

Thank you, Chair,
Distinguished delegates,

The Republic of Korea would like to first express its sincere appreciation to the Chair of the Subcommittee and the Secretariat for the successful organization of the sixty-first session of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee.

We also wish to take this opportunity to highlight our efforts in advancing the implementation of sustainable space activities, as deliberated at the 61st session of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee.

First, the Republic of Korea will continue to share its experience of responsible, peaceful, and sustainable space activities, both from the government and the private sector, with the international community.

Notably, we participated as a panelist and shared our perspectives on the guidelines during the "LTS Workshop" of the previous session. Furthermore, we engaged in the "Space Traffic Management and Sustainability Conference" hosted by the UN and Portugal in May and discussed various challenges and potential solutions.

In particular, we acknowledge the significance of the safe and sustainable utilization of space, as emphasized in the "Lisbon Declaration," and would like to express our deep appreciation for Portugal's leadership in these endeavors.

Next, Korea will support the development and implementation of open, transparent, and reliable international standards, policies, and best practices to establish a robust foundation for global space traffic management.

In this regard, we welcome the new LTS 2.0 working group discussions under the leadership of the Chair, Mr. Uma Maheswaran R.

In Particular, Korea believes that Chair's approaches to categorizing challenges to the long-term sustainability of outer space activities, proposed in the 'non-paper', can be an effective tool for addressing potential challenges to safe space activities. We hope to reach consensus on the categorization regarding challenges during this session.

Last, Korea will continue comprehensive efforts to implement the LTS guidelines. The KASA will gather information on practices and procedures regarding the LTS guidelines from public space actors related to launch, licensing, procurement, regulation, and operation of space objects. Additionally, we will strive to promote voluntary compliance with the LTS guidelines among private space actors.

We believe that our efforts will contribute to sustainable space activities.

Thank you, Chair.