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LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO SATELLITE DATA AND IMAGERY TRANSFER BETWEEN SPACE STATIONS AND FUTURE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ON CELESTIAL BODIES.

Abstract

The present paper will debate which would be the main legal issues related to satellite remote sensing and data transfer between orbital devices and future human settlements on celestial bodies. These celestial bodies would cover asteroids, planets and exoplanets. From a preliminary perspective, Intellectual property issues may arise when creating a copyrightable work in space, discovering an invention and adding value to raw data. Commercial issues arise when determining the conditions of transfer and license of such intangibles. From a theoretical and practical perspective, the principles of non appropriation and jurisdiction and control would play a key role in this regard