Regulation for Enforcement of the Act on the Promotion of Business Activities for the Exploration and Development of Space Resources (Tentative translation)

(Cabinet Office Order No. 73 of December 23, 2021)

(Definitions)

Article 1 The terms used in this Cabinet Office Order are governed by the definitions in the Act on the Promotion of Business Activities for the Exploration and Development of Space Resources (hereinafter referred to as the "Act").

(Actions Specified in Cabinet Office Order, as Referred to in Article 2, item (ii)(b) of the Act)

Article 2 The action specified in Cabinet Office Order, as referred to in Article 2, item (ii)(b) of the Act, is transportation of space resources.

(Application of Special Provisions on a License for the Control of Spacecraft)

Article 3 (1) A person who intends to obtain a license for exploration and development of space resources prescribed in Article 3, paragraph (1) of the Act must submit the business activities plan set forth in Form 1 at the same time as submitting the application form prescribed in Article 20, paragraph (2) of the Act on Launching of Spacecraft, etc. and Control of Spacecraft (Act No. 76 of 2016; hereinafter referred to as the "Space Activity Act").

(2) Matters set forth in Cabinet Office Order, as referred to in Article 3, paragraph (1), item (vi) of the Act, are the financial plan and system for implementing business activities for the exploration and development of space resources prescribed in item (i) of that paragraph.

(Special Provisions on Announcement Methods)

Article 4 (1) Cases set forth in Cabinet Office Order, as referred to in the proviso to Article 4 of the Act, are cases in which a person engaging in such business activities has submitted to the Prime Minister a document that describes a part for which it is likely that interests pertaining to business activities for the exploration and development of space resources will be unjustly harmed by a public announcement and the reason thereof, and that reason is considered to be reasonable and appropriate.

(2) The matters set forth by Cabinet Office Order, as referred to in Article 4, item (iii) of the Act, are the date and license number of the license under Article 20, paragraph (1) of the Space Activity Act.

Supplementary Provisions

This Cabinet Office Order comes into effect from the date on which the Act comes into effect (23 December, 2021).