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the spirit of the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies.

All States, in particular those with major space capabilities, should contribute actively to the objective of the peaceful use of outer space and take immediate measures to prevent an arms race in outer space in the interest of maintaining international peace and security and promoting international co-operation and understanding. \*/

To this end all effective efforts should be made both bilaterally and multilaterally.

In this regard bilateral negotiations have been undertaken and should be continued to work out effective agreements on the prevention of an arms race in outer space.

Efforts should be made by the Conference on Disarmament in the exercise of its responsibilities in accordance with paragraph 120 of the Final Document of the first special session of the General Assembly devoted to Disarmament and which has [a] [the] primary role in the negotiation of [any] multilateral agreement or agreements, as appropriate, on the prevention of an arms race in outer space. \*\*/

<sup>\*/</sup> Some delegations reserved their position on the first two paragraphs until the language of this entire section is completed and its placement resolved.

<sup>\*\*/</sup> Many delegations consider that the first paragraph, which reproduces paragraph 80 of the final document of the first special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, should be supplemented to reflect that present urgency and importance of the subject. They further consider that it should occupy a more prominent place in the Programme and, to that end, propose that it be included as subsection B in the section "Disarmament measures", under the heading "Space arms". Other delegations are considering the placement of this paragraph pending the balance of the overall document.