

**Statement by Thailand**  
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**Mr. Chair, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,**

I wish to express my sincere congratulations to you on your election as the Chair of the 67<sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. You can rest assured of the Thai delegation's full support and cooperation. I also wish to thank the Secretariat for their tireless efforts.

My delegation associates itself with the statement delivered by the Ambassador of Colombia on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and wishes to add the following remarks in our national capacity.

2023 marked a significant year for Thailand in international space affairs. Thailand played leading roles as the chair of ASEAN's Sub-Committee on Space Technology and Applications (SCOSA) and the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS), fostering regional cooperation in space technology and application, as well as leveraging Earth Observation program.

Thailand's Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency or GISTDA, is honored to partner with UNESCAP on 'the Asia-Pacific Plan of Action on Space Applications for Sustainable Development'. Our projects on Geospatial Information Applications for Agricultural Monitoring and the Pan-Asia Partnership for Geospatial Air Pollution information, or PAPGAPi, successfully align with Disaster Risk Reduction and Social Development Goals. We plan to further integrate these efforts with UNESCAP's 'Space+ For Our Earth and Future', the framework on harnessing geospatial power in Asia-Pacific region by using innovative digital applications.

In terms of capacity building, Thailand remains a steadfast supporter of COPUOS and UNOOSA's initiatives. We joined the panel at the UNOOSA event series on Awareness-raising and capacity-building related to the implementation of the Guidelines for LTS Event 2 on safety of space operations, in addition to the LTS workshop during the past STSC. We are glad to reflect the perspectives from an emerging space country on applying the Guidelines to space activities in the country.

In April 2024, Thai researchers from various agencies and institutes participated in the United Nations/Philippines Workshop on the Applications of Global Navigation Satellite Systems in Manila. We appreciate the support of PhilSA to foster the capacity building on

GNSS technology which enables many useful applications for disaster emergency response including effective searching and rescue.

Furthermore, Thailand is planning to arrange Space Law Technical Advisory Mission in the beginning of 2025 with the support of the Government of Japan and UNOOSA. We look forward to contributing more to UNOOSA's activities and initiatives.

Bilateral cooperation in space affairs is also our priority. Thailand has continuously collaborated with Centre for Remote Imaging Sensing and Processing of Singapore on ground station operation and Earth Observation data center. Thailand's GISTDA and the Office for Space Technology & Industry of Singapore also launched promotion of facilities for satellite Assembly Integration and Testing operated by ASEAN member states, and joins hands on bridging space ecosystems between two countries. We believe that strong infrastructure and skilled personnel could empower and accelerate space advancement in the region.

This November, Thailand will become a beacon of space activity. We invite you to join the two major space events in Thailand, including:

- Asia-Pacific satellite and space or APSCC 2024, the conference & exhibition on satellite and space industry to be held on 5-7 November 2024, targets professionals and commercial sector to explore and create partnerships, and
- Thailand Space Week 2024, the annual space event highlighting advancement in space technology and application, during 7-9 Novembers 2024, where stakeholders from the global space community can convene and forge new partnerships. Additionally, the annual meeting of Pandora-Asia Network and the 7<sup>th</sup> Asia-Oceania Space Weather Alliance Workshop are scheduled to be held side-by-side with the Thailand Space Week.

Last but not least, Thailand's THEOS-2 Earth Observation satellite, launched last year, is now operational, and we are committed to sharing its data for the benefit of all. We are unwavering in our commitment to continuously investing in space capabilities and cultivating a thriving space economy.

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Collaboration is the important key that should be embedded in all space activities. We own, we utilize, we share space and orbits together. Thailand has placed important on strengthening and create cooperation with other member states, agencies, and international organizations.

**Thank you**

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