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The Philippines does not currently have any laws, guidelines, or regulations regarding space debris mitigation.

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The Philippines has not yet adopted a national mechanism specifically on space debris mitigation standards. However, as a member State of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, the Philippines fully adheres to the Space Debris Mitigation Guidelines of the Committee.

Consistent with the Philippines' commitment to adhere to international mechanisms on space debris mitigation standards, there are notable provisions under the Philippine Space Act or Republic Act No. 11363 which can contribute substantially to the country's efforts in formally adopting space debris mitigation standards in the Philippines:

The relevant provisions are as follows:

"Section 8 (VI). International Cooperation

- a) Cooperate with space-related agencies of other countries in the peaceful use and development of space;
- b) Maintain a national registry of space objects in accordance with the United Nations Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space and other international guidelines;
- Enter into contracts, memoranda of understanding/ agreement or other arrangements in behalf of the State, in consultation with the Department of Foreign Affairs and/or other concerned agencies;
- d) Establish and maintain linkages with other national space agencies and organizations; and
- e) Represent the Philippines in the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Use of Outer Space and other similar space-related forums, assemblies and organizations.

Section 23. National Registry of Space Objects

In accordance with the United Nations Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space, the PhilSA shall maintain a National Registry of Space Objects which lists all space objects launched under the responsibility of the Philippines as the Launching State. The PhilSA shall furnish the United Nation Office for Outer Space Affairs with information contained in the National Registry of Space Objects as required under the Registration Convention.

Section 24. Liability of the Philippines for National Space Objects

In accordance with the United Nations Convention on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects and other similar international laws, the Philippine Government shall take responsibility for damages caused by space objects registered in the Philippines' National Registry-of Space Objects. This shall take into effect upon ratification of the Liability Convention and Registration Convention by the Philippine Government."

In addition, the Philippine Space Council adopted Resolution No. 005, Series of 2021 directing the Philippine Space Agency to "create a Technical Working Group (TWG) on Orbital Debris Protocols, which shall be an advisory body for the coordination, discussion, formulation, and integration of strategies, protocols, guidelines and similar mechanisms to promote and ensure appropriate responses to rocket launches and other outer space activities that can pose risks to the Philippines."