

Taking note of the report of the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space,¹²

1. *Expresses its appreciation and thanks* to the Government and people of Austria for the excellent facilities and generous hospitality provided for the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;

2. *Endorses* the recommendations pertaining to international co-operation in the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space, as contained in the report of the Conference;¹³

3. *Invites* all Governments to take effective action for the implementation of the recommendations of the Conference;

4. *Invites* all Member States, in particular those with major space capabilities, to contribute actively to the goal of preventing an arms race in outer space, as an essential condition for the promotion of international co-operation in the exploration and uses of outer space for peaceful purposes;

5. *Requests* all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and other intergovernmental organizations which are working in the field of outer space or space-related matters to co-operate in the implementation of the recommendations of the Conference;

6. *Takes note* of the recommendations of the Conference regarding study projects¹⁴ and invites all specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations concerned to contribute within their field of competence to the elaboration of those studies;

7. *Decides*, upon the recommendations of the Conference,¹⁵ that the United Nations Programme on Space Applications should be directed towards the following objectives:

(a) Promotion of greater exchange of actual experiences with specific applications;

(b) Promotion of greater co-operation in space science and technology between developed and developing countries as well as among developing countries;

(c) Development of a fellowship programme for in-depth training of space technologists and applications specialists, with the help of Member States and relevant international organizations and establishment and regular up-dating of lists containing available fellowships in all States and relevant international organizations;

(d) Organization of regular seminars on advanced space applications and new system developments for managers and leaders of space application and technology development activities as well as seminars for users in specific applications for durations, as appropriate;

(e) Stimulation of the growth of indigenous nuclei and an autonomous technological base, to the extent possible, in space technology in developing countries with the co-operation of other United Nations organizations and/or States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies;

(f) Dissemination, through panel meetings and seminars, of information on new and advanced technology and applications, with emphasis on their relevance and implications for developing countries;

(g) Provision or arrangements for provision of technical advisory services on space applications projects, upon request by Member States or any of the specialized agencies;

8. *Decides* to establish an International Space Information Service, initially consisting of a directory of sources of information and data services to provide direction upon request to accessible data banks and information sources;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to strengthen the Outer Space Affairs Division of the Secretariat with an appropriate augmentation of technical personnel and decides, upon the recommendation of the Conference,¹⁶ that all new or expanded activities contained in the present resolution are to be funded mainly through voluntary contributions of States in money or in kind, as well as through the rearrangement of priorities within the next regular budget of the United Nations;

10. *Appeals* to all Governments to make voluntary contributions, either in money or in kind, towards carrying out the recommendations of the Conference;

11. *Approves* the recommendations of the Conference regarding the establishment and strengthening of regional mechanisms of co-operation and their promotion and creation through the United Nations system;¹⁷

12. *Emphasizes* the need for close co-operation between all United Nations bodies engaging in space or space-related activities, as well as the desirability of close co-operation with international funding agencies and subsidiary bodies, such as the United Nations Development Programme;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to assure the availability and appropriate dissemination of the report of the Conference;

14. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

*100th plenary meeting
10 December 1982*

37/91. Question of the review of the Convention on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the importance of international co-operation in the field of the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space, including the moon and other celestial bodies, and of promoting the law in this field of human endeavour,

Taking note with appreciation of the work accomplished by the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, in particular that of its Legal Sub-Committee,

Recognizing that, in view of the considerable increase of activities in outer space, effective international rules and procedures concerning liability for damage caused by space objects continue to be of great importance,

Having reviewed the Convention on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects,¹⁸

Noting with satisfaction that to date seventy-two States have signed and sixty-two States have ratified the Convention,

1. *Reaffirms* the importance of the Convention on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects;

2. *Invites* all States that have not yet done so to give urgent consideration to ratifying or acceding to the Convention.

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¹² *Ibid.* (A/CONF.101/10 and Corr.1 and 2).

¹³ *Ibid.*, para. 361.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 428.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, para. 430.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 423.

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, para. 353.

¹⁸ Resolution 2777 (XXVI), annex.