

UK Statement under Item 13 Proposals to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space for new items to be considered by the Legal Subcommittee at its sixty-fifth session

Chair, distinguished colleagues,

The United Kingdom wishes to thank the representative of Nigeria for their statement. We are grateful for the spirit of cooperation that characterises our work here at COPUOS.

In particular, we would like to address the proposal on a new agenda item on benefit-sharing.

The UK approaches this Committee with a clear purpose: to share the benefits of our space knowledge and expertise, and to learn from others. We do so openly, in good faith and voluntarily.

Given this, we are not in the position to agree to a new agenda item.

We want to share our knowledge, our experience and our expertise; so that all Member States may participate in our collective efforts to reach for the stars, and I believe that is what we are doing.

Thank you, Chair