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**Committee on the Peaceful Uses  
of Outer Space**  
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**New agenda item on the draft provisional agenda for the forty-seventh  
session of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee**

**Note by the Secretariat**

The following text would appear in the report of the fifty-second session of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space under agenda item 7. "Report of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee on its forty-sixth session" with regards to the agenda of the Subcommittee at its forty-seventh session in 2010:

"The Committee agreed that the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee should include, starting from its forty-seventh session, a new agenda item entitled "Long-term sustainability of outer space activities" under the multi-year workplan presented below:

2010: General exchange of views on present and future challenges facing outer space activities as well as potential measures that could enhance the long-term sustainability of outer space activities, with a view to establish a working group open to all member States of the Committee.

2011: Preparation of a report on long-term sustainability of outer space activities and examination of measures that could enhance the long-term sustainability of outer space activities; preparation of a draft set of best practices guidelines.

2012/2013: Continuation of consideration and finalization of the report and of the set of best practices guidelines for presentation to and review by the Committee.

The Committee also agreed that it would consider whether the set of best practices guidelines should require review by the Legal Subcommittee before endorsement by the Committee. Once the set of best practices guidelines have been endorsed, the Committee may also consider whether the set of best practices guidelines should be annexed to a specific General Assembly resolution or should be endorsed by the General Assembly as part of its annual resolution on international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space."

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