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## THIRD UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE EXPLORATION AND PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

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## India (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China): amendments to the draft Vienna declaration on space and human development

1. A new preambular paragraph should be added as follows:

"Convinced also of the need for demilitarization of outer space"

2. Under section VI, entitled "Promoting international cooperation", the following new subparagraph (b) should be added (and the original subparagraph (b) should become subparagraph (c)):

"(b) To establish a United Nations special fund within the Office for Outer Space Affairs of the Secretariat to be utilized for the implementation of the recommendations of UNISPACE III, in particular the recommendations of the regional preparatory conferences for UNISPACE III and for the activities of the regional centres for space science and technology. The pledging mechanism established should ensure predictable funds by calculating and circulating indicative amounts to be pledged by each Member State annually, to be considered by the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space at its regular sessions. In addition, action should be taken to identify international financing bodies and other potential sources of funding to provide support with a view to including space science and technology in academic curricula at the different educational levels."

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