



Radisson

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00:00:07,349 --> 00:00:05,430  
all right

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00:00:08,870 --> 00:00:07,359  
thank you noel can you guys can you hear

3  
00:00:10,310 --> 00:00:08,880  
me okay in the back

4  
00:00:12,070 --> 00:00:10,320  
yeah okay

5  
00:00:13,589 --> 00:00:12,080  
well um

6  
00:00:15,110 --> 00:00:13,599  
i still have the how much time do i have

7  
00:00:17,189 --> 00:00:15,120  
those

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00:00:18,950 --> 00:00:17,199  
same okay yeah that'd be fine

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00:00:21,189 --> 00:00:18,960  
uh so first of all i want to thank you

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00:00:22,310 --> 00:00:21,199  
for uh giving me the time to talk to you

11  
00:00:24,070 --> 00:00:22,320  
today

12  
00:00:26,230 --> 00:00:24,080  
uh over the course of my career you know

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00:00:28,390 --> 00:00:26,240

this is my second stint at nasa

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00:00:29,349 --> 00:00:28,400

and in my first stand at nasa i used to

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00:00:31,509 --> 00:00:29,359

love

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00:00:32,470 --> 00:00:31,519

uh going to the apple courses like this

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00:00:34,870 --> 00:00:32,480

one

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00:00:36,310 --> 00:00:34,880

uh i never got to come to florida i

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00:00:37,670 --> 00:00:36,320

always had to go to wallops island it

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00:00:39,830 --> 00:00:37,680

was a little closer

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00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:39,840

and this is this is definitely cooler

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00:00:41,830 --> 00:00:40,960

but

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00:00:43,350 --> 00:00:41,840

you know

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00:00:45,190 --> 00:00:43,360

i'm actually really excited to be here

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00:00:46,549 --> 00:00:45,200

with you all today

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00:00:47,670 --> 00:00:46,559

pretty much anytime i get out of

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00:00:49,670 --> 00:00:47,680

washington

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00:00:51,750 --> 00:00:49,680

is a good day

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00:00:53,750 --> 00:00:51,760

so thank you for having me uh what i'd

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00:00:55,189 --> 00:00:53,760

like to do is

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00:00:57,990 --> 00:00:55,199

talk to you about

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00:01:00,630 --> 00:00:58,000

the new technology programs

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00:01:02,549 --> 00:01:00,640

and really the plan embodied in the

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00:01:06,149 --> 00:01:02,559

president's fy 11

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00:01:09,510 --> 00:01:08,310

for nasa as you know there's a lot of

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00:01:11,270 --> 00:01:09,520

debate

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00:01:13,429 --> 00:01:11,280

over this plan

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00:01:15,429 --> 00:01:13,439

i would caution you to

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00:01:17,270 --> 00:01:15,439

not believe the debate as it's been

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00:01:19,990 --> 00:01:17,280

reported in the newspapers

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00:01:22,469 --> 00:01:20,000

uh you know newspaper reporters are in

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00:01:24,830 --> 00:01:22,479

the business of selling newspapers and

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00:01:26,550 --> 00:01:24,840

so it helps you know when they

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00:01:28,390 --> 00:01:26,560

uh

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00:01:31,190 --> 00:01:28,400

dramatize

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00:01:32,710 --> 00:01:31,200

sensationalize the story i mean there is

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00:01:35,109 --> 00:01:32,720

definitely a vigorous debate don't get

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00:01:37,270 --> 00:01:35,119

me wrong and those of us in washington

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00:01:39,749 --> 00:01:37,280

are right in the middle of it

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00:01:41,990 --> 00:01:39,759

but it's not exactly as it's been

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00:01:44,149 --> 00:01:42,000

reported uh in my view

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00:01:45,350 --> 00:01:44,159

and so what i want to do is if it's okay

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00:01:47,910 --> 00:01:45,360

with you guys is i want to walk you

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00:01:49,910 --> 00:01:47,920

through at least the way i view

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00:01:51,510 --> 00:01:49,920

the president's budget request now you

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00:01:54,389 --> 00:01:51,520

need to realize that

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00:01:57,510 --> 00:01:54,399

i came back to nasa on february 1st

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00:01:59,670 --> 00:01:57,520

the day the budget was rolled out so

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00:02:01,350 --> 00:01:59,680

it was quite an exciting day and it's

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00:02:03,749 --> 00:02:01,360

been quite an exciting

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00:02:07,510 --> 00:02:03,759

three months as a result and i should

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00:02:09,350 --> 00:02:07,520

also admit to you up front my bias okay

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00:02:11,830 --> 00:02:09,360

um

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00:02:15,270 --> 00:02:11,840

i had a great job at georgia tech in

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00:02:17,350 --> 00:02:15,280

fact i have a great job at georgia tech

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00:02:19,830 --> 00:02:17,360

you know i left nasa in 2003 i went to

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00:02:21,670 --> 00:02:19,840

georgia tech i've been on the faculty in

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00:02:23,350 --> 00:02:21,680

aerospace engineering

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00:02:24,550 --> 00:02:23,360

working with undergraduate and graduate

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00:02:27,670 --> 00:02:24,560

students

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00:02:29,910 --> 00:02:27,680

mostly on advanced technology projects

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00:02:31,990 --> 00:02:29,920

for nasa sometimes for the dod but

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00:02:35,030 --> 00:02:32,000

mostly for nasa

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00:02:36,630 --> 00:02:35,040

and that job you know really

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00:02:37,910 --> 00:02:36,640

gets my juices going it's just something

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00:02:40,150 --> 00:02:37,920

i really like

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00:02:43,509 --> 00:02:40,160

and i'm telling you that because i made

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00:02:44,869 --> 00:02:43,519

the conscious choice to leave that life

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00:02:46,869 --> 00:02:44,879

that i liked

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00:02:47,910 --> 00:02:46,879

and come be the chief technologist at

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00:02:50,790 --> 00:02:47,920

nasa

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00:02:53,670 --> 00:02:50,800

in this time of change

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00:02:54,550 --> 00:02:53,680

so you can imagine where i sit on this

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00:02:57,190 --> 00:02:54,560

uh

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00:02:58,949 --> 00:02:57,200

this debate right i'm obviously

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00:03:00,149 --> 00:02:58,959

you know admitted up front i'm obviously

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00:03:03,110 --> 00:03:00,159

in favor

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00:03:05,350 --> 00:03:03,120

of the president's fy 11 budget request

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00:03:07,110 --> 00:03:05,360

or i wouldn't allow georgia tech okay

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00:03:09,430 --> 00:03:07,120

just just so you know where i stand and

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00:03:11,910 --> 00:03:09,440

let me walk through that a little bit

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00:03:13,589 --> 00:03:11,920

and explain to you why

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00:03:15,910 --> 00:03:13,599

okay and by the way if you want to wait

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00:03:18,229 --> 00:03:15,920

with questions at the end that's fine

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00:03:20,390 --> 00:03:18,239

or if you want to ask as i go through

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00:03:22,550 --> 00:03:20,400

this that's that's fine as well

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00:03:23,990 --> 00:03:22,560

so this is a summary

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00:03:25,030 --> 00:03:24,000

uh you guys probably all have this

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00:03:26,949 --> 00:03:25,040

material

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00:03:28,309 --> 00:03:26,959

i'm told that it gets posted you know as

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00:03:31,509 --> 00:03:28,319

soon as i give a presentation it gets

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00:03:33,350 --> 00:03:31,519

posted somewhere it seems like

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00:03:36,390 --> 00:03:33,360

that's also a big change for me nobody

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00:03:40,789 --> 00:03:38,550

uh i'm not sure they still care but they

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00:03:42,789 --> 00:03:40,799

they definitely post it um so here's a

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00:03:45,430 --> 00:03:42,799

summary from my perspective of the

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00:03:46,869 --> 00:03:45,440

president's fy11 budget request a couple

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00:03:48,149 --> 00:03:46,879

of key points

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00:03:49,830 --> 00:03:48,159

and you've probably heard some of these

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00:03:50,789 --> 00:03:49,840

points already but let me just say them

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00:03:53,750 --> 00:03:50,799

again

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00:03:56,229 --> 00:03:53,760

nasa got a top-line budget increase

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00:03:57,910 --> 00:03:56,239

it's about 300 million dollars in fy11

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00:04:00,630 --> 00:03:57,920

and over the five-year

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00:04:03,350 --> 00:04:00,640

projected budget we're talking about

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00:04:05,750 --> 00:04:03,360

six billion dollars of an increase

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00:04:07,350 --> 00:04:05,760

and that's important to me for one

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00:04:09,190 --> 00:04:07,360

reason

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00:04:11,190 --> 00:04:09,200

this is a very challenging time for our

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00:04:12,869 --> 00:04:11,200

country economically

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00:04:15,030 --> 00:04:12,879

and as you know

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00:04:17,349 --> 00:04:15,040

the discretionary part of

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00:04:20,390 --> 00:04:17,359

the federal budget was capped

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by president obama it did not increase

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00:04:25,110 --> 00:04:22,560

you know discretionary funding excluding

126  
00:04:27,670 --> 00:04:25,120  
defense did not increase okay that means

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00:04:30,710 --> 00:04:27,680  
that if nasa got an increase somebody

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00:04:32,070 --> 00:04:30,720  
else actually took a cut

129  
00:04:34,710 --> 00:04:32,080  
okay that's something that's you know a

130  
00:04:36,310 --> 00:04:34,720  
little difficult for people at nasa even

131  
00:04:38,950 --> 00:04:36,320  
myself included

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00:04:40,469 --> 00:04:38,960  
to realize if you look across the

