Agenda Item 13: Future role and method of work of the Committee

Republic of Korea

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Thank you, Mr. Chair.

This agenda item allows us to set out the view of the Republic of Korea on the future role of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS).

The Republic of Korea attaches great importance to ensuring the peaceful uses of outer space and safety of the space environment, as our daily lives are heavily reliant on space systems and services.

We firmly believe that international cooperation is the key to achieving this goal. And COPUOS has played a pivotal role in fostering such international cooperation, as many delegations mentioned during the Committee.

By reviewing the area of international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space and studying the nature of legal problems which may arise from the exploration of outer space, COPUOS has raised its voices to strengthen international regime governing peaceful uses of outer space.

The Republic of Korea looks forward to the Committee's continued engagement in addressing pertinent issues. And Korea stands ready to render its full support for the Committee in its endeavors.

Before closing, the Republic of Korea would like to suggest ways to

optimize the way we work together.

We believe that it would be more efficient and effective if we discuss each agenda item in order, instead of jumping between them.

By organizing our discussions in a consecutive order, it would enhance comprehension and enable delegations who wish to engage in specific agenda items to plan their business trips more easily and participate more effectively in the deliberations.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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