Possible Areas for Member State Input/Contributions

Circulated to States Members of the Committee by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the

Working Group on Legal Aspects of Space Resource Activities

As agreed by States Members of the Committee at the 61st Session of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Working Group on Legal Aspects of Space Resource Activities offer for the consideration of States Members the following ‘Possible Areas for Member State Input/Contributions’.

The Chair and Vice-Chair seek the views of all States Members with reference to the areas raised below on an inclusive, open and transparent basis. The views of developing and emerging spacefaring countries are encouraged.

As indicated in the Workplan and Methods of Work of the Working Group, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Working Group will collate and disseminate all submissions received with reference to this request, and will prepare a summary of these submissions, supported by the Secretariat, for the further consideration of the Working Group.

Member States are encouraged to present their views in any format and encompassing any relevant issue that they consider appropriate.

It would be appreciated if submissions could be sent to [insert details] by 31 January 2023, so as to enable the Chair and Vice-Chair to arrange for collation, dissemination and for the preparation of a summary prior to the 62nd Session of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee.

Accordingly, States Members are invited and encouraged to provide their views on the following:

- The type of space resources that fall within the mandate and scope of the Working Group.
- The type of activities that fall within the mandate and scope of the Working Group.
- The type of information to be collected by the Working Group in accordance with its mandate.
- The existing legal framework for space resource activities.
- The current practices and challenges in the implementation of the existing legal framework for such activities.
- The benefits and challenges of development of a framework for such activities.
- The relevant factors for the development of a set of initial recommended principles for such activities.
- The format, agenda, topics and other details of the dedicated conference (currently) scheduled for 2024.
- Any other background or information paper, or any other views, that Member States may wish to share.