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**National Space Legislation relevant to the peaceful
use of outer space**

National Space Legislation

Note by the Secretariat

At its fifty-fifth session, in 2016, the Legal Subcommittee recommended that States members and permanent observers of the Committee inform the Subcommittee, at its fifty-sixth session, to continue to submit to the Secretariat texts of their national space laws and regulations and to provide updates and inputs for the schematic overview of national space activities ([A/AC.105/1113](#), para. 121).

The present document contains a reply received from Thailand and Turkey.

Thailand

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Thailand still lacks a central organization responsible for the exchange of information; in this regard, Thailand has never exchanged any information on national legislation relevant to the peaceful exploration and use of outer space with any international organizations of any countries.

Nevertheless, Thailand is planning to establish an organization that will operate as a focal point for the exchange of information on national legislation relevant to the peaceful exploration and use of outer space. Thailand is willing to exchange the information about space law in due course.

* [A/AC.105/C.2/L.299](#).



Turkey

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Law No. 278 on the Establishment of the Scientific And Technological Research Council Of Turkey

With this law, TUBITAK is authorized to develop national science and technology policies. TUBITAK is also authorized to support, carry out and coordinate research and development effort in cooperation with relevant bodies.

http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/tubitak_content_files//mevzuat/yonetmelik/Kanun_278_eylul_2011.pdf

Statutory decree No. 655 on the Organization and Duties of Ministry of Transport, Maritime Affairs and Communications

With this law, Directorate General of Aeronautics and Space Technologies is authorized to develop proposals, strategies and goals for the development of aeronautics industry and space technology in Turkey, in coordination with the relevant organizations. DGAST is also authorized to maintain international relations related to its work field.

<http://mevzuat.basbakanlik.gov.tr/Metin1.Asp?MevzuatKod=4.5.655&MevzuatIisiki=0&sourceXmlSearch=&Tur=4&Tertip=5&No=655>

Law No. 406, Additional Clause 33 on the Establishment of TURKSAT

With this law, TURKSAT is authorized to carry out work related to orbit spectrum rights. It is authorized to operate satellites of its own and belonging to others. It is also authorized to have satellites of its own and belonging to others operated by the other bodies.

<http://www.udhb.gov.tr/images/kurumsal/89e58f122d98529.pdf>