



**PERMANENT MISSION OF PAKISTAN
TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Hofzeile 13, A-1190, Vienna - Austria

Tel: +43-1-3687381/82, Fax: 3671831 & 3687376

Email: parepvienna@mofa.gov.pk

No. 8-1/2023

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations and International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and, in reference to its Note Verbale No. OOSA/2024/48 dated 02 September 2024 on the Action Team on Lunar Activities Consultation (ATLAC), has the honour to submit an expression of interest for the following official as Chair of the Action Team on Lunar Activities Consultation (ATLAC):

Mr. Hasan Abbas

Second Secretary,

Permanent Mission of Pakistan

to the United Nations and International Organizations

In this regard, this Mission also has the honour to submit the following:

i) As per existing practice, Action Teams, being the first rung of discussions, lead towards future recommendations that include the formation of Working Groups and International Mechanisms. In this regard, engagement within the Action Team should remain focused on providing a constructive environment for substantive discussions and delivering as per their mandate. Therefore, ATLAC's work stands to benefit at the working level.

ii) Pakistan's nomination is currently serving as the Task Force Coordinator for the Group of 77 & China, Vienna Chapter, since January 2023, as well as the Second Vice Chair and Rapporteur of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) since June 2024, possessing the relevant professional and technical experience to undertake the task to facilitate the Action Team in achieving its mandate.

iii) By swiftly resolving the question of the ATLAC's bureau, focus can correctly return to its substantive mandate with discussions in line with the agreed mandate, driving all delegations to engage constructively and

focused on collecting substantive views in order to achieve the ATLAC's outcome.

In light of the above, UNOOSA is kindly requested to share this expression of interest with all Member States of COPUOS at the earliest with a view to formal discussions in the upcoming ATLAC Intersessional Meeting scheduled for 18 November 2024.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations and International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) the assurances of its highest consideration.



Vienna, 25 October 2024

United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
Vienna