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**(Fourth Committee)**  
Agenda item 51  
**International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space**

**Romania:\* draft resolution**

## **Continuity of the work of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its subsidiary bodies**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution [74/82](#) of 13 December 2019,

*Expressing concern* that the global coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic presents a grave threat to human health and well-being and that it has had unprecedented and multifaceted effects,

*Recalling* that the regular annual cycle of sessions of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its subcommittees was disrupted in 2020 owing to the pandemic,

*Having considered* the decisions and actions by the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its Legal Subcommittee taken by written procedure,<sup>1</sup>

1. *Endorses* the decisions and actions by the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its Legal Subcommittee taken by written procedure;

2. *Agrees* that the Committee, at its sixty-fourth session, in 2021, should consider the substantive items and convene the working group recommended by the Committee,<sup>2</sup> including holding intersessional consultations as necessary, taking into account the concerns of all countries, in particular those of developing countries;

3. *Also agrees* that the Legal Subcommittee, at its sixtieth session, in 2021, should consider the substantive items and reconvene the working groups recommended by the Committee,<sup>3</sup> including holding intersessional consultations as necessary, taking into account the concerns of all countries, in particular those of developing countries;

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\* In its capacity as Chair of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

<sup>1</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/75/20).*

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 32 and 37.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 28–29; see also para. 11.



4. *Notes* that, at its fifty-seventh session, in 2020, the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee continued its work,<sup>4</sup> as mandated by the General Assembly in its resolution 74/82;

5. *Agrees* that the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee, at its fifty-eighth session, in 2021, should consider the substantive items and reconvene the working groups recommended by the Committee,<sup>5</sup> including holding intersessional consultations as necessary, taking into account the concerns of all countries, in particular those of developing countries;

6. *Notes* that, in accordance with the agreement reached by the Committee at its forty-sixth session on the measures relating to the future composition of the bureaux of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies,<sup>6</sup> on the basis of the measures relating to the working methods of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies,<sup>7</sup> the Eastern European States have nominated their candidate for the office of Second Vice-Chair/Rapporteur of the Committee for the period 2022–2023;<sup>8</sup>

7. *Urges* the African States, the Asia-Pacific States, the Latin American and Caribbean States and the Western European and other States to nominate their candidates for the offices of Chair of the Legal Subcommittee, Chair of the Committee, Chair of the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee and First Vice-Chair of the Committee, respectively, for the period 2022–2023, before the next session of the Committee, to be held in 2021.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/75/20)*, para. 18, see also [A/AC.105/1224](#).

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 22–23; see also [A/AC.105/1224](#).

<sup>6</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/58/20)*, annex II, paras. 5–9.

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, *Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/52/20)*, annex I; and *ibid.*, *Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/58/20)*, annex II, appendix III.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, *Seventy-fifth Session, Supplement No. 20 (A/75/20)*, para. 35.

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 36.