133  
00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:40,479  
federal government and you look at who

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00:04:45,270 --> 00:04:43,280  
got increases you'll find that all of

135  
00:04:47,670 --> 00:04:45,280  
the federal agencies that were doing

136  
00:04:49,430 --> 00:04:47,680  
research and technology or that the

137  
00:04:51,670 --> 00:04:49,440  
president and the administration would

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00:04:53,030 --> 00:04:51,680

like to be doing research in technology

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00:04:54,790 --> 00:04:53,040

got increases

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00:04:57,270 --> 00:04:54,800

and all the federal agencies that were

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00:04:58,310 --> 00:04:57,280

not doing research and technology took

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00:05:00,550 --> 00:04:58,320

cuts

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00:05:03,670 --> 00:05:00,560

so to pay for the agencies that did get

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00:05:05,110 --> 00:05:03,680

an increase okay that's a that's a theme

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00:05:06,469 --> 00:05:05,120

in the federal budget that you need to

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00:05:09,110 --> 00:05:06,479

be aware of

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00:05:10,950 --> 00:05:09,120

uh so we got this top line increase that

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00:05:13,590 --> 00:05:10,960

increase was distributed

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00:05:16,550 --> 00:05:13,600

there was a relatively large in my view

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00:05:18,390 --> 00:05:16,560

increase for science uh primarily for

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00:05:20,150 --> 00:05:18,400

earth science two and a half billion

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00:05:22,390 --> 00:05:20,160

over five years

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00:05:24,310 --> 00:05:22,400

aeronautics got what i would call a

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00:05:26,870 --> 00:05:24,320

modest increase it's actually pretty

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00:05:29,830 --> 00:05:26,880

large um you know 15 percentage-wise at

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00:05:32,150 --> 00:05:29,840

least it's 15 percent which is uh you

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00:05:33,830 --> 00:05:32,160

know reduces the decline in aeronautics

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00:05:34,950 --> 00:05:33,840

that had been ongoing for five or ten

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00:05:36,870 --> 00:05:34,960

years

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00:05:39,189 --> 00:05:36,880

uh dollar wise it's small because the

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00:05:40,790 --> 00:05:39,199

aeronautics budget is small

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00:05:42,310 --> 00:05:40,800

and perhaps the thing that you've heard

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00:05:44,870 --> 00:05:42,320

about the most and the thing that's been

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00:05:46,710 --> 00:05:44,880

debated the most is the shift in human

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00:05:48,870 --> 00:05:46,720

exploration and i'm going to talk about

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00:05:50,950 --> 00:05:48,880

that a lot more on the coming slides but

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00:05:53,110 --> 00:05:50,960

there's a couple points there one the

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goal of our human exploration program

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00:05:57,830 --> 00:05:56,240

has not changed the goal today is the

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00:05:59,590 --> 00:05:57,840

same as the goal

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00:06:02,629 --> 00:05:59,600

three months ago and the same as the

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00:06:04,550 --> 00:06:02,639

goal a couple years ago the goal is to

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00:06:05,590 --> 00:06:04,560

extend human presence beyond low earth

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00:06:08,230 --> 00:06:05,600

orbit

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00:06:11,189 --> 00:06:08,240

okay what has changed is the approach

176  
00:06:12,790 --> 00:06:11,199  
by which nasa is pursuing that goal

177  
00:06:15,110 --> 00:06:12,800  
and here are some of the characteristics

178  
00:06:17,029 --> 00:06:15,120  
just from a budget perspective about

179  
00:06:18,870 --> 00:06:17,039  
that changed approach there is an

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00:06:20,710 --> 00:06:18,880  
addition there are additional funds to

181  
00:06:22,790 --> 00:06:20,720  
complete what were five remaining

182  
00:06:24,950 --> 00:06:22,800  
shuttle flights what today

183  
00:06:27,029 --> 00:06:24,960  
there were down to three

184  
00:06:28,550 --> 00:06:27,039  
potentially four i guess remaining

185  
00:06:30,950 --> 00:06:28,560  
shuttle flights

186  
00:06:32,830 --> 00:06:30,960  
uh the inclusion of the iss the

187  
00:06:35,510 --> 00:06:32,840  
extension of the iss and the full

188  
00:06:37,670 --> 00:06:35,520

utilization of the iss as a national

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00:06:38,710 --> 00:06:37,680

laboratory through 2020

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00:06:41,510 --> 00:06:38,720

bringing i

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00:06:43,670 --> 00:06:41,520

putting iss as the central focus of our

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00:06:45,670 --> 00:06:43,680

human spaceflight program this is a

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00:06:49,189 --> 00:06:45,680

major shift as well one that's by the

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00:06:52,230 --> 00:06:49,199

way very underreported in my view

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00:06:53,830 --> 00:06:52,240

extending iss through at least 2020

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00:06:55,350 --> 00:06:53,840

the commercial approach to low-earth

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00:06:56,629 --> 00:06:55,360

orbit access we just heard a little bit

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about that

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there's six billion dollars in the

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budget over five years

201  
00:07:04,309 --> 00:07:01,440  
to foster

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00:07:05,270 --> 00:07:04,319  
commercial industry in providing leo

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00:07:06,950 --> 00:07:05,280  
access

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00:07:08,950 --> 00:07:06,960  
there's modernization of the kennedy

205  
00:07:10,230 --> 00:07:08,960  
space center launch complex which you

206  
00:07:13,110 --> 00:07:10,240  
all know

207  
00:07:15,029 --> 00:07:13,120  
like many of the facilities at nasa

208  
00:07:16,550 --> 00:07:15,039  
hasn't had significant upgrades in

209  
00:07:20,309 --> 00:07:16,560  
decades

210  
00:07:22,870 --> 00:07:20,319  
and is you know in some cases rather old

211  
00:07:24,629 --> 00:07:22,880  
um the flexible pass strategy to human

212  
00:07:25,830 --> 00:07:24,639  
exploration beyond low earth orbit i'm

213  
00:07:27,510 --> 00:07:25,840

sure you've read about that in the

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00:07:28,950 --> 00:07:27,520

augustine committee report it actually

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00:07:30,550 --> 00:07:28,960

wasn't originally their idea it's been

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00:07:31,990 --> 00:07:30,560

around for a while

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but the latest version of that is

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captured in augustine's report

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and of course the other thing that has

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been discussed over and over and over

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again in the press is the

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cancellation cancellation or

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restructuring of the constellation

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program

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00:07:52,869 --> 00:07:50,080

uh to include an update in mid-april uh

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00:07:55,510 --> 00:07:52,879

a modified orion development continuing

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uh as a crew return vehicle and as a

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technology testbed for future missions

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00:08:02,710 --> 00:08:01,440

you heard a lot about this theme the

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shift in approach for the human

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00:08:06,390 --> 00:08:04,160

exploration program

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00:08:08,230 --> 00:08:06,400

what you may not have heard is enough as

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much about and what i want to focus on

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00:08:13,510 --> 00:08:10,960

today is this significant focus on

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00:08:15,029 --> 00:08:13,520

technology development sure it's there

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it's always in the newspaper articles

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00:08:18,390 --> 00:08:16,560

it's down like in the third or fourth

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00:08:21,189 --> 00:08:18,400

paragraph it's never you know it always

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says obama cancels moon program right

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and then down in on page four

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it says by the way there's a big focus

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it's this focus on technology that

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00:08:38,310 --> 00:08:34,240

i was excited about personally and is

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why i came back to nasa to this position

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there's a strong focus on technology in

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our human exploration strategy and

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there's both technology pull programs

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that i'll define in just a moment and

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00:08:54,470 --> 00:08:50,800

technology push programs uh that we are

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formulating to begin in fy 11. there's

251  
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also a major increase in emphasis on

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partnerships the obama administration is

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all about partnerships they want us to

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00:09:06,230 --> 00:09:04,080  
partner across government agencies they

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00:09:08,070 --> 00:09:06,240  
want us to partner internationally they

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00:09:10,949 --> 00:09:08,080  
want us to partner with academia and

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00:09:13,190 --> 00:09:10,959  
industry and they are incentivizing all

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00:09:15,350 --> 00:09:13,200  
the government agencies to

259  
00:09:16,389 --> 00:09:15,360  
engage in these partnership activities

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00:09:18,070 --> 00:09:16,399  
in full

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00:09:20,230 --> 00:09:18,080  
right it's part of their strategy

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00:09:22,790 --> 00:09:20,240  
frankly because the discretionary budget

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00:09:24,790 --> 00:09:22,800

is capped right and it may actually go

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00:09:27,670 --> 00:09:24,800

down next year

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00:09:29,110 --> 00:09:27,680

okay so we need to think about that

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00:09:29,990 --> 00:09:29,120

uh where's that

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here it is

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so let me jump into human exploration

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because i imagine that's maybe the topic

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that most people are interested in

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there is a renewed emphasis

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00:09:44,550 --> 00:09:41,920

on of technology

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00:09:46,070 --> 00:09:44,560

in the president's fy 11 budget and in

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00:09:47,990 --> 00:09:46,080

my view

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00:09:49,269 --> 00:09:48,000

what the budget really represents at its

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00:09:51,350 --> 00:09:49,279

highest level

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00:09:54,230 --> 00:09:51,360

is a balancing

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00:09:56,790 --> 00:09:54,240

among the three long-standing core

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competencies of nasa if you think back

