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Open-ended working group on reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours First session Geneva, 9-13 May 2022

Indicative timetable

Date/time	Agenda item/programme
Monday, 9 May	
10:00 – 10:30	Agenda item 1. Opening of the session
	• Statement by the Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, Izumi Nakamitsu
	• Statement by the Chair of the group of governmental experts on transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities
	• Statement by the Chair of the group of governmental experts on further practical measures for the prevention of arms race in outer space
10:30 - 12:00	Agenda item $6(a)$. Reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours: Taking stock of the existing international legal and other normative frameworks concerning threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space
	Topic 1: Existing international law concerning threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space
	Panel; Questions and answers; Discussion among all participants
	 Mr. Ram Jakhu, McGill University Institute of Air and Space Law
	– Mr. David A. Koplow, Georgetown University
	– Ms. Setsuko Aoki, Keio University Law School
12:00 - 13:00	Agenda item 5. General exchange of views on all matters
15:00 - 18:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	General exchange among Member States on topic 1



Tuesday, 10 May

10:00 - 12:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	Topic 2: International law relating to the use of force in international affairs in the context of threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space
	Panel; Questions and answers; Discussion among all participants
	 Mr. Guoyu Wang, Beijing Institute of Technology (Second speaker to be confirmed)
12:00 - 13:00	Agenda item 5. General exchange of views on all matters (<i>continued</i>)
15:00 - 18:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	General exchange among Member States on topic 2
Wednesday, 11 May	
10:00 - 12:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	<i>Topic 3: Protection of civilians, civilian objects and the natural environment in relation to threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space</i>
	Panel; Questions and answers; Discussion among all participants
	 Ms. Cassandra Steer, Australian National University Institute for Space
	- Ms. Wen Zhou, International Committee of the Red Cross
12:00 - 13:00	Agenda item 5. General exchange of views on all matters (<i>continued</i>)
15:00 - 18:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	General exchange among Member States on topic 3
Thursday, 12 May	
10:00 - 12:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	Topic 4: Applicable elements of the legal regimes governing aviation and the sea in the context of threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space
	Panel; Questions and answers; Discussion among all participants
	 Ms. Almudena Azcarate Ortega, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research
	 Mr. Charles Stotler, Center for Air and Space Law, The University of Mississippi School of Law
12:00 - 13:00	Agenda item 5. General exchange of views on all matters (<i>continued</i>)
15:00 - 18:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	General exchange among Member States on topic 4

Friday, 13 May	
10:00 - 12:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	<i>Topic 5: Voluntary mechanisms and regimes applicable to outer space in the context of threats arising from State behaviours with respect to outer space</i>
	Panel; Questions and answers; Discussion among all participants
	 Ms. Nivedita Raju, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
	- Mr. Peter Martinez, Secure World Foundation
12:00 - 13:00	Agenda item 5. General exchange of views on all matters (<i>continued</i>)
15:00 - 18:00	Agenda item 6(a) (continued)
	General exchange among Member States on topic 5
	Agenda item 8. Any other business
	Exchange of views on the outcome of the first session and outlook towards the second session
	Closing of the session
	Concluding remarks by the Chair