

Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine
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**Agenda Item 4: Information on the activities of international
intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations relating to space law**

Dear Mr. Chair,

Since the delegation of Ukraine takes the floor for the first time, I would like to express our gratitude to You and the Secretariat for the effective leadership of this meeting.

**Distinguished Chair,
Distinguished Delegates,**

Ukraine welcomes the opportunity to contribute to this important discussion and reaffirms its unwavering commitment to the principles of transparency, cooperation, and capacity building in the peaceful exploration and use of outer space.

We believe these principles are best advanced through sustained multilateral dialogue at both intergovernmental and non-governmental levels. In this spirit, Ukraine is actively exploring avenues for deeper international engagement—particularly in the development of legal frameworks governing emerging areas of space activity.

For example, Ukraine has endorsed the Artemis Accords, reflecting our support for cooperative, responsible behaviour in outer space. In parallel, we are aligning our national space legislation with the evolving legal and policy framework of the European Union, including in the area of space resource utilization.

At the same time, we are mindful of the risks posed by regional fragmentation in space governance. Divergent legal frameworks may hinder the ability to ensure universal and non-discriminatory access to space and to maintain coherence in the application of international law. This highlights the need for robust multilateral mechanisms capable of accommodating new realities without compromising foundational principles.

Ukraine also strongly supports the inclusion of non-state actors—particularly the private sector, civil society, and other stakeholders—in intergovernmental processes related to space sustainability and legal norm development.

In this context, allow me to briefly highlight the activities of the Ukrainian Association of High-Tech Enterprises and Organizations “Cosmos.” The Association was established to pursue these objectives by:

- cooperating with state and local authorities on the regulatory and legal framework governing the market of space-related goods and services;
- providing monitoring and expert evaluation of draft legal and regulatory acts;
- participating in the development of state programmes, national legal and regulatory frameworks for space activities;
- fostering cooperation with international space organizations, related associations, alliances, and unions in the space domain.

The “Cosmos” Association is open to partnerships with all public and private actors committed to the peaceful use of space technologies, particularly in support of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Distinguished Delegates,

As we collectively navigate an era of expanding space activity and increasingly diverse stakeholders, the development of space law must remain inclusive, adaptive, and grounded in international cooperation. Intergovernmental and non-governmental institutions alike have an essential role in applying, interpreting, and updating the principles of existing space treaties to address emerging challenges and seize new opportunities.

Ukraine remains committed to contributing actively to this dialogue and to strengthening international legal frameworks that ensure outer space remains peaceful, sustainable, and accessible for all. Thank you for your attention!

Thank you, Mr Chair!