

**Statement for the Fifty-Ninth Session of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space**

**Delivered by**

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**Under Item 4.**

Dear Chair Ambassador **Juan Francisco Facetti**,

Dear Director **Ms. Simonetta Di Pippo**,

Dear Excellencies, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

The Republic of Angola aligns itself with the Statement delivered by Ambassador **Mohammed EL-MOLLA** on behalf of the African Group.

I thank the Secretariat for their reliable support respecting my country's recent adherence to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

As an ambassador who has dedicated her career to multilateralism it pleases me to see my country in another international body.

The importance of space for the peaceful uses is growing as are the variety of technological applications for increasing socio-economic growth.

Soon my country will put a telecommunications satellite into orbit, as part of the Angolan National Space Strategy. Angola has gone from a non-space faring country to an emerging space country in a period of 11 years, and this is just the beginning. Through our development of space infrastructure, capacity-building programmes and space policy we intend to contribute to the Committees' engagement and to the international community, and we hope that through cooperation the world will become a safer and more prosperous place.

Dear Chair, I thank you.