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**Committee on the Peaceful  
Uses of Outer Space**  
**Scientific and Technical Subcommittee**  
**Fifty-fifth session**  
Vienna, 29 January–9 February 2018

**Application for membership of the Committee on the  
Peaceful Uses of Outer Space: Mauritius**

**Note by the Secretariat**

The present document contains a copy of the application of Mauritius for membership with the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. The Note Verbale of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations (Vienna) containing the application of Mauritius, was received by the Secretariat on 11 January 2018 and was circulated to States members of the Committee in a note verbale OOSA/2018/1 CU 2018/19/OOSA/CPLA of 18 January 2018.

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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS TO THE UNITED  
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MISSION PERMANENTE DE LA REPUBLIQUE DE MAURICE AUPRES DES NATIONS UNIES  
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The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Director of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and has the honour to inform that the Republic of Mauritius intends to apply for membership of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS).

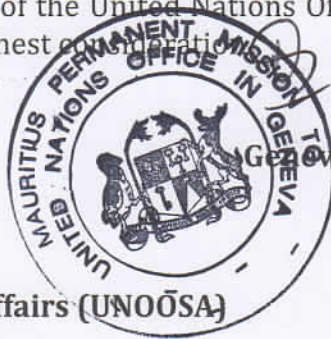
The Republic of Mauritius is confident that the membership in COPUOS will help further expand its capabilities in the microgravity and space-related education, technology innovation and science research and application sectors as well as make an important contribution to the international cooperation and socio-economic development of Mauritius and to the 3G diversity (gender, geographical and generation) related to all those microgravity-STEM disciplines which the being-built SpaceLand Center in Mauritius is focussing on to have a new Space economy thrive in Mauritius.

The Republic of Mauritius will also contribute to the deliberations in COPUOS to facilitate its goals and to pursue its objectives for the benefit of human kind.

The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius would be grateful to the UNOOSA for circulating the present Note Verbale among the Member States of COPUOS to inform them about this candidature.

The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Director of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 11 January 2018



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