

Agenda 13 : Future Role and method of work the Committee

Thank You Mr. Chair

Indonesia appreciates the Secretariat for holding this session in this difficult pandemic and new era condition. Indonesia hopes that this session would prompt further constructive discussions regarding space issues particularly space sustainability, safety, and stability. Indonesia supports specifically on ensuring that this Committee is beneficial, favourable, and inclusive, with the aim to create international cooperation on the issues of space for peaceful uses.

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My delegation welcome to further discuss the document and we hope that any inputs from the scientific and technical subcommittee meeting will enhance the role of the committee and its subcommittee in the future. In this connection, please allow me to reiterate our position on the future role of COPUOS as contained on the document, namely:

- It was important to maintain the hybrid format at future sessions, including live webcasting of plenary meetings with interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations. In this regard the importance of the availability of a smooth webcast and comprehensive digital recordings was stressed;
- New items should be added to the agenda of the Committee and its subcommittees only when other items have been removed;
- Procedure to be followed in cases of force majeure should be established to ensure the continuity of the work of the Committee in crisis situations such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you.