

POINTS OF INTERVENTION OF INDONESIAN DELEGATION
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Agenda 5: General Exchange of Views
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Mr. Chairman,
Excellencies, distinguished Delegates,

Allow me to congratulate and welcome you as the Chairman of the 67th Session of the COPUOS. Indonesia assures you of our full support and cooperation throughout the session.

The Indonesia delegation would like to welcome Ms. Aarti Holla-Maini, the Director of the UNOOSA. We would also like to thank the Secretariat for the excellent preparation of this session.

The Indonesian delegation associates itself with the statement delivered by Ambassador Laura Gil, the Permanent Representative of Colombia on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

We further would like to add the following remarks in our national capacity.

Mr. Chair,

My delegation would like to reiterate that outer space and other celestial bodies, as a province of all mankind, must be used, explored and exploited for peaceful purposes and for the benefit of all countries solely.

Mr. Chair, distinguished delegates,

We appreciate the works and progress made by the STSC Subcommittee and LSC Subcommittee. We hope that our future deliberations will generate common understanding and solutions for all pending issues that we are facing.

- Regarding long-term sustainability of space activities (LTS), Indonesia supports the Non-paper by the Chair of the Working Group on the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities. However, Indonesia also reiterated that the unresolved guidelines, especially safety issues for the long-term sustainability of outer space activities, still need to be discussed.
- Indonesia would like to emphasize the importance of the international community's efforts to clarify the boundaries between airspace and outer space.
- Furthermore, we reaffirm our position that Geostationary Orbit is a limited natural resource with special characteristics. GSO should be utilized in a rational, balanced, efficient, and equitable manner. Therefore, GSO needs to be regulated by a sui generis regime.

Regarding the "Space2030" Agenda, we urge to strengthen the implementation by the entire international space community to demonstrate the contribution of space technology and its applications.

Mr. Chair, distinguished delegates,

Allow me to share some Indonesian outer space activities:

- ❖ Indonesia has launched 2 communication satellites, namely Nusantara-3 (Satria-1) and TelkomSat (Merah Putih 2) to fulfil the national and regional communication system services and connect huge remote site areas such as underdeveloped, frontier and outermost areas (3T) using satellite-based high speed internet (High Throughput Satellite System).
- ❖ Indonesia will launch Nusantara-5 satellite (SATRIA-2) and NEO-1 satellite to enhance digital transformation, and conduct earth observation, maritime surveillance and measuring the earth's magnetic field.
- ❖ In the first half of 2024, the Timau National Observatory will operate to support space research and technology development. We welcome global space science cooperation to utilize this new National Observatory.

To strengthen partnerships for space exploration and technology, the Indonesian National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN) has signed several international cooperation agreements, including with UAE, Japan and India.

In 2023 and 2024, Indonesia proudly hosted two meetings, namely:

- The 29th session of the Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum (APRSAF-29) in September 19-22 2023. It was jointly organized by BRIN, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) of Japan, and JAXA.
- The 10th World Water Forum with the theme of "Water for Shared Prosperity" and was held in Bali in 18-25 May 2024.

Indonesia also has actively participated and contributed in several meetings, among others, the 28th meeting of the Governing held in Bengaluru, India, on 12 December 2023, and the UN/Portugal Conference: "Management and Sustainability of Outer Space Activities," in Lisbon, Portugal, on 14-15 May 2024.

On 17-18 July 2024, Indonesia will participate and contribute in the United Nations/Austria Symposium on Climate Action, to be held in Graz, Austria. Indonesia will share our experiences in promoting the use of space technology from innovation to policy and operation of climate-related action, including the role of private entities.

Indonesia expresses its appreciation to UNOOSA for holding various meetings/conferences and we hope that more joint cooperation and capacity building programmes will be continued and strengthened.

Mr. Chair,

Before concluding my statement, Indonesia hopes that space cooperation between countries will continue to increase in the forthcoming years, particularly international cooperation to support global sustainable development.

I thank you.