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Additional paragraphs for the draft report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Note by the Secretariat

Please delete paragraph 41.

Please <u>add</u> the following paragraphs in document A/AC.105/L.275/Add.1 with the following:

45bis. The Committee took note of the proposal made by the delegations of Germany and Italy for the establishment, under the auspices of the United Nations, of an international platform that would be freely accessible to Member States (A/AC.105/2009/CRP.19).

45ter. In that connection, some delegations were of the view that it was important to make available information on the existing population of objects in outer space in order, *inter alia*, to avoid collisions in outer space between operational spacecraft, as well as between space debris and operational spacecraft, and to protect people from hazards associated with the re-entry of space debris. Concrete measures were required to make existing information and data on objects in outer space available for the promotion of the safe and sustainable use of outer space.

45quater. The view was expressed that a thorough assessment should be carried out of the resources that would be required for the establishment of such a platform.

45quinquis. The view was expressed that the public data currently available which would be a primary source for the proposed platform, would not be sufficient for analysing possible collisions of spacecraft with space debris. That delegation also expressed its concern regarding issues of liability.

45sexies. The Committee agreed to invite the Inter-Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee to advise the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee on the proposal made by the delegations of Germany and Italy, taking into account the views expressed at the present session of the Committee.