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in time and you in your head you think

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about what is nasa what makes nasa

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00:10:06,470 --> 00:10:04,320

unique why is nasa not the air force why

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00:10:08,710 --> 00:10:06,480

is it not nsf

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00:10:11,030 --> 00:10:08,720

why is it nasa there's some things that

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00:10:13,750 --> 00:10:11,040

come to your mind at least to my mind

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00:10:15,590 --> 00:10:13,760

what comes to my mind are a strong

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00:10:16,790 --> 00:10:15,600

research and technology

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00:10:19,350 --> 00:10:16,800

competency

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00:10:21,350 --> 00:10:19,360

a strong flight hardware development

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00:10:24,710 --> 00:10:21,360

competency and a strong mission

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00:10:25,910 --> 00:10:24,720

operations competency in fact it's the

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00:10:28,230 --> 00:10:25,920

synergy

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00:10:30,630 --> 00:10:28,240

of all three of those core competencies

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00:10:31,590 --> 00:10:30,640

that make nasa the unique agency that it

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00:10:36,310 --> 00:10:31,600

is

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00:10:38,790 --> 00:10:36,320

where those three things are together

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00:10:41,030 --> 00:10:38,800

and it's because that nasa embodies

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00:10:43,110 --> 00:10:41,040

those three core competencies and always

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00:10:44,870 --> 00:10:43,120

has actually you can go all the way back

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00:10:47,110 --> 00:10:44,880

to the space act and the formation of

301  
00:10:49,430 --> 00:10:47,120  
nasa and it calls out these three

302  
00:10:51,670 --> 00:10:49,440  
critical core competencies it's because

303  
00:10:53,110 --> 00:10:51,680  
nasa embodies all three of those

304  
00:10:55,990 --> 00:10:53,120  
competencies

305  
00:10:56,870 --> 00:10:56,000  
is why nasa is so inspiring to young

306  
00:10:57,829 --> 00:10:56,880  
people

307  
00:10:59,910 --> 00:10:57,839  
right

308  
00:11:01,190 --> 00:10:59,920  
if all we do is research in technology

309  
00:11:02,790 --> 00:11:01,200  
right so i'm the chief technologist and

310  
00:11:04,550 --> 00:11:02,800  
i'll tell you this if all we do is

311  
00:11:06,069 --> 00:11:04,560  
research in technology and we don't do

312  
00:11:09,110 --> 00:11:06,079  
flight hardware development we don't do

313  
00:11:10,710 --> 00:11:09,120

mission operations then what's the point

314

00:11:12,069 --> 00:11:10,720

we're just nsf

315

00:11:13,350 --> 00:11:12,079

right we're just off playing in our

316

00:11:15,829 --> 00:11:13,360

sandbox

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00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:15,839

developing little toys technology toys i

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00:11:19,030 --> 00:11:17,519

don't want that

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00:11:21,269 --> 00:11:19,040

on the other hand if we don't have any

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00:11:23,829 --> 00:11:21,279

research and technology and we're just

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00:11:24,790 --> 00:11:23,839

building flight hardware and and flying

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00:11:27,110 --> 00:11:24,800

it

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00:11:29,190 --> 00:11:27,120

then we can only take

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00:11:30,150 --> 00:11:29,200

what i would call a rather incremental

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00:11:32,230 --> 00:11:30,160

approach

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00:11:35,509 --> 00:11:32,240

to that flight hardware development

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00:11:38,150 --> 00:11:35,519

right so to me a healthy nasa a nasa on

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00:11:39,430 --> 00:11:38,160

the cutting edge is strong in research

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00:11:41,509 --> 00:11:39,440

and technology

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00:11:43,190 --> 00:11:41,519

in space flight hardware development and

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00:11:45,190 --> 00:11:43,200

in mission operations

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00:11:47,269 --> 00:11:45,200

and what the president's fy 11 budget

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00:11:49,350 --> 00:11:47,279

request really embodies

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00:11:50,949 --> 00:11:49,360

is kind of a bringing up

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00:11:53,190 --> 00:11:50,959

of the research and technology

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00:11:54,629 --> 00:11:53,200

competency by the way not to an equal

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00:11:56,230 --> 00:11:54,639

point there's still more dollars in

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00:11:58,790 --> 00:11:56,240

flight hardware development and mission

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00:12:00,470 --> 00:11:58,800

operations as there probably should be

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00:12:02,150 --> 00:12:00,480

but bringing it up to the point where

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00:12:04,150 --> 00:12:02,160

it's actually visible

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00:12:06,949 --> 00:12:04,160

because over the past decade research

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00:12:08,790 --> 00:12:06,959

and technology in nasa has been

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00:12:11,030 --> 00:12:08,800

almost drummed out of business

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00:12:13,269 --> 00:12:11,040

frankly and that's not my opinion by the

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00:12:15,509 --> 00:12:13,279

way that's the opinion of a whole host

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00:12:17,750 --> 00:12:15,519

of external panels that have looked at

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00:12:19,990 --> 00:12:17,760

this over and over again including an

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00:12:21,509 --> 00:12:20,000

nrc committee that reported back uh just

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00:12:24,629 --> 00:12:21,519

a day or two ago

351  
00:12:26,150 --> 00:12:24,639  
about the abysmal state of the research

352  
00:12:28,150 --> 00:12:26,160  
of the laboratories

353  
00:12:30,230 --> 00:12:28,160  
and the r d and technology development

354  
00:12:32,389 --> 00:12:30,240  
programs within nasa that's their word

355  
00:12:33,590 --> 00:12:32,399  
by the way abysmal state it's not my

356  
00:12:34,389 --> 00:12:33,600  
work

357  
00:12:36,870 --> 00:12:34,399  
okay

358  
00:12:38,710 --> 00:12:36,880  
so that that top line there is important

359  
00:12:40,629 --> 00:12:38,720  
okay that's that's the way you need to

360  
00:12:41,509 --> 00:12:40,639  
think in my view that's that's the way i

361  
00:12:43,110 --> 00:12:41,519  
think

362  
00:12:45,190 --> 00:12:43,120  
about the budget

363  
00:12:47,350 --> 00:12:45,200

now for human exploration what does this

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00:12:49,910 --> 00:12:47,360

mean well it means

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00:12:51,509 --> 00:12:49,920

a whole host of technology development

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00:12:53,670 --> 00:12:51,519

and demonstrations and i'll show you

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00:12:55,750 --> 00:12:53,680

some of those in just a minute

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00:12:57,829 --> 00:12:55,760

designed to reduce the cost and prove

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00:12:59,829 --> 00:12:57,839

the required capabilities for our future

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00:13:01,350 --> 00:12:59,839

human exploration systems

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00:13:03,350 --> 00:13:01,360

it means things like heavy lift

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00:13:05,350 --> 00:13:03,360

propulsion technology

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00:13:08,230 --> 00:13:05,360

it means things like in-space propulsion

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00:13:09,990 --> 00:13:08,240

technology in this one program it means

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00:13:11,509 --> 00:13:10,000

robotic precursors to some of the

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00:13:13,430 --> 00:13:11,519

destinations where we want to send

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00:13:16,870 --> 00:13:13,440

humans to you know if we want to really

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00:13:19,030 --> 00:13:16,880

send humans to an asteroid in 2025

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00:13:21,590 --> 00:13:19,040

i'd certainly like to it probably makes

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00:13:23,590 --> 00:13:21,600

sense to visit that asteroid or several

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00:13:26,629 --> 00:13:23,600

asteroids like the one we might want to

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00:13:28,550 --> 00:13:26,639

visit robotically first right if we

383

00:13:30,629 --> 00:13:28,560

really want to send humans to mars there

384

00:13:32,069 --> 00:13:30,639

are a number of things we need to learn

385

00:13:33,829 --> 00:13:32,079

about mars

386

00:13:35,269 --> 00:13:33,839

from a safety perspective from a risk

387

00:13:37,430 --> 00:13:35,279

perspective

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00:13:40,629 --> 00:13:37,440

before we send humans there

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00:13:43,110 --> 00:13:40,639

uh the fourth on this list is a greatly

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00:13:44,949 --> 00:13:43,120

increased program of human research

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00:13:47,110 --> 00:13:44,959

human research program

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00:13:49,350 --> 00:13:47,120

uh basically uh long term human

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00:13:51,430 --> 00:13:49,360

adaptation to space utilizing the

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00:13:53,829 --> 00:13:51,440

international space station uh to

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00:13:56,069 --> 00:13:53,839

prepare for long journeys right going to

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00:13:58,150 --> 00:13:56,079

a new earth asteroid is a lot different

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00:13:59,990 --> 00:13:58,160

right than going to the moon

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00:14:01,990 --> 00:14:00,000

it's going it's venturing into deep

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00:14:03,509 --> 00:14:02,000

space to me there's something really

400

00:14:06,069 --> 00:14:03,519

exciting about that we're actually going

401  
00:14:07,509 --> 00:14:06,079  
to leave the earth sphere of influence

402  
00:14:09,590 --> 00:14:07,519  
right when we go to the moon we don't

403  
00:14:11,590 --> 00:14:09,600  
really do that

404  
00:14:13,750 --> 00:14:11,600  
but going into deep space for months at

405  
00:14:15,430 --> 00:14:13,760  
a time we will and there are

406  
00:14:17,350 --> 00:14:15,440  
things uh you know if we want to keep we

407  
00:14:19,910 --> 00:14:17,360  
need to keep the humans safe and there's

408  
00:14:22,069 --> 00:14:19,920  
radiation protection there's adaptation

409  
00:14:23,590 --> 00:14:22,079  
to the microgravity environment

410  
00:14:26,389 --> 00:14:23,600  
there's environmental control and life

411  
00:14:28,150 --> 00:14:26,399  
support systems

412  
00:14:29,750 --> 00:14:28,160  
that we need to greatly improve to do

413  
00:14:31,910 --> 00:14:29,760

that

414

00:14:35,030 --> 00:14:31,920

a u.s commercial human spaceflight

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00:14:36,629 --> 00:14:35,040

capability to get to low earth orbit

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00:14:38,550 --> 00:14:36,639

now how are we going to make these

417

00:14:39,990 --> 00:14:38,560

technology investments and this is a key

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point

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00:14:45,030 --> 00:14:41,600

the way we're going to go about that is

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by identifying the needed capabilities

