

МЕЖДУНАРОДНАЯ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯ КОСМИЧЕСКОЙ СВЯЗИ ИНТЕРСПУТНИК International Organization of Space Communications
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DECLARATION

on the Acceptance by the Intersputnik International Organization of Space Communications of the Rights and Obligations
Under the United Nations Treaties on Outer Space

The Intersputnik International Organization of Space Communications (IOSC) — an international intergovernmental organization established on 15 November 1971 to ensure cooperation and coordination of efforts in the design, establishment, operation, and development of the international communications system via man-made Earth satellites, and carrying on activities in outer space,

Confirming its commitment to the principle of conducting space activities in accordance with international law, including the Charter of the United Nations, in the interest of maintaining international peace and security and promoting international cooperation and understanding,

Considering that the majority of the member-states of the Intersputnik IOSC are states parties to the Treaty of 27 January 1967 on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies, the Agreement of 22 April 1968 on the Rescue of Astronauts, the Return of Astronauts and the Return of Objects Launched into Outer Space, the Convention of 29 March 1972 on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects, and the Convention of 14 January 1975 on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space,

Guided by the decision of the Intersputnik IOSC Board made on 20 June 2018 during the joint 46th session of the Board and 21st session of the Operations Committee of the Intersputnik IOSC as well as article VI of the Treaty of 27 January 1967 on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies, article 6 of the Agreement of 22 April 1968 on the Rescue of Astronauts, the Return of Astronauts and the Return of Objects Launched into Outer Space, article XXII of the Convention of 29 March 1972 on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects, and article VII of the Convention of 14 January 1975 on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space,

Declares

- its acceptance of the obligation to comply with the Treaty of 27 January 1967 on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies, and responsibility for compliance with the treaty in accordance with article VI thereof,
- its acceptance of the rights and obligations provided for in the Agreement of 22 April 1968 on the Rescue of Astronauts, the Return of Astronauts and the Return of Objects Launched into Outer Space in accordance with article 6 thereof,
- its acceptance of the rights and obligations provided for in the Convention of 29 March 1972 on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects in accordance with article XXII thereof,
- its acceptance of the rights and obligations provided for in the Convention of 14 January 1975 on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space in accordance with article VII thereof,

Considers that the relevant provisions of the aforementioned United Nations treaties on outer space are applicable to the activities of the Intersputnik <u>IOS</u>C.

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