Mr. Chair,

While we were relieved with the adoption of document A/AC.105/1311, we cannot but regret that it was not possible to adopt a full substantive report on the 63rd Session of the Legal Subcommittee. We consider it a collective failure on which we should meditate and seek to prevent from happening again in the future.

This notwithstanding, Brazil would like to note the relevance of the substantive discussions held during the 63rd session. We would like to highlight, in this sense, the successful work of the two working groups on Status and Application of the Five United Nation Treaties on Outer Spaces and on Legal Aspects of Space Resource Activities.

Particularly, we stress the importance on following up on the schedule of activities adopted by the Working Group on Legal Resources. It is essential to move forward on this issue, if the Group is to fulfil its mandate.

We stress that such work should be carried out under the aegis of the principle of outer space as common province of humankind and for the benefit and in interests of all countries.

I thank you,