421

00:14:49,110 --> 00:14:47,839

and then investing in multiple competing

422

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approaches

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multiple competing technologies to

424

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achieve that capability

425

00:14:59,189 --> 00:14:57,120

the challenge with this program is that

426

00:15:01,829 --> 00:14:59,199

in my view we're not actually wise

427

00:15:03,350 --> 00:15:01,839

enough today to know exactly what

428

00:15:05,829 --> 00:15:03,360

technology is the one that's going to

429

00:15:07,670 --> 00:15:05,839

allow us to send humans to mars or send

430

00:15:10,389 --> 00:15:07,680

humans to an asteroid

431

00:15:13,350 --> 00:15:10,399

right so we don't want to you know i i

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00:15:15,829 --> 00:15:13,360

for one don't want to bank my entire

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00:15:17,990 --> 00:15:15,839

human exploration program on some

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00:15:20,230 --> 00:15:18,000

technology that's not yet proven

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so instead we know there's a certain

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capability that we need and we need to

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00:15:27,829 --> 00:15:24,959

invest in multiple competing approaches

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to advance that capability and then make

439

00:15:32,150 --> 00:15:29,920

a down selection a little bit later in

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00:15:34,150 --> 00:15:32,160

time and take that down selected

441

00:15:35,990 --> 00:15:34,160

technology and prove it in a flight

442

00:15:38,150 --> 00:15:36,000

relevant environment

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00:15:40,870 --> 00:15:38,160

and i'll give you some examples of that

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00:15:42,629 --> 00:15:40,880

uh in just a minute now the other thing

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00:15:44,230 --> 00:15:42,639

that people ask me all the time is well

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00:15:45,749 --> 00:15:44,240

we're going to spend two years figuring

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00:15:48,230 --> 00:15:45,759

out what technologies or what

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00:15:51,189 --> 00:15:48,240

capabilities we need to go after

449

00:15:53,189 --> 00:15:51,199

well thankfully we don't need to

450

00:15:55,269 --> 00:15:53,199

in my office today you can you can come

451  
00:15:57,269 --> 00:15:55,279  
to my office anytime and you can see i

452  
00:15:59,430 --> 00:15:57,279  
have a stack of reports

453  
00:16:01,030 --> 00:15:59,440  
and they go from the floor to almost my

454  
00:16:02,790 --> 00:16:01,040  
height i'm just barely taller than the

455  
00:16:04,310 --> 00:16:02,800  
stack i'm very proud of that i'm

456  
00:16:05,910 --> 00:16:04,320  
tolerant

457  
00:16:06,790 --> 00:16:05,920  
it's like the only thing that i'm taller

458  
00:16:09,990 --> 00:16:06,800  
than

459  
00:16:11,590 --> 00:16:10,000  
um and and this these reports are all by

460  
00:16:13,829 --> 00:16:11,600  
the way they're done by blue ribbon

461  
00:16:16,629 --> 00:16:13,839  
panels presidential panels they're done

462  
00:16:18,389 --> 00:16:16,639  
by nasa folks they're done by nrc

463  
00:16:20,629 --> 00:16:18,399

they're done you know by all kinds of

464

00:16:22,269 --> 00:16:20,639

groups and here's a list of some of them

465

00:16:25,509 --> 00:16:22,279

going all the way back on the left to

466

00:16:27,269 --> 00:16:25,519

1969 the post apollo uh space group the

467

00:16:28,710 --> 00:16:27,279

space task group that was chartered to

468

00:16:30,470 --> 00:16:28,720

figure out what are we going to do after

469

00:16:32,310 --> 00:16:30,480

the apollo mission what kind of

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00:16:34,829 --> 00:16:32,320

technologies do we need to invest in to

471

00:16:38,150 --> 00:16:34,839

enable future human exploration

472

00:16:40,230 --> 00:16:38,160

1969 jumping forward in time in 1986

473

00:16:42,150 --> 00:16:40,240

pioneering the space frontier which by

474

00:16:44,310 --> 00:16:42,160

the way if you haven't read it is

475

00:16:46,870 --> 00:16:44,320

perhaps the most well done report on

476

00:16:48,870 --> 00:16:46,880

this subject of all time it is by far

477

00:16:50,870 --> 00:16:48,880

and away my favorite report

478

00:16:53,430 --> 00:16:50,880

uh done you know the leader the chairman

479

00:16:55,590 --> 00:16:53,440

of that report was tom payne uh it's

480

00:16:57,430 --> 00:16:55,600

wonderfully uh presented

481

00:16:59,670 --> 00:16:57,440

uh and then you can jump forward you

482

00:17:02,310 --> 00:16:59,680

know we can jump over sally rides report

483

00:17:05,110 --> 00:17:02,320

in 87 some internal nasa reports

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00:17:07,270 --> 00:17:05,120

including the 90 90-day study um that i

485

00:17:09,990 --> 00:17:07,280

was and actually phil sumrall were a

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part of back in 89

487

00:17:15,590 --> 00:17:13,120

the for augustine won in 1990 his first

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report going all the way to the latest

489

00:17:19,669 --> 00:17:18,079

augustine report on the hand side now

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00:17:21,350 --> 00:17:19,679

you might not be able to read this slide

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00:17:23,510 --> 00:17:21,360

all the way in the back

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00:17:25,110 --> 00:17:23,520

but what i've listed here on the rows

493

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are some of the technologies that these

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00:17:29,110 --> 00:17:27,199

reports have said we should invest in

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closed loop life support in space

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00:17:33,430 --> 00:17:31,280

propulsion heavy lift launch vehicle

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00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:33,440

enter descent and landing lightweight

498

00:17:38,150 --> 00:17:35,600

structures and materials

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00:17:41,430 --> 00:17:38,160

advanced eva systems

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00:17:42,950 --> 00:17:41,440

so on communications technology okay and

501  
00:17:45,270 --> 00:17:42,960  
you see the x's

502  
00:17:46,870 --> 00:17:45,280  
there's a remarkable consistency from

503  
00:17:49,590 --> 00:17:46,880  
report to report

504  
00:17:51,110 --> 00:17:49,600  
we know what capabilities we need

505  
00:17:53,430 --> 00:17:51,120  
we know

506  
00:17:56,230 --> 00:17:53,440  
it's been documented over and over again

507  
00:17:58,870 --> 00:17:56,240  
it's right here what we need is to

508  
00:18:00,950 --> 00:17:58,880  
synthesize this information and use it

509  
00:18:02,549 --> 00:18:00,960  
to develop plans forward right these are

510  
00:18:04,950 --> 00:18:02,559  
the capabilities

511  
00:18:07,270 --> 00:18:04,960  
what are the technological solutions

512  
00:18:09,430 --> 00:18:07,280  
that provide these capabilities so we

513  
00:18:10,870 --> 00:18:09,440

can take these capabilities and we can

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00:18:12,310 --> 00:18:10,880

you know if you wanted to do it purely

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00:18:14,789 --> 00:18:12,320

in a competitive environment you could

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00:18:17,190 --> 00:18:14,799

imagine like a call coming out for each

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00:18:19,110 --> 00:18:17,200

one of these capabilities and different

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00:18:21,909 --> 00:18:19,120

teams could could propose back different

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00:18:23,270 --> 00:18:21,919

technological solutions or we could take

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00:18:25,590 --> 00:18:23,280

one of these capabilities and we could

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say jsc you guys go lead a team to do

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00:18:29,909 --> 00:18:28,160

this langley you go lead a team do that

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marshall you go lead a team to do that

