



**G-77 AND CHINA STATEMENT DURING THE SIXTY-SECOND (62<sup>nd</sup>) SESSION  
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**AGENDA ITEM 6A: THE DEFINITION AND DELIMITATION OF OUTER SPACE**

Madam Chairperson,

1. The Group of 77 and China would like to thank the Secretariat for preparing the documentation on this agenda item, particularly the contributions from Member States on their legal approaches to the definition and delimitation of outer space and suborbital flights, as well as the historical summary on the consideration of the question on the definition and delimitation of outer space.
2. The Group believes that the definition and delimitation of outer space is an important topic that should be kept on the agenda of this Subcommittee and that more work should be done in this direction because the legal regimes governing airspace and outer space are different.
3. The Group reiterates its commitment to continue the discussion on issues related to definition and delimitation of outer space and invites other countries to do as such in order to reach a consensus and in this regard we feel that the working group on Definition and Delimitation of Outer Space should continue its activities.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.