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### **Statement**

by

## The Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran

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#### Madam Chair, Distinguished delegates, ladies and gentleman

Recalling resolution 68/74 dated 11 December 2013 the Recommendations on national legislation relevant to the peaceful exploration, and use of outer space and Declaration of legal principles governing the activities of states in the exploration and uses of outer space (General Assembly resolution 1962 (XVIII)), and recognizing the need for a practical regulatory system for the involvement of non-governmental entities to provide further incentives for enacting regulatory frameworks at the national level, the Islamic Republic of Iran has established a "national registry of objects launched into outer space". The "national registry of objects" is maintained by the Iranian Space Agency, the responsible institution for space affairs.

#### Madam Chair

The Growth of space communications technologies has given rise to the potential for the provision of a wide range of ICT services by satellite networks. Since the continuation and development of enormous information and communication technology services which are apt to be provided through space communications within the country entail compliance with certain regulatory requirements by satellite network companies, the Communications Regulatory Commission, in accordance with paragraph "D" of Article 5 of Duties and Liabilities Act of the Ministry of Information and Communications Technology(ICT), has approved the "Regulations Governing Landing Rights regarding Provision of Satellite Services in the Islamic Republic of Iran".

#### Madam Chair, Distinguished delegates,

In order to coordinate national capacities and regulate the country's space activities, the I.R of Iran has drafted a national space law, which its completion process is currently underway. In compiling the content of this document, efforts have been made to support activities of the private sectors while integrating national measures and coordinating the activities of the country's space actors. Commitment to the accepted international law and compliance with environmental conditions are among the issues, addressed in this law.