524

00:18:33,909 --> 00:18:31,840

and we'll try three different approaches

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00:18:35,190 --> 00:18:33,919

right we can do this either way and what

526

00:18:36,789 --> 00:18:35,200

we're planning to do actually is a

527

00:18:39,990 --> 00:18:36,799

combination of both there'll be both

528

00:18:41,270 --> 00:18:40,000

directed assignments and competed uh

529

00:18:43,510 --> 00:18:41,280

opportunities

530

00:18:46,310 --> 00:18:43,520

now why am i standing on my soapbox

531

00:18:47,909 --> 00:18:46,320

about technology okay it's not for the

532

00:18:50,630 --> 00:18:47,919

very next mission

533

00:18:52,630 --> 00:18:50,640

right it we don't need to invest in

534

00:18:54,470 --> 00:18:52,640

technology if all we want to do is go to

535

00:18:55,430 --> 00:18:54,480

the space station

536

00:18:57,590 --> 00:18:55,440

okay

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00:19:00,310 --> 00:18:57,600

or if all we want to do is stay in the

538

00:19:02,150 --> 00:19:00,320

general vicinity of the earth but as we

539

00:19:04,950 --> 00:19:02,160

start considering destinations like

540

00:19:07,110 --> 00:19:04,960

sending humans to an asteroid or in my

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00:19:09,750 --> 00:19:07,120

view the grand challenge of them all

542

00:19:11,750 --> 00:19:09,760

sending humans to the surface of mars

543

00:19:13,750 --> 00:19:11,760

technology development becomes very

544

00:19:16,710 --> 00:19:13,760

important and this slide from johnson

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00:19:18,870 --> 00:19:16,720

space center illustrates why

546

00:19:21,190 --> 00:19:18,880

what we have here on the y-axis is the

547

00:19:23,430 --> 00:19:21,200

amount of mass required at the beginning

548

00:19:27,029 --> 00:19:23,440

of the mission not on the ground but in

549

00:19:29,909 --> 00:19:27,039

low earth orbit okay so to start one

550

00:19:31,830 --> 00:19:29,919

human round trip human mars mission i

551  
00:19:33,510 --> 00:19:31,840  
need that amount of mass in low earth

552  
00:19:35,590 --> 00:19:33,520  
orbit i have to somehow lift it all up

553  
00:19:37,430 --> 00:19:35,600  
to low earth orbit the reason this slide

554  
00:19:39,510 --> 00:19:37,440  
i think is interesting is it's plotted

555  
00:19:41,110 --> 00:19:39,520  
in units of international space station

556  
00:19:41,909 --> 00:19:41,120  
maps

557  
00:19:43,990 --> 00:19:41,919  
okay

558  
00:19:46,150 --> 00:19:44,000  
so with current technology all the way

559  
00:19:50,710 --> 00:19:46,160  
on the left hand

560  
00:19:52,789 --> 00:19:50,720  
i need something like 12

561  
00:19:55,029 --> 00:19:52,799  
international space stations assembled

562  
00:19:56,390 --> 00:19:55,039  
in low earth orbit for one round-trip

563  
00:19:57,430 --> 00:19:56,400

mars mission

564

00:19:59,270 --> 00:19:57,440

okay

565

00:20:01,110 --> 00:19:59,280

i mean at that point should we even be

566

00:20:03,990 --> 00:20:01,120

having this dialogue

567

00:20:05,510 --> 00:20:04,000

i mean if i take this to congress i know

568

00:20:07,669 --> 00:20:05,520

i'll be thrown out of the room

569

00:20:09,590 --> 00:20:07,679

right and rightfully so

570

00:20:11,909 --> 00:20:09,600

okay but with an investment in

571

00:20:14,149 --> 00:20:11,919

technology i can bring the number of

572

00:20:16,470 --> 00:20:14,159

international space station masses

573

00:20:17,909 --> 00:20:16,480

down to something that approaches let's

574

00:20:19,990 --> 00:20:17,919

say two

575

00:20:23,510 --> 00:20:20,000

now two is still a grand challenge right

576

00:20:25,350 --> 00:20:23,520

it took us almost a decade to get to one

577

00:20:27,190 --> 00:20:25,360

on this axis

578

00:20:28,789 --> 00:20:27,200

uh but you have to also realize that

579

00:20:30,310 --> 00:20:28,799

about eighty percent of this mass is

580

00:20:31,350 --> 00:20:30,320

propellant

581

00:20:33,029 --> 00:20:31,360

okay

582

00:20:35,110 --> 00:20:33,039

and if we're fostering a commercial

583

00:20:37,510 --> 00:20:35,120

industry and if we're talking about

584

00:20:38,950 --> 00:20:37,520

propellant depots and in space resource

585

00:20:40,789 --> 00:20:38,960

utilization

586

00:20:43,190 --> 00:20:40,799

well then the fact that 80 percent of

587

00:20:45,430 --> 00:20:43,200

that mass is propellant really helps me

588

00:20:47,510 --> 00:20:45,440

and even if that doesn't come through

589

00:20:49,029 --> 00:20:47,520

if i get the the amount of mass required

590

00:20:50,230 --> 00:20:49,039

in low earth orbit down to something

591

00:20:52,710 --> 00:20:50,240

like two

592

00:20:54,630 --> 00:20:52,720

we can at least have a discussion about

593

00:20:56,630 --> 00:20:54,640

the possibility of one day sending

594

00:20:59,830 --> 00:20:56,640

humans to the service of mars

595

00:21:02,310 --> 00:20:59,840

as long as it's over 10 in my view an

596

00:21:04,630 --> 00:21:02,320

order of magnitude off

597

00:21:05,669 --> 00:21:04,640

it's out of our reach it's beyond our

598

00:21:07,830 --> 00:21:05,679

grasp

599

00:21:09,990 --> 00:21:07,840

okay and this to me

600

00:21:11,029 --> 00:21:10,000

graphically is the power of technology

601  
00:21:12,549 --> 00:21:11,039  
development

602  
00:21:13,830 --> 00:21:12,559  
the possibility

603  
00:21:16,070 --> 00:21:13,840  
now

604  
00:21:18,710 --> 00:21:16,080  
president obama when he spoke in florida

605  
00:21:21,590 --> 00:21:18,720  
on april 15th he laid out a set of

606  
00:21:23,750 --> 00:21:21,600  
destinations and a set of dates

607  
00:21:25,590 --> 00:21:23,760  
he talked about early crude missions of

608  
00:21:27,830 --> 00:21:25,600  
our new exploration system in the first

609  
00:21:29,909 --> 00:21:27,840  
part of the next decade he talked about

610  
00:21:31,430 --> 00:21:29,919  
humans going to a near-earth asteroid in

611  
00:21:34,230 --> 00:21:31,440  
2025

612  
00:21:36,149 --> 00:21:34,240  
orbiting mars in 2035 and returning

613  
00:21:38,789 --> 00:21:36,159

safely

614

00:21:41,430 --> 00:21:38,799

which i certainly would hope for

615

00:21:43,590 --> 00:21:41,440

and then he threw in which i greatly

616

00:21:45,990 --> 00:21:43,600

appreciate he threw in landing on the

617

00:21:47,830 --> 00:21:46,000

service at mars of mars at some point in

618

00:21:50,149 --> 00:21:47,840

the future but he didn't give a date he

619

00:21:51,510 --> 00:21:50,159

did say in his lifetime that's important

620

00:21:52,789 --> 00:21:51,520

to me because he and i are about the

621

00:21:55,750 --> 00:21:52,799

same age

622

00:21:57,669 --> 00:21:55,760

and i would very much like to see that

623

00:22:00,070 --> 00:21:57,679

so at a high level

624

00:22:02,950 --> 00:22:00,080

this is where we are in my view in the

625

00:22:05,510 --> 00:22:02,960

human space flight program

626  
00:22:08,470 --> 00:22:05,520  
in this decade what we're talking about

627  
00:22:10,870 --> 00:22:08,480  
is involving the commercial sector both

628  
00:22:13,430 --> 00:22:10,880  
in launch and in other ways

629  
00:22:15,029 --> 00:22:13,440  
we're talking about robotic precursors

630  
00:22:16,630 --> 00:22:15,039  
and we're talk we're talking about

631  
00:22:18,470 --> 00:22:16,640  
utilizing the international space

632  
00:22:21,510 --> 00:22:18,480  
station as the core

633  
00:22:23,830 --> 00:22:21,520  
of our human space flight program flying

634  
00:22:26,789 --> 00:22:23,840  
it out if you will through its full life

635  
00:22:29,270 --> 00:22:26,799  
of 2020 and potentially beyond and we're

636  
00:22:30,390 --> 00:22:29,280  
talking about technology development to

637  
00:22:32,470 --> 00:22:30,400  
enable

638  
00:22:34,470 --> 00:22:32,480

the systems development for the next

639

00:22:35,190 --> 00:22:34,480

human space flight system

640

00:22:39,029 --> 00:22:35,200

in

641

00:22:40,630 --> 00:22:39,039

frame

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00:22:44,470 --> 00:22:40,640

so that we can get

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00:22:47,029 --> 00:22:44,480

to a near-earth asteroid by 2025.

