



## Joint statement Morocco and Italy Item 11

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## Madam Chair;

On behalf of the Permanent Missions of Morocco and Italy to the United Nations (Vienna), Morocco and Italy submitted a Conference Room Paper on "UNISPACEIV" which aims to facilitate our discussions on the organization modalities of UNISPACE IV.

Needless to recall that Space becomes an important item on the international agenda, due to a growing number of space actors and activities, as well as calls to strengthen space governance and ensure the safety and sustainability of space activities.

In this regard, UNISPACE 2027 present a timely and relevant opportunity for COPUOS to build on ongoing discussions and take concrete steps toward ensuring the sustainable and responsible use of space, particularly in areas such as space debris mitigation, space resource utilization, and the future of lunar activities.

Indeed, such conference could be an opportunity for COPUOS to take concrete actions on these emerging space challenges, inter alia, space traffic management, active debris removal, and space resource utilization, while engaging the wider space sector on enhancing space safety and sustainability.

We are convinced that this conference would be a milestone, delivering concrete results in response to calls for adapted international cooperation, and will enhance undoubtably awareness of the Committee's role in promoting the peaceful use of outer space.

In closing, Morocco and Italy as co-authors of the CRP on UNISPACEIV, which has been co-sponsors by several delegations, are looking forward to a fruitful and constructive dialogue with all participating delegations during the upcoming informal consultations on the preparations for UNISPACE IV, with the view of submitting a recommendation for adoption to COPUOS 2025, through its Scientific and technical Subcommittee.