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NEW IMPLICATIONS OF LUNAR EXPLOITATION AND MOON AGREEMENT

Abstract

The idea of creating an International Space Agency (tentative title: hereinafter referred to ISA) is only my academic and practical opinion. It is necessary for us to establish ISA as an international organization for the efficient and rapid exploitation of natural resources in the moon and other celestial bodies. The establishment of ISA as a new international regime is based on the Article 11, 5 and Article 18 of the 1979 Moon Agreement. In order to establish as a preliminary procedure, it needs to make the Draft for the Convention on the establishment an ISA among the space-faring countries. The creation of an ISA would lead to a strengthening of the cooperation deemed essential by the global community towards joint undertakings in space and would act as a catalyst for the efforts on space exploitation of the moon and other celestial bodies and allow resources, technology, manpower and finances to be centrally managed in an independent fashion to the benefit of the space-faring countries. It is desirable and necessary for us to establish ISA in order to promote cooperation in space policy, law, science technology and industry among the space-faring countries. The establishment of the ISA will be promoted the international cooperation among the space-faring countries in exploitations and developments of the natural resources in the moon and other celestial bodies. Finally, a very important point is that a political drive, at the highest level, should be effected mobilize states toward this initiative, possibly taking the form of a solemn statement by heads of state of the space super countries including the United Nations setting out objectives and prospects for the long term. It should be noted that this political drive will be necessary not only to set up the organization, but also during a subsequent period. It is desirable and necessary for us to establish the ISA in order to develop the space industry, to strengthen friendly relations and to promote research cooperation among the space-faring countries based on the new ideology, ethics and creative ideas. If the heads of the superpowers including the United Nations will be agreed to establish ISA at a summit conference, I am sure that it is possible to establish an ISA in the future.