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00:22:48,630 --> 00:22:47,039

so in 2015 or so we're talking about the

645

00:22:51,110 --> 00:22:48,640

design and development of heavy lift

646

00:22:53,270 --> 00:22:51,120

systems and in-space capabilities that

647

00:22:55,430 --> 00:22:53,280

would allow us to achieve that mission

648

00:22:57,590 --> 00:22:55,440

with the operations for those missions

649

00:22:59,750 --> 00:22:57,600

in the first part of the next decade

650

00:23:03,590 --> 00:22:59,760

first in the earth vicinity and then

651  
00:23:04,789 --> 00:23:03,600  
eventually uh to a near earth asteroid

652  
00:23:07,110 --> 00:23:04,799  
now

653  
00:23:09,750 --> 00:23:07,120  
a lot has been said about our technology

654  
00:23:11,350 --> 00:23:09,760  
development program in the press right

655  
00:23:13,669 --> 00:23:11,360  
how do we know what technologies to

656  
00:23:15,590 --> 00:23:13,679  
invest in we don't have any goals

657  
00:23:17,110 --> 00:23:15,600  
well that's not true

658  
00:23:19,590 --> 00:23:17,120  
i mean it might make a good sound bite

659  
00:23:21,830 --> 00:23:19,600  
on the news but it's frankly not true we

660  
00:23:25,270 --> 00:23:21,840  
have goals the president clearly

661  
00:23:27,510 --> 00:23:25,280  
enunciated those goals on april 15th

662  
00:23:29,990 --> 00:23:27,520  
and what we also have at nasa is a great

663  
00:23:31,909 --> 00:23:30,000

team of people working right now through

664

00:23:33,909 --> 00:23:31,919

an activity called heft the human

665

00:23:35,830 --> 00:23:33,919

exploration frameworks team

666

00:23:37,510 --> 00:23:35,840

that's synthesizing all of the

667

00:23:40,149 --> 00:23:37,520

formulation work that's been done to

668

00:23:42,070 --> 00:23:40,159

date and putting in place an integrated

669

00:23:44,549 --> 00:23:42,080

plan those of you that know about the

670

00:23:46,070 --> 00:23:44,559

exploration systems architecture study

671

00:23:47,750 --> 00:23:46,080

the heft is doing

672

00:23:50,390 --> 00:23:47,760

what i would call something equivalent

673

00:23:51,590 --> 00:23:50,400

to that but for the flexible path

674

00:23:53,190 --> 00:23:51,600

approach

675

00:23:55,190 --> 00:23:53,200

and that is kind of illustrated on this

676  
00:23:56,310 --> 00:23:55,200  
slide right if we have a set of goals

677  
00:23:58,789 --> 00:23:56,320  
like we do

678  
00:24:00,070 --> 00:23:58,799  
an asteroid mission in 2025 going to

679  
00:24:04,549 --> 00:24:00,080  
mars

680  
00:24:06,149 --> 00:24:04,559  
surface after that from those goals we

681  
00:24:07,590 --> 00:24:06,159  
can develop mission architectures from

682  
00:24:09,909 --> 00:24:07,600  
those mission architectures we can

683  
00:24:11,750 --> 00:24:09,919  
develop flight system concepts from

684  
00:24:13,990 --> 00:24:11,760  
those flight system concepts we can

685  
00:24:15,750 --> 00:24:14,000  
develop the technologies required to

686  
00:24:17,909 --> 00:24:15,760  
enable those spacecraft to enable those

687  
00:24:18,710 --> 00:24:17,919  
missions to enable those goals it's a

688  
00:24:21,269 --> 00:24:18,720

nice

689

00:24:23,590 --> 00:24:21,279

requirements flow down kind of approach

690

00:24:25,350 --> 00:24:23,600

and this is the approach that esmd the

691

00:24:26,470 --> 00:24:25,360

exploration systems mission directorate

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00:24:28,390 --> 00:24:26,480

is using

693

00:24:29,830 --> 00:24:28,400

through the heft team this is not the

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00:24:32,070 --> 00:24:29,840

only way we're doing technology

695

00:24:34,070 --> 00:24:32,080

development but it is a big part of the

696

00:24:35,990 --> 00:24:34,080

plan right and it's

697

00:24:39,269 --> 00:24:36,000

organized in a very what you would call

698

00:24:41,029 --> 00:24:39,279

a systems engineering uh way

699

00:24:42,070 --> 00:24:41,039

this is what the team has come up with

700

00:24:43,669 --> 00:24:42,080

to date

701  
00:24:45,669 --> 00:24:43,679  
okay and i know that it's maybe harder

702  
00:24:46,549 --> 00:24:45,679  
to view in the back of the uh the room

703  
00:24:48,470 --> 00:24:46,559  
here

704  
00:24:50,870 --> 00:24:48,480  
but without going through each

705  
00:24:53,430 --> 00:24:50,880  
individual line i want you to notice a

706  
00:24:55,269 --> 00:24:53,440  
couple things one there are a lot of

707  
00:24:57,430 --> 00:24:55,279  
missions

708  
00:24:59,830 --> 00:24:57,440  
there are actually a lot of things

709  
00:25:02,789 --> 00:24:59,840  
in terms of sheer number there are a

710  
00:25:05,269 --> 00:25:02,799  
large number of technology development

711  
00:25:07,510 --> 00:25:05,279  
items that are going to go into space

712  
00:25:09,510 --> 00:25:07,520  
there are a large number of launches as

713  
00:25:11,590 --> 00:25:09,520

a result and there are a large number of

714

00:25:14,950 --> 00:25:11,600

mission operations

715

00:25:16,710 --> 00:25:14,960

opportunities as a result there are also

716

00:25:19,110 --> 00:25:16,720

a large number of hardware development

717

00:25:20,310 --> 00:25:19,120

opportunities to get these technologies

718

00:25:22,870 --> 00:25:20,320

ready

719

00:25:24,310 --> 00:25:22,880

and to develop them and fly them right

720

00:25:26,390 --> 00:25:24,320

whether we're talking about the human

721

00:25:29,350 --> 00:25:26,400

research program or the heavy lift

722

00:25:30,470 --> 00:25:29,360

program which has both a launch and an

723

00:25:31,750 --> 00:25:30,480

in-space

724

00:25:33,990 --> 00:25:31,760

component

725

00:25:36,310 --> 00:25:34,000

there are development opportunities this

726

00:25:38,630 --> 00:25:36,320

is not a technology program that is all

727

00:25:43,830 --> 00:25:41,029

you know playing in our academic labs

728

00:25:46,789 --> 00:25:43,840

this is a technology program that spans

729

00:25:49,909 --> 00:25:46,799

concepts ground and laboratory testing

730

00:25:53,909 --> 00:25:49,919

flight testing and testing in space

731

00:25:58,390 --> 00:25:56,390

now one last uh

732

00:25:59,830 --> 00:25:58,400

one last point on some of these missions

733

00:26:01,590 --> 00:25:59,840

there's also been a lot of talk about

734

00:26:03,430 --> 00:26:01,600

the need for these robotic precursor

735

00:26:05,590 --> 00:26:03,440

missions you know why do we need these

736

00:26:07,510 --> 00:26:05,600

robotic precursor missions we didn't you

737

00:26:09,669 --> 00:26:07,520

know really have that many robotic

738

00:26:11,909 --> 00:26:09,679

precursors before we sent the astronauts

739

00:26:13,190 --> 00:26:11,919

to the moon which by the way isn't true

740

00:26:18,549 --> 00:26:13,200

we did

741

00:26:23,990 --> 00:26:21,110

sure ranger would be another one yeah

742

00:26:26,230 --> 00:26:24,000

yeah so uh but here's here's my answer

743

00:26:28,310 --> 00:26:26,240

to that this is a very recent result uh

744

00:26:30,310 --> 00:26:28,320

this is not a robotic precursor mission

745

00:26:31,830 --> 00:26:30,320

by the way uh this is from the mars

746

00:26:33,430 --> 00:26:31,840

reconnaissance orbiter which is a

747

00:26:36,470 --> 00:26:33,440

science mission which has been circling

748

00:26:38,470 --> 00:26:36,480

mars for quite some time and what it uh

749

00:26:40,470 --> 00:26:38,480

mro has been there long enough

750

00:26:41,430 --> 00:26:40,480

that it has actually overflown the same

751  
00:26:43,590 --> 00:26:41,440  
region

752  
00:26:45,909 --> 00:26:43,600  
you know over a time period and it'll

753  
00:26:47,669 --> 00:26:45,919  
fly over this region and take an image

754  
00:26:49,430 --> 00:26:47,679  
and then fly over it say a few months

755  
00:26:51,029 --> 00:26:49,440  
later and take the same image at the

756  
00:26:53,029 --> 00:26:51,039  
same time of day

757  
00:26:55,029 --> 00:26:53,039  
and they'll see a drastic difference

758  
00:26:57,190 --> 00:26:55,039  
right look at the top two pictures and

759  
00:27:00,230 --> 00:26:57,200  
the amount of white that's present there

760  
00:27:02,310 --> 00:27:00,240  
and look at the bottom two pictures

761  
00:27:06,310 --> 00:27:02,320  
and the amount of white there

762  
00:27:09,269 --> 00:27:06,320  
what mro has uncovered is a very large

763  
00:27:11,669 --> 00:27:09,279

amount of ice water ice

764

00:27:14,630 --> 00:27:11,679

very close to the surface and by the way

765

00:27:16,310 --> 00:27:14,640

at mid-latitudes not near the poles at

766

00:27:19,510 --> 00:27:16,320

mid-latitudes this is roughly the

767

00:27:20,470 --> 00:27:19,520

latitude of uh boston let's say

768

00:27:22,630 --> 00:27:20,480

okay

769

00:27:25,110 --> 00:27:22,640

uh the ice layer is about

770

00:27:27,350 --> 00:27:25,120

a half to one meter below the surface

771

00:27:28,549 --> 00:27:27,360

this was totally unknown

772

00:27:31,190 --> 00:27:28,559

a year ago

773

00:27:33,669 --> 00:27:31,200

actually totally unknown six months ago

774

00:27:35,990 --> 00:27:33,679

right six months ago

775

00:27:37,830 --> 00:27:36,000

we were all talking about methane we

776

00:27:39,110 --> 00:27:37,840

need a methane in space engine why do we

777

00:27:40,230 --> 00:27:39,120

need a methane in space engine because

778

00:27:42,389 --> 00:27:40,240

we're going to go to mars and we can

779

00:27:44,389 --> 00:27:42,399

make methane you know out of the mars

780

00:27:45,510 --> 00:27:44,399

atmosphere and therefore we need that

781

00:27:47,430 --> 00:27:45,520

engine

782

00:27:49,269 --> 00:27:47,440

look at this water

783

00:27:50,789 --> 00:27:49,279

all of a sudden locks hydrogen's back in

784

00:27:53,110 --> 00:27:50,799

the picture

785

00:27:54,470 --> 00:27:53,120

seriously with its higher performance

786

00:27:56,389 --> 00:27:54,480

harder to store

787

00:27:57,990 --> 00:27:56,399

but higher performance

788

00:27:59,350 --> 00:27:58,000

this is the kind of thing and i'm not

789

00:28:00,789 --> 00:27:59,360

saying that you know we need to throw

790

00:28:02,389 --> 00:28:00,799

away all the methane plants that's not

791

00:28:04,310 --> 00:28:02,399

what i'm saying at all and go locks

792

00:28:07,269 --> 00:28:04,320

hydrogen i'm saying these are the kinds

793

00:28:09,029 --> 00:28:07,279

of discoveries that greatly affect the

794

00:28:11,510 --> 00:28:09,039

architecture that we will use to do

795

00:28:14,710 --> 00:28:11,520

human exploration and this is why we

796

00:28:15,750 --> 00:28:14,720

need robotic precursor missions

797

00:28:17,830 --> 00:28:15,760

so

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00:28:20,310 --> 00:28:17,840

