

**STATEMENT ON AGENDA ITEM: 4 GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT THE
68TH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER
SPACE VIENNA, AUSTRIA, 25 JUNE – 2 JULY 2025**

Chair,

1. Singapore congratulates you on your appointment and thanks the Secretariat for organising this session despite the challenging circumstances.
2. COPUOS' role in promoting international cooperation to advance the peaceful, responsible, and inclusive use of outer space is vital and must be preserved. Singapore is closely following discussions here on issues including space traffic, the sustainable utilisation of space resources, space debris, and the voluntary implementation of the LTS Guidelines. We underscore that special attention must be paid to the needs of developing countries and emerging space actors, many of whom are only just beginning their journey in space.
3. Singapore commends the robust capacity-building programmes provided by UNOOSA and is pleased to share that the Office for Space Technology & Industry (OSTIn), Singapore's national space office, is working with UNOOSA under the Space Law for New Space Actors programme.

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4. Singapore's domestic space ecosystem continued to flourish over the past year. In February, we published a strategy document which charts how Singapore will continue to develop our space sector to promote economic growth, advance scientific discovery, and inspire a new generation of innovators. We also announced a S\$60 million top-up to the Space Technology Development Programme (STDP),

reinforcing our commitment to investing in space-based solutions that serve real-world needs.

5. We have also launched the Earth Observation Initiative (EOI) with the support of partners such as UNOOSA, the World Bank, and the Mekong River Commission. The EOI is a platform that catalyses the use of earth observation technology by linking users and solution providers to scale regional EO use cases to address sustainability and humanitarian challenges in the Asia-Pacific. We are pleased to invite all of you to join us at our side-event on the EOI at the Press Room tomorrow morning at 9am.

6. International and regional partnerships are a cornerstone of Singapore's space strategy. Over the past year, we signed new agreements with the UAE Space Agency and the European Space Agency. Singapore also hosted the 33rd ASEAN Sub-Committee on Space Technology and Applications in October 2024, and convened two regional workshops on LTS and space traffic coordination issues. We will continue to work with ASEAN and our international partners to ensure the safe and sustainable use of space for all.

Thank you, Chair.

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