



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Depositary Notification

Notification Reference No. 2024-018

**Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space,
Including the Moon and other Celestial Bodies**

Done at London, Moscow, and Washington on January 27, 1967

Republic of Colombia: Ratification

Date of Action: March 21, 2024

The Secretary of State, in performance of the depositary duties of the United States of America, communicates the following:

On March 21, 2024, the Republic of Colombia deposited an instrument of ratification of the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, Including the Moon and other Celestial Bodies.

The instrument of ratification includes a statement, referred to as an "interpretative declaration", an official Department of State English translation of which reads as follows:

"The Colombian State reaffirms, pursuant to Articles 101 and 102 of the Constitution, that the segment of the geostationary orbit corresponding to Colombia is part of Colombia and states its understanding that no portion of this Treaty contradicts the rights claimed by the Colombian State, and that the Treaty shall, likewise, not be interpreted in violation of these rights."

The Treaty entered into force for the Republic of Colombia in accordance with Article XIV, paragraph 4 of the Treaty, which reads: "For States whose instruments of ratification or accession are deposited subsequent to the entry into force of this Treaty, it shall enter into force on the date of the deposit of their instruments of ratification or accession."

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Washington, April 15, 2024