to summarize the human exploration

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00:28:22,389 --> 00:28:20,320

program uh in the as contained in the

800

00:28:23,909 --> 00:28:22,399

president's fy 11 budget

801  
00:28:26,549 --> 00:28:23,919  
uh a couple points

802  
00:28:28,389 --> 00:28:26,559  
the goal of the program has not changed

803  
00:28:30,630 --> 00:28:28,399  
the goal of the program is to extend

804  
00:28:33,190 --> 00:28:30,640  
human presence beyond low earth orbit

805  
00:28:35,510 --> 00:28:33,200  
what has changed is the approach to

806  
00:28:37,590 --> 00:28:35,520  
accomplishing that goal the president's

807  
00:28:40,710 --> 00:28:37,600  
approach focuses on developing the

808  
00:28:43,029 --> 00:28:40,720  
technological capabilities required for

809  
00:28:45,269 --> 00:28:43,039  
humans to reach multiple destinations

810  
00:28:49,269 --> 00:28:45,279  
not just the moon but the moon and

811  
00:28:51,190 --> 00:28:49,279  
near-earth asteroids and eventually mars

812  
00:28:52,710 --> 00:28:51,200  
the investments that we hope to that we

813  
00:28:54,950 --> 00:28:52,720

plan to make

814

00:28:57,590 --> 00:28:54,960

are focused on gaining the knowledge

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00:28:59,909 --> 00:28:57,600

needed to inform our future

816

00:29:01,669 --> 00:28:59,919

architectural decisions and building the

817

00:29:04,230 --> 00:29:01,679

capabilities the technological

818

00:29:06,630 --> 00:29:04,240

capabilities required for humans to

819

00:29:09,750 --> 00:29:06,640

venture not just beyond low earth orbit

820

00:29:11,269 --> 00:29:09,760

but into deep space itself to leave the

821

00:29:13,350 --> 00:29:11,279

earth

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00:29:15,750 --> 00:29:13,360

right that's something we all

823

00:29:18,470 --> 00:29:15,760

i believe we all want

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00:29:20,630 --> 00:29:18,480

uh and in my view this approach will

825

00:29:23,110 --> 00:29:20,640

expand the alternatives that are

826

00:29:25,830 --> 00:29:23,120

possible through for human exploration

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00:29:27,590 --> 00:29:25,840

through timely strategic and significant

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00:29:29,029 --> 00:29:27,600

technology investment

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00:29:31,029 --> 00:29:29,039

now i talked to you about what we're

830

00:29:33,590 --> 00:29:31,039

doing in the human exploration program

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00:29:35,990 --> 00:29:33,600

before i end let me tell you what we're

832

00:29:38,389 --> 00:29:36,000

doing in the other parts of the

833

00:29:40,470 --> 00:29:38,399

technology development programs

834

00:29:42,230 --> 00:29:40,480

by the way i mentioned to you already i

835

00:29:44,710 --> 00:29:42,240

know you can't read this

836

00:29:46,870 --> 00:29:44,720

you just have to trust me on this one

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00:29:48,389 --> 00:29:46,880

um i i mentioned to you already that

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there were a whole bunch of external

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inputs that were made about the need to

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improve the research and technology

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00:29:56,789 --> 00:29:55,760

competency at nasa this is a list of

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them

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there are let's see one two three four

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nrc reports from

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there's an authorization act by congress

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in 2008 and then there's the augustine

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committee report they all say the same

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thing

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they all say that nasa has

851  
00:30:18,230 --> 00:30:15,840  
under-invested in research and

852  
00:30:19,990 --> 00:30:18,240  
technology by the way not just in the

853  
00:30:21,430 --> 00:30:20,000  
bush administration this is not about

854  
00:30:23,350 --> 00:30:21,440  
the bush administration versus the

855  
00:30:25,669 --> 00:30:23,360  
clinton versus the

856  
00:30:27,510 --> 00:30:25,679  
obama administration

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00:30:29,190 --> 00:30:27,520  
that's not what this is we've we've

858  
00:30:32,070 --> 00:30:29,200  
under-invested in research and

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00:30:33,750 --> 00:30:32,080  
technology for over a decade democrat

860  
00:30:35,669 --> 00:30:33,760  
and and republican

861  
00:30:37,909 --> 00:30:35,679  
administrations alike

862  
00:30:39,510 --> 00:30:37,919  
and that's what these reports cite

863  
00:30:42,870 --> 00:30:39,520

you're welcome to read into the details

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in these reports but they all talk about

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new ways that nasa should increase its

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technology focus they talk about

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spending something like 10 percent of

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nasa's budget on non-mission-focused

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technology

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00:30:58,230 --> 00:30:56,480

and there are and there are a number of

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reasons given for that

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so

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i'm the nasa chief technologist and one

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00:31:04,630 --> 00:31:03,679

of my responsibilities is to plan out

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00:31:06,870 --> 00:31:04,640

all

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00:31:08,310 --> 00:31:06,880  
of the nasa technology programs those

877  
00:31:10,710 --> 00:31:08,320  
within the mission

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00:31:12,710 --> 00:31:10,720  
directorates and the new technology

879  
00:31:15,190 --> 00:31:12,720  
program called the space technology

880  
00:31:17,430 --> 00:31:15,200  
program that's a brilliant name

881  
00:31:19,430 --> 00:31:17,440  
i didn't come up with it

882  
00:31:22,230 --> 00:31:19,440  
within my office the office of the chief

883  
00:31:24,310 --> 00:31:22,240  
technologist and here is a view

884  
00:31:25,350 --> 00:31:24,320  
of all of those technology programs

885  
00:31:26,950 --> 00:31:25,360  
together

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00:31:29,509 --> 00:31:26,960  
what i have at the top

887  
00:31:32,710 --> 00:31:29,519  
is the space technology program and what

888  
00:31:33,990 --> 00:31:32,720

i have uh on the bottom here

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is just

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exploration systems mission directorate

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as one example of a mission director you

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should realize that there's technology

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investments being made in science

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certainly an aero and an somd

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as well uh but for esmd these are the

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programs that they're formulating and

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across the bottom here i have technology

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readiness level right so trl of one your

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concept studies your system studies are

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all the way over here on the left

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00:32:03,830 --> 00:32:02,080  
and flight missions operational missions

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are over here on the right right our

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00:32:10,470 --> 00:32:07,440  
operational portfolio of missions

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00:32:13,430 --> 00:32:10,480  
uh within space technology there will be

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00:32:15,909 --> 00:32:13,440  
uh low trl programs we're gonna we're

906  
00:32:18,310 --> 00:32:15,919  
going to look broad and wide for the

907  
00:32:19,830 --> 00:32:18,320  
best ideas wherever those ideas may be

908  
00:32:21,430 --> 00:32:19,840  
we're going to look internal nasa we're

909  
00:32:23,269 --> 00:32:21,440  
going to look at academia we're going to

910  
00:32:25,190 --> 00:32:23,279  
look internationally we're going to look

911  
00:32:27,430 --> 00:32:25,200  
at at industry

912  
00:32:30,470 --> 00:32:27,440  
you may remember the nasa institute for

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00:32:32,789 --> 00:32:30,480

advanced concepts anybody remember that

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00:32:33,750 --> 00:32:32,799

okay it was around for a large number of

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years

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its budget was cut

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a few years ago partially to make room

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for constellation

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uh it was by the way it wasn't a in my

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00:32:46,630 --> 00:32:45,360

view it wasn't purposely cut it was just

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00:32:48,630 --> 00:32:46,640

out with the suite you know there was a

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sweeping done of all the technology

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programs at nasa at that time and the

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00:32:55,110 --> 00:32:53,440

niacc was eliminated along with a number

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of other things uh we're going to

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00:32:57,909 --> 00:32:56,480  
reinstate the niacc we're going to

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00:33:00,950 --> 00:32:57,919  
reinstate the nasa institute for

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00:33:03,269 --> 00:33:00,960  
advanced concepts that's one example of

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00:33:04,310 --> 00:33:03,279  
the kind of concept development program

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00:33:07,269 --> 00:33:04,320  
that we're going to have it's not the

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00:33:09,750 --> 00:33:07,279  
only one but it's just one example

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over here in the middle of the page

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00:33:15,430 --> 00:33:12,480  
we have what i call your mid

