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**Committee on the Peaceful
Uses of Outer Space**
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**Application for membership of the Committee on the
Peaceful Uses of Outer Space**

Note by the Secretariat

The present document contains a copy of the application of Sri Lanka for membership with the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. The Note Verbale of the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka to the United Nations (Vienna) containing the application of Sri Lanka, was received by the Secretariat on 10 February 2015 and was circulated to member States of the Committee in Note Verbale OOSA/2015/3, CU 2015/39/OOSA/CPLA of 11 February 2015.





**EMBASSY AND PERMANENT MISSION
OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA IN AUSTRIA**

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The Permanent Mission Sri Lanka in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and has the honour to communicate as follows:

Considering Sri Lanka's ratification of the Outer Space Treaty in 1986 and Sri Lanka's active contribution to the subject of peaceful use of outer space with the introduction of a Resolution entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" at the First Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, as well as given potential advantages for the Country that may arise from being a full participant in all processes relating to UN-COPUOS, it is felt desirable that Sri Lanka should seek membership of UN-COPUOS as well as of its Scientific and Technical Subcommittee.

Accordingly, the Permanent Mission is pleased to convey to the Secretariat, the intention of the Government of Sri Lanka to become a member of UN-COPUOS and would like to be advised of the arrangements that should be made to assume membership of that Committee.

The Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka in Vienna avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), the assurances of its highest consideration.

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