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Item 6: Status and application of the five United Nations treaties on outer space, and ways and means, including capacity-building, to promote their implementation.

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Mister Chair, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,

Italy wishes to reiterate the importance of the existing United Nations treaties on outer space, as the pillars in the architecture of the international space legal regime.

Nevertheless, as space technologies advance at an unprecedented pace, new legal and policy challenges emerge. One important response to these emerging challenges could be the identification of potential practical tools for sharing information. Broad dissemination of information regarding national space policies and space exploration plans is, in fact, one of the principles set out in the Artemis Accords.

In this respect, we commend the decision of the Working Group under this agenda item to commence an exchange of views on the implementation of article XI of the Outer Space Treaty.

We also look favourably on the initiative from the distinguished delegation of Romania to submit a proposal to establish an Action Team on Lunar Activities Consultation (ATLAC) within the framework of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

We look forward to constructive discussions in both these endeavours.

Thank you.