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00:33:17,669 --> 00:33:15,440  
trl kind of things your trl three four

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00:33:19,190 --> 00:33:17,679  
five kind of programs this is where all

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00:33:22,710 --> 00:33:19,200  
your ground-based testing your

937  
00:33:24,310 --> 00:33:22,720  
laboratory programs are going to be

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00:33:26,470 --> 00:33:24,320

you know i've done a lot of concept

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00:33:29,590 --> 00:33:26,480

studies in my life and i'll tell you on

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00:33:31,509 --> 00:33:29,600

paper they all look beautiful

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00:33:33,990 --> 00:33:31,519

and every time i get involved in a

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concept study there's only like this

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00:33:38,789 --> 00:33:36,559

this one little piece of physics right

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00:33:40,789 --> 00:33:38,799

that's holding it back if only i could

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00:33:42,470 --> 00:33:40,799

prove this little piece of physics work

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then the whole system

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would look great just like i've shown on

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00:33:48,310 --> 00:33:46,480

this in this system study well we're

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00:33:50,950 --> 00:33:48,320

going to go after those little pieces of

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00:33:53,269 --> 00:33:50,960

physics in these programs both within

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00:33:55,269 --> 00:33:53,279  
the mission directorates and within my

952  
00:33:56,470 --> 00:33:55,279  
office the office of the chief

953  
00:33:57,990 --> 00:33:56,480  
technologist

954  
00:34:00,470 --> 00:33:58,000  
and then we're going to take some of

955  
00:34:02,149 --> 00:34:00,480  
those things some of those uh

956  
00:34:03,990 --> 00:34:02,159  
pieces of physics that we prove in the

957  
00:34:05,430 --> 00:34:04,000  
lab prove that they are feasible and

958  
00:34:07,190 --> 00:34:05,440  
we're going to take them to flight and

959  
00:34:09,669 --> 00:34:07,200  
we're going to prove those technologies

960  
00:34:11,510 --> 00:34:09,679  
in a in a space environment now we've

961  
00:34:13,190 --> 00:34:11,520  
done this before right does anybody

962  
00:34:15,109 --> 00:34:13,200  
remember the

963  
00:34:17,190 --> 00:34:15,119

new millennium program

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00:34:18,310 --> 00:34:17,200

actually it still exists i believe it's

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00:34:21,589 --> 00:34:18,320

it's in its

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00:34:23,030 --> 00:34:21,599

last days uh but it still exists that it

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00:34:24,149 --> 00:34:23,040

was funded out of the science mission

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00:34:26,149 --> 00:34:24,159

directorate

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00:34:27,270 --> 00:34:26,159

and that is the closest thing that i can

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00:34:29,270 --> 00:34:27,280

think of

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00:34:31,669 --> 00:34:29,280

uh to one of these kinds of programs

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00:34:34,149 --> 00:34:31,679

where we're going to flight right so if

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00:34:36,790 --> 00:34:34,159

you want to think about past programs

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00:34:39,510 --> 00:34:36,800

this is a niacc-like program

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00:34:42,470 --> 00:34:39,520

this is like a fundamental arrow

976  
00:34:44,710 --> 00:34:42,480  
for space this is a space equivalent of

977  
00:34:46,629 --> 00:34:44,720  
the fundamental aeronautics program

978  
00:34:48,869 --> 00:34:46,639  
and then out here is the new millennium

979  
00:34:51,270 --> 00:34:48,879  
program now you might ask me well why do

980  
00:34:53,510 --> 00:34:51,280  
i have two parallel lines okay why do i

981  
00:34:55,669 --> 00:34:53,520  
have stuff shown both in the mission

982  
00:34:57,510 --> 00:34:55,679  
directorates and in this new program

983  
00:34:58,630 --> 00:34:57,520  
that i've called the space technology

984  
00:35:00,310 --> 00:34:58,640  
program in the office of the chief

985  
00:35:02,390 --> 00:35:00,320  
technologist and there's a really good

986  
00:35:04,069 --> 00:35:02,400  
reason for that

987  
00:35:06,310 --> 00:35:04,079  
the mission directors are doing what i

988  
00:35:07,750 --> 00:35:06,320

already discussed they have their goals

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00:35:09,829 --> 00:35:07,760

they have their architectures their

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00:35:11,670 --> 00:35:09,839

spacecraft and their technologies

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00:35:13,829 --> 00:35:11,680

they're doing what you might call a

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00:35:14,870 --> 00:35:13,839

requirements flow down approach

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00:35:16,470 --> 00:35:14,880

okay

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00:35:20,069 --> 00:35:16,480

but if we're talking about sending

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00:35:22,150 --> 00:35:20,079

humans to mars do we really want to bank

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00:35:24,390 --> 00:35:22,160

our whole human exploration architecture

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00:35:26,470 --> 00:35:24,400

on the specific technology that the

998

00:35:28,950 --> 00:35:26,480

mission directorates think is going to

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00:35:31,829 --> 00:35:28,960

pan out today or do we want to consider

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00:35:33,910 --> 00:35:31,839

some alternate approaches in parallel

1001  
00:35:36,150 --> 00:35:33,920  
and that's what we can do up here

1002  
00:35:37,829 --> 00:35:36,160  
in the space technology program i call

1003  
00:35:39,990 --> 00:35:37,839  
that disruptive

1004  
00:35:41,829 --> 00:35:40,000  
technology development or i call it

1005  
00:35:43,750 --> 00:35:41,839  
technology push

1006  
00:35:46,470 --> 00:35:43,760  
because these are technology investments

1007  
00:35:48,710 --> 00:35:46,480  
being made not because the next mission

1008  
00:35:50,630 --> 00:35:48,720  
is planning to use them but because if

1009  
00:35:52,630 --> 00:35:50,640  
they come through and some of them will

1010  
00:35:54,470 --> 00:35:52,640  
and by the way some of them won't

1011  
00:35:57,270 --> 00:35:54,480  
but if they come to fruition they'll

1012  
00:35:59,190 --> 00:35:57,280  
enable major advances in the way we

1013  
00:36:01,670 --> 00:35:59,200

approach our system

1014

00:36:05,589 --> 00:36:01,680

does anybody have uh

1015

00:36:08,550 --> 00:36:07,190

anybody

1016

00:36:10,710 --> 00:36:08,560

i got one

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00:36:12,710 --> 00:36:10,720

right who doesn't

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00:36:14,310 --> 00:36:12,720

10 years ago did you

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00:36:16,390 --> 00:36:14,320

very good no you're the smartest man in

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00:36:19,109 --> 00:36:16,400

the room

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00:36:20,470 --> 00:36:19,119

10 years ago did you have one 15 years

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00:36:23,030 --> 00:36:20,480

ago

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00:36:25,430 --> 00:36:23,040

i don't think so right we all can't we

1024

00:36:26,870 --> 00:36:25,440

can't put our cell phones down now self

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00:36:29,829 --> 00:36:26,880

i mean this is

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00:36:32,470 --> 00:36:29,839

not a space example okay but the cell

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00:36:34,470 --> 00:36:32,480

phones change the way we do business

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00:36:36,150 --> 00:36:34,480

they change the way we think uh the

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00:36:37,589 --> 00:36:36,160

internet is another example right my

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00:36:39,829 --> 00:36:37,599

kids don't actually understand that

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00:36:41,190 --> 00:36:39,839

there didn't used to be an internet

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00:36:43,030 --> 00:36:41,200

what do you mean there was no internet

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00:36:45,109 --> 00:36:43,040

you didn't always have google

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00:36:48,150 --> 00:36:45,119

right they just can't understand that

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00:36:51,109 --> 00:36:48,160

right it's changed the way we do things

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00:36:52,870 --> 00:36:51,119

well in my view some of the technologies

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00:36:54,790 --> 00:36:52,880

that we're going to pursue here

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00:36:56,390 --> 00:36:54,800

will change the way we approach human

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00:36:58,630 --> 00:36:56,400

exploration will change the way we

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00:37:00,790 --> 00:36:58,640

approach our science missions now once

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00:37:02,870 --> 00:37:00,800

again they won't all pan out and we have

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to be willing to accept that we're going

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00:37:07,750 --> 00:37:05,440

to take a lot of risk in this program

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00:37:09,109 --> 00:37:07,760

we're going to make our bets in a in an

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00:37:12,150 --> 00:37:09,119

informed manner

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um kind of like uh you know i assume

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that you're all in the thrift savings

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program or some program like that

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right

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i mean how do you decide what stocks to

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pick

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it's the same thing you you balance your

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00:37:25,910 --> 00:37:24,880

risk through a portfolio approach and

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00:37:28,710 --> 00:37:25,920

that's what we're going to do in the

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00:37:30,630 --> 00:37:28,720

space technology program

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00:37:31,910 --> 00:37:30,640

uh so here's kind of my view of how this

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is going to work

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00:37:35,589 --> 00:37:34,400

we're going to start with uh visions of

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00:37:36,790 --> 00:37:35,599

the future

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00:37:38,950 --> 00:37:36,800

thousands

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00:37:40,950 --> 00:37:38,960

of visions of the future these will come

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00:37:43,270 --> 00:37:40,960

from all over they'll come from within

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00:37:45,109 --> 00:37:43,280

nasa and from outside of nasa

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00:37:47,910 --> 00:37:45,119

uh there'll be paper studies systems

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00:37:50,390 --> 00:37:47,920

analyses technology assessments cost

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00:37:52,230 --> 00:37:50,400

benefit studies all right