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Statement of the Lunar Policy Platform Foundation

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Item 3. General Exchange of Views

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Muchas gracias Señor Presidente.

On behalf of **Stichting Lunar Policy Platform**, a non-profit, non-governmental entity registered in The Netherlands, **globally known as Lunar Policy Platform Foundation (LPP)**, we are **grateful for the honor and opportunity to attend** the 64th session of the Legal Subcommittee as ad hoc observer, **and address** the distinguished Member States and Permanent Observers through this statement.

The Lunar Policy Platform is an **expert, global, neutral, multi-layer platform** dedicated to enabling a **peaceful, prosperous, and cooperative lunar future through policy**.

In this statement, we wish to **share with you some key information** on our work, and **invite your views on how we can best support the crucial work of COPUOS**, which we recognise as the **leading multilateral body** in charge of space governance.

Distinguished Delegates, **our distinctive feature** is the creation of **focused** collaborative **documents** identifying **common ground** between all actors on **priorities, policies, and standards** for **peaceful, safe and sustainable lunar activities**.

All our documents are developed through a **rigorous consultative process open to the participation of all actors**, and they are published online in **perpetual open access for the use and benefit of all**.

Our activities began in late 2022 as a global initiative incubated by the **Open Lunar Foundation**, an independent non-profit entity committed to safeguarding a peaceful, cooperative, and sustainable lunar future.

Since then, we have published two widely referenced policy documents:

1) first the Lunar Policy Priorities Report, the first document to ever identify priority areas to be addressed for peaceful, safe, and sustainable lunar activities, according to the views of a diverse group of actors;

2) and then the Lunar Policy Snapshot, the first document to ever capture lunar related developments, present the views of different actors, and provide an expert assessment of policy implications.

We also support capacity building in lunar policy through events and commentaries. For example, at the 67th Session of COPUOS in 2024, we co-organised a side event to promote reflections on the UN Conference on Sustainable Lunar Activities; at the 2024 World Space Forum, we hosted an event to educate on lunar policy trends and futures.

After these years of groundbreaking work, I am pleased to inform you that as of 2025, LPP is established as a global, non-profit, neutral Foundation in the Netherlands.

Building upon our Priorities Report and Policy Snapshot, and thanks to the continuing support of Open Lunar, **this year we are advancing critical policy work on lunar information sharing and lunar science and ethics.**

On lunar information sharing, for the past three months, we have interviewed over 70 representatives from 35 organisations to gather **global views on what to share, why, when, where, and how**. The result of these consultations has been transposed into a draft **Lunar Information Sharing 101**, to provide a **useful guide** to all interested actors.

The **first draft** of the LIS 101 is **open for comments until the end of this month**. On May 4th the document has been shared with all participants to the consultations, and we would be delighted to **share it with all Member States that may be interested** in the topic. **A revised draft** will then be shared in mid-June for a second round of feedback.

On lunar science and ethics, we are also conducting **global consultations** to identify scientific, cultural, and ethical **interests** in lunar exploration, clarify their **implications** on the conduct of other lunar activities, and help evaluate **principles and practices** for a **balanced approach**. A **preliminary overview** of the consultations is being outlined in a document that will be circulated with all interested actors in mid-May.

All our activities are designed to complement and support the work of COPUOS, particularly the Working Group on the Status and Application of the Five UN Treaties, the Working Group on the Legal Aspects of Space Resources, and the Action Team on Lunar Activities Consultations.

Detailed information on LPP Foundation and our work can be found in CRP nr. 13.

If of interest to the Committee, we would be pleased to present a further update at the 68th Session of COPUOS in June, to help build capacity in lunar policy.

During this session, we would be delighted to meet with all interested Member States and Permanent Observers to **share our expertise, explore ways** in which we may be of help, **and receive feedback** on our intent to **apply as a permanent observer** at the 68th Session of the Committee **in June**.

To conclude, we are **deeply grateful** for the opportunity to attend this session of the Legal Subcommittee as an ad hoc observer, and **look forward to working together** for a peaceful, safe and sustainable future on the Moon **for the benefit of all humanity**.

Thank you for your kind attention.