Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space Legal Subcommittee

744th Meeting Tuesday, 11 April 2006, 3 p.m. Vienna

Chairman: Mr. R. González (Chile)

The meeting was called to order at 3.00 p.m.

The CHAIRMAN (*interpretation from Spanish*): Good afternoon distinguished delegates. This is to fool everybody. For those who believe that Latin Americans are not punctual, we can gage say(?) what they are saying and I think that the distinguished delegate of Peru agrees with me.

So the 744th session of the Legal Subcommittee is now open. We will continue and suspend our consideration of agenda item 11, pending discussions in the Working Group on this item.

We will also continue our consideration of agenda item 12, Proposals to the Committee on New Agenda Items, and I would like to invite delegations wishing to make statements under either of these two agenda items to please register with the Secretariat as soon as possible.

The Working Group on Item 11 will hold its third session under the chairmanship of Mr. Kai-Uwe Schrogl. I think in three months, I will have it down so I can actually his last name but you all know to whom I am referring, of course.

Practice of States and international organizations in registering space objects (agenda item 11)

Distinguished delegates, I would now like to continue and I think maybe even suspend because we do not have any speakers on this list, agenda item 11, Practice of States and International Organizations in Registering Space Objects. I have no speakers on the list for this item.

I wonder if any delegate would like to take the floor at this time.

And according to my information, the Working Group's meeting this morning was very interesting and very active. No doubt it would be worthwhile to make statements either in the plenary or in the Working Group meeting.

I see that there are no requests for the floor so we will suspend this item and, as I said, this is pending the results of the Working Group on Item 11.

Proposals to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space for new items to be considered by the Legal Subcommittee at its forty-sixth session (agenda item 12)

I would now like to continue with examination of agenda item 12, that is new agenda items.

There is an extensive list of delegates who do not wish to take the floor. I have no one wishing to take the floor. Truly, it is a long list. I am wondering if any of you would like to dazzle us with your abundant legal knowledge. No?

Alright then, then tomorrow morning we will conclude this item on the agenda because the truth of the matter is that we cannot continue with virtual general discussions where no one takes the floor so tomorrow we might as well conclude this. Tomorrow morning we will conclude this item on the agenda.

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We are going to beat all United Nations records. I am now going to adjourn this session but before I do so, let me just inform delegates of the programme for tomorrow morning.

We will meet punctually at 10.00 a.m. and we will conclude item 12. So we will continue it but conclude. Let me just underscore that we will conclude it tomorrow.

And the Working Group on Item 11 will hold its fourth meeting tomorrow.

Are there any questions before adjourning this session? Any questions?

The distinguished Ambassador of Colombia? I thought you were asking for the floor.

So you agree? Thank you.

This session is adjourned.

I apologize. I would like to invite the Chairman of the Working Group on Item 11 to assume the Chair in this august assembly.

Thank you.

We cannot say it was either long or productive this meeting, but we have complied with the requirements.

The meeting adjourned at 3.06 p.m.