory conferences for UNISPACE III
	32.	Identify new and innovative sources of financing to support the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III
	33.	Promote further the peaceful uses of outer space, through cooperation between “space-faring” and “non-space-faring” nations, as well as among developing countries, and involvement of civil society, including industry
Group 3 (1-24 points)	23.	Create awards to recognize outstanding contributions in space activity
	31.	Establish a special voluntary United Nations fund for the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III

^a The recommendations are in the order of their appearance in the Vienna Declaration.

Table 2: Recommendations for which Action Teams were established by the Committee
(Chapter II, Section C, Table, page 7 of document A/59/174)

Table 2	<i>Recommendation^a</i>
1.	Develop a comprehensive, worldwide environmental monitoring strategy
2.	Improve the management of Earth’s natural resources
4.	Enhance weather and climate forecasting
6	Improve public health services
7.	Implement an integrated, global system to manage natural disaster mitigation, relief and prevention efforts
9.	Improve knowledge-sharing through the promotion of universal access to space-based communication services
10.	Improve universal access to and compatibility of space-based navigation and positioning systems
11.	Promote sustainable development by applying the results of space research
14.	Improve the international coordination of activities related to near-Earth objects
17.	Enhance capacity-building by developing human and budgetary resources
18.	Increase awareness among decision makers and the general public of the importance of space activities
32.	Identify new and innovative sources of financing to support the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III

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Table 3: Recommendations of UNISPACE III that are being or have been implemented by the Committee and its Subcommittees, the Office for Outer Space Affairs or other international entities
(Chapter V, Section C, paragraph 179 of document A/59/174)

Table 3	<i>Recommendation^a</i>		<i>Been or is being implemented</i>
Group 2	3.	Develop and implement the Integrated Global Observing Strategy	IGOS-P
	8.	Promote literacy and enhance rural education through tele-education	Other international entities
	12.	Improve scientific knowledge of near and outer space through cooperative activities	Committee, Subcommittees, OOSA and other international organizations
	13.	Protect the near-Earth space and outer space environments through mitigation of space debris	Committee and Subcommittees, IADC
	15.	Protect the near-Earth space and outer space environments through further research on the use of nuclear power sources	Committee and Subcommittees
	16.	Minimize interference with bands in the electromagnetic spectrum	Subcommittee and other international organizations
	20.	Improve the sharing of information on and use of spin-offs from space activities	Committee, Subcommittees and other national and international organizations
	21.	Provide education opportunities for youth to learn more about space science and technology and participate in space activities	OOSA and other international organizations
	22.	Create within the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space a consultative mechanism to facilitate the participation of youth in cooperative space-related activities	Committee, Subcommittees and OOSA
	24.	Reaffirm the role of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, its subcommittees and its secretariat in the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space	Committee and Subcommittees
	25.	Ensure sustainable funding mechanisms for regional centres affiliated to the United Nations and enhance support for the United Nations Programme on Space Applications	OOSA, Governments and space agencies

Table 3	<i>Recommendation^a</i>		<i>Been or is being implemented</i>
	26.	Encourage the increased use of space-related systems and services by the organizations of the United Nations system and by the private sector	OOSA and other international organizations
	27.	Invite States to ratify or accede to, and invite intergovernmental organizations to declare acceptance of, the outer space treaties	Committee and Subcommittees
	28.	Further consider the agenda structure and working methods of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its subcommittees	Committee and Subcommittees
	29.	Strengthen the coordination of mutually beneficial activities between the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and other United Nations entities	Committee, Subcommittees, OOSA and other international organizations
	33.	Promote further the peaceful uses of outer space, through cooperation between “space-faring” and “non-space-faring” nations, as well as among developing countries, and involvement of civil society, including industry	Being undertaken through a larger number of follow-up activities of UNISPACE III
Group 3	31.	Establish a special voluntary United Nations fund for the implementation the recommendations of UNISPACE III	Completed

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Table 4: Recommendations of UNISPACE III that remain to be addressed
(Chapter V, Section C, paragraph 179 of document A/59/174)

Table 4	<i>Recommendation^a</i>	
Group 1	19.	Establish/strengthen national mechanisms for the coordination of space activities
Group 2	5.	Minimize the harmful effects of space activities on the local and global environments
	30.	Call upon the international community to consider the recommendations of the regional preparatory conferences for UNISPACE III
Group 3	23.	Create awards to recognize outstanding contributions in space activity