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The Legal Sub-Committee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Upholding the principle enunciated in the first article of the Charter that the purposes of the United Nations are, inter alia, to achieve international co-operation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural and humanitarian character and to make the Organization a center for harmonizing the actions of nations in the attainment of common ends,

Recognizing the great importance of international co-operation in the exploration and exploitation of outer space for peaceful purposes,

Recalling that in the "Declaration of Legal Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space" the General Assembly stated the following basic points:

- (i) The recognition of the common interest of all mankind in the progress of the exploration and use of outer space for peaceful purposes;
- (ii) The belief that the exploration and use of outer space should be carried for the betterment of mankind and for the benefit of States irrespective of their degree of economic and scientific development;
- (iii) The desire to contribute to broad international co-operation in the scientific as well as in the legal aspects of exploration and use of outer space for peaceful purposes;
- (iv) The belief that such co-operation will contribute to the strengthening of friendly relations between nations and peoples.

Recalling that the General Assembly in its Resolution 1472(XIV) stated that "the United Nations should promote international co-operation in the peaceful use of outer space", and expressed in its Resolution 1721 (XVI) the belief that "the United Nations should provide a focal point for international co-operation in the peaceful exploration and use of outer space";

Believing that the objective of the United Nations in promoting international co-operation in the field of outer space is to achieve the necessary international confidence in the peaceful purposes of all outer space activities;

Desiring that co-operation between the space and non-space powers including the developing countries should be encouraged and promoted within the purview of the United Nations for the benefit of all nations;

Recommends to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

(i) To initiate a study of the possibilities of establishing within the United Nations of a machinery which could promote international co-operation, in both the legal and the scientific and technical fields of the peaceful exploration and use of outer space.

(ii) To ascertain the viewpoints of Member States regarding the desirability and organization of such international machinery.

(iii) To forward the viewpoints of Member States in this regard to the Legal Sub-Committee and the Scientific and Technical Sub-Committee, as well as to the proposed Outer Space Conference in 1967, for consideration in their respective fields.