Agenda 12 : Long-term sustainability of outer space activities

Thank You Mr. Chair

Indonesia welcomes the adoption of the terms of reference, methods of work and workplan for the Working Group on the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

Indonesia also would like to express its appreciation for the skilled leadership provided by Umamaheswaran R. of India as the Chair of the Working Group's on the Long-Term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities.

Indonesia views long-term sustainability of outer space activities is the priority issue in outer space and believes that implementation of the guidelines for the LTS by all actors is crucial.

In this regard, Indonesia expresses concern about challenges to the safety of the long-term sustainability of outer space activities, especially arising from mega constellations, space debris, saturation orbit, prevention of an arm race in outer space, and space mining.

Mr. Chair,

We would like to summarize the implementation of LTS that has been informed at the 58th and 59th Subcommittee sessions, among others:

- Guideline category A. Policy and regulatory framework for space activities, Indonesia implements A1-A5
- Guideline category B. Safety of space operations, Indonesia implements B1-B3, B6, B9
- Guideline category C. International cooperation, capacity-building and awareness, Indonesia implements C1, C4
- Guideline category D. Scientific and technical research and development, Indonesia implements D1

Indonesia continues its commitment to voluntarily implement the guidelines in accordance with its national law, Space Law Number 21 Year 2013. Indonesia encourages further implementation of the guidelines by all space actors and encourages international collaboration on it.

Indonesia also supports the discussion of the Working Group on the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities. In this regard, Indonesia has submitted nominations of the national point of contact for Working Group on the Long-term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities (WG LTS), and contact information for national focal point of the implementation guideline B1.

Indonesia appreciates and takes note the ideas for an information repository and for the agenda of the workshop to be held in 2024 by the Chair of WG LTS. Indonesia supports the specific topics for the workshop as contained in it. Regarding the LTS workshop that will be allocated in industry symposium slot, Indonesia is of the view that both are important. Therefore, Indonesia encourages they should be held both, if applicable.

Indonesia looks forward to continuing the discussion of the unresolved guidelines, in particular issue the safety of the long-term sustainability of outer space activities.

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