

## Statement of the G-77 and China during the sixty-eighth session of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, 25 June - 2 July 2025 delivered by H.E. Maurice Makoloo, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Kenya

## AGENDA ITEM 15: "SPACE2030" AGENDA.

- 1. The Group of 77 and China underscores the continued relevance of the SDGs, the "Space2030" Agenda and its Implementation Plan.
- 2. It is important to highlight that international cooperation in the development of space activities is a paramount principle, especially for those referred to in the Declaration on International Cooperation in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space for the benefit and in the interest of all Member States taking in particular account the needs of developing countries.
- 3. The sustainable use of outer space should place a special emphasis on capacity-building activities and technical assistance programmes to bridge the huge divide between developed and developing countries in this domain and address the growing need to secure sufficient resources to this end.
- 4. The Group recalls the mid-term review of "Space2030" Agenda and takes note that the Review so far was not conclusive and requests that the Review be extended with the view to ensure collection of comprehensive and conclusive views on the Review of Agenda 2030.
- 5. The Group further reiterates the need to use this opportunity to address current challenges and fully consolidate aspirations of developing countries on peaceful uses of outer space including strengthening international cooperation, availing equal access and benefit sharing, providing additional support for space sciences and applications for developing countries.
- 6. The Group recognizes the central role of UNOOSA in advocating the benefits of space science and technology for sustainable development and in promoting international cooperation in the pursuance of the "Space 2030 Agenda". We look forward to working closely with UNOOSA in promoting the peaceful uses of outer space for sustainable development, including in meeting the "Space 2030 Agenda" advancing international cooperation, strengthening the capacity of developing countries in utilizing space applications, and promote

inclusivity and gender equality, gender balance and empowerment of women, as applicable, in the space sector.

## Mr. Chair,

7. It is imperative to intensify the efforts to extend to all Member States the benefits derived from outer space activities with a view to promoting the contribution of peaceful uses of outer space to socio-economic development, including the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals bearing in mind the outcome of the UNISPACE +50 process such as the UNGA resolution 73/6 and the "Space2030" Agenda.