

Agenda Item 11: General exchange of views on the legal aspects of space traffic management

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Thank you, Mr. Chair and distinguished delegates,

Recently, the rise in satellite launches and re-entries has contributed to increased congestion in outer space, prompting growing interest in Space Traffic Management (STM). This approach leverages satellite data to address space debris and ensure the safe and sustainable use of space.

A critical issue for the sustainable development of space activities is closely linked to the topics of STM. As such, it is essential that we adopt a comprehensive approach to R&D as well as to the institutions involved in these areas.

The Republic of Korea is consistently maintaining the

momentum to advance policies aimed at establishing an inter-ministerial response system and enhancing legal and institutional frameworks to build a robust national space hazard management system. We are also actively involved in international discussions on STM to ensure the safe use of outer space, and to proactively address the growing risk of collisions.

The Republic of Korea remains committed to international efforts to set standards, including technical guidelines, safety protocols, codes of conduct, risk assessments, and best practices related to space traffic management. Thank you. //END