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First Ideas for a Template on Article XI Outer Space Treaty

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First ideas for a template on art. XI OST

Introductory note:

- voluntary use without prejudice to other means of implementing art. XI OST;
- use of drop down menu / suggested categories is encouraged to facilitate display and retrieval of information;
- full discretion on which sections are to be filled;
- changes, updates and supplements possible and encouraged;
- ...

A. General information / context / landing page

1. Submitting State / International Intergovernmental Organization

Drop down list of all UN member states / International Intergovernmental Organizations

2. Additional States/ International Intergovernmental Organization

Drop down list of all UN member states / International Intergovernmental Organizations

3. Name of the space activity (e.g. mission title)

Free text

4. Status of the space activity

- planning phase / pre-launch
- ongoing / launched
- concluded

5. Where does the space activity mainly take place? (see also section below on locations)

- in Earth orbit (*possibility to specify LEO / MEO / GEO*)
- orbit/surface of a celestial body
(if ticked, possibility to specify through drop down list and free text)
- deep space
- other (*if ticked, possibility to specify with free text*)

6. International Cooperation: Are you looking for international partners?

- Yes No No answer
- If yes, possibility to specify: Free text*

7. Does the space activity involve space objects that have been registered in accordance with the Registration Convention or UNGA Res. 1721?

Yes No No answer

If yes, possibility to specify/link to registration submissions

8. Did the space activity obtain a license under a national space law?

Yes No No answer

If yes, possibility to specify: Free text

9. Does this submission relate to any provision in the UN Space Law instruments that specifically encourage the sharing of information on space activities?

NPS Principle 4: Nuclear Power Sources Safety Assessments

RS Principles

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other (if ticked, possibility to specify with free text)

10. Reference to any other international information sharing mechanism under which information on this space activity has already been shared

Contact details as recommended by LTS Guideline B.1

ITU frequency allocation

Pre-launch notification under HcoC

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other (if ticked, possibility to specify with free text)

11. Any other general information or links (e.g. technical presentations at COPUOS)

Free text

B. On which of the following elements of article XI do you wish to share additional information?

Nature of the space activity

Conduct of the space activity

Location of the space activity

Result of the space activity

If a section is ticked, the below fields would be offered:

C. Nature of the space activity

1. Primary objective

scientific research

communications

- observation/remote sensing
- servicing
- infrastructure
- other *if ticked, possibility to specify with free text*

2. Additional objectives

- scientific research
- communications
- observation/remote sensing
- servicing
- infrastructure
- other *if ticked, possibility to specify with free text*

3. Space objects involved

- Satellite/space station orbiting Earth / a celestial body
- Space probe
- Launch vehicle
- Return vehicle
- mobile equipment / rover on a celestial body
- immobile equipment / infrastructure / station on a celestial body
- payload / scientific instrument
- other *(if ticked, possibility to specify with free text)*

4. Does the space activity involve human spaceflight?

- Yes No No answer
If yes, possibility to specify: Free text

5. Brief description of the space activity

Free text

D. Conduct of the space activity

1. Operator information

a. Name:

Free text

b. Type of organisation / entity / institution:

- governmental / space agency
- academia / civil society
- commercial sector
- other

(if ticked, possibility to specify with free text)

c. Contact details:

Free text

d. Do you wish to enter information on additional operators?

Yes No

If yes, possibility to enter additional operator information a) – c)

2. Information on mission timeline / lifecycle

a. (expected) launch

(date selection & space for additional free text)

b. Landing date (on a celestial body, if applicable)

(date selection & space for additional free text)

c. Start of operative phase(s)

*(date selection & space for additional free text;
possibly differentiate between different operative phases)*

d. (expected) termination

(date selection & space for additional free text)

3. Information on international cooperation

a. (planned) form of international cooperation

joint mission

exchange of scientific data

provision of payloads

ground station support

other *(if ticked, possibility to specify with free text)*

b. Is the activity open to further international cooperation?

Yes No No answer

If yes, possibility to specify: Free text

4. Information on mission management, safety and sustainability

a. Mission planning and risk management

Free text and possibility to upload documents?

b. Spacecraft mass at landing, items deployed on a celestial body

Free text and possibility to upload documents?

c. Propulsion / use of nuclear power sources

Free text and possibility to upload documents?

d. Space debris mitigation & collision avoidance

Free text and possibility to upload documents?

e. Mission disposal plans

Free text and possibility to upload documents?

f. Other

text and possibility to upload documents?

E. Location(s) of the space activity

1. Launch site / return site / space port

drop down menu of known launch sites, if other possibility to specify with free text

2. Orbital parameters (if applicable)

Useful parameters / drop down lists?

3. Landing location (if applicable)

Useful parameters / drop down lists? / anticipated landing accuracy

4. Other places / locations of operations or activities (if applicable)

Useful parameters / drop down lists?

5. Other involved facilities / locations etc.

Free text

F. Results of the space activity

1. (Expected) Main results or outcomes

scientific or other data

provision of services

demonstration of technology

discoveries

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other *if ticked possibility to specify with free text*

2. Other (expected) scientific, technological, economic or societal benefits

Contribution to the development of new technologies or innovations that have applications outside of space exploration

Education / capacity building

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Other *if ticked possibility to specify with free text*

3. Access to results

Insertion of weblinks or instructions with free text

4. Possible long-term effects

free text

G. Other relevant information / links to related websites / upload of documents

free text

document upload