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Topic: Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space

The General Assembly First Committee: Disarmament and International Security reminding all nations of the importance of the Outer Space Treaty of 1967, Deeply disturbed by the amount of space debris in outer space, Reaffirming its commitment to the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and its connections to outer space,

Having examined the Treaty on Prevention of the Placement of Weapons in Outer Space and of the Threat or Use of Force against Outer Space Objects,

Aware of the space race of 1957 between the Unites Socialist Soviet Republic and the United States of America,

Observing the scientific advancements of technology that have been gained by space exploration and the International Space Station,

Realizing space is to be used for peaceful purposes,

1. Encourages all schools to implement education starting at the age of eight to teach children about the importance of peace in space;

2. Further invites member states and countries with nuclear weapons to attend a summit in Scandinavia to make more treaties;

3. Recommends the creation of a new treaty banning any weapons for the ground or otherwise to be sent into orbit;

4. Calls upon the United Nations to send peacekeepers into space for surveillance;

5. Urges member states to find a specific definition of space weaponry;

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6. Further requests the member states that have not signed the Treaty on Prevention of the Placement of Weapons in Outer Space and of the Threat or Use of Force against Outer Space Objects to attend a summit to address concerns;

7. Further recommends that the United Nations inspect countries’ space programs for any objects that might be considered weapons;