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Proposal by Japan to the Bureau of the Working Group on the “Space2030” Agenda

1. We highly appreciate the Bureau’s efforts, both before and during the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, in devising a draft structure for the “Space2030” Agenda ([A/AC.105/C.2/L.307](#)). Before the Bureau begins writing a zero draft, we wish to make two informal suggestions for your consideration.
2. First suggestion is to separate the four overarching objectives from the Agenda (or Area of activities, Thematic Priorities, whatever they may be called), because in our view trying to categorize all Agenda/Area of activities/Thematic Priorities in line with the four pillars (or the four overarching objectives) may not work out well. First reason is that since the four objectives are, by nature, overarching, there could be areas of activity, which may fall under more than one objective. For example, “capacity building” (thematic priority 7) could fall under even all four objectives. Second reason is that even if the four objectives are overarching, there could be areas of activity which may not fall easily under any of the four objectives. Examples could be “Legal regime of outer space and global space governance: current and future perspectives” (thematic priority 2) and “Enhanced information exchange on space objects and events” (thematic priority 3).
3. Second suggestion is to separate the “Implementation plan” from the main body of the Agenda and convert it into an annex. First reason is that this part could easily become an extensive list of projects, programs, and initiatives. This is not appropriate for a visionary high-level document as expected by member states. Second reason is that, given the rapid expansion of space activities and developments in space science and technology, some parts of the implementation plan will become obsolete rather quickly, and therefore will need to be updated and/or revised when necessary in due course of time.
4. We attach a structure reflecting the two suggestions above mentioned.



Attachment:

- I. Introduction
- II. Strategic vision
- III. Overarching objectives
 - A. Space Economy:
 - B. Space Society:
 - C. Space Accessibility:
 - D. Space diplomacy:
- IV. Agenda (or Area of activities, thematic priorities)
 1. Global partnership in space exploration and innovation
 2. Legal regime of outer space and global space governance: current and future perspectives
 3. Enhanced information exchange on space objects and events
 4. International framework for space weather services
 5. Strengthened space cooperation for global health
 6. International cooperation towards low-emission and resilient societies
 7. Capacity-building for the twenty-first century
 - 8.
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 - 11.

Annex: Implementation plan (to be revised or updated)
