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The ever more numerous measures for the militarization of outer space are considerably increasing the danger of nuclear disaster. The misuse of space in general, without any control, represents a serious danger for ecological equilibrium and for the life of mankind and of our planet.

Outer space does not belong to any State, it is the common good of all States and all nations. That is why we consider that all activities for the use of outer space for military purposes must be stopped.

It is likewise important to work out general regulations governing the use of space by various countries for peaceful purposes.

We consider it necessary for the United Nations to shoulder the responsibility for the conclusion of an international treaty on outer space. One possibility which could be envisaged would be the organization of a world conference and, possibly, the creation of a special agency for the defence of outer space within the framework of the United Nations.