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**Report to Commission 5**  
**Meeting Monday 1st October, 15.00**

**Chairs: Isabelle Duvaux-Bechon, Dr. Bernhard Schmidt-Tedd**

**Rapporteur: Gabriella Arrigo**

**SG 5.10—Policy, Political, Legal and Economic Issues in Active Space Debris Removal**

Lesley Jane Smith is presenting the results of Study Group 5.10 on Sunday afternoon to the general IAA meeting. The IAA schedule has just been sent from Paris, according to which the report is to be made at app. 16.10.

The above report was submitted to the IAA after the Spring Meeting, after which the editors received ten individual peer reviews transmitted by IAA this summer.

Ray Williams and LJ Smith are still undertaking final adjustments and estimate that the report will be formally submitted 1<sup>st</sup> November.

The editors will address some issues to be clarified with the IAA regarding publication, notably availability and distribution of the report. There is concern that a possible purchase cost for the report will negatively impact on its significant findings that come out in support of further development of this activity. The editors/authors wish to see appropriate circulation to interested parties and stakeholders secured.

The final version of the report is still to be circulated amongst the authors prior to final submission to the Academy.

The editors are of the opinion that the subject remains significant enough to merit as entry to further discussion of the topic from various perspectives such as societal impact of debris and the related issues of space situational awareness and space traffic management.

For the Editors

Ray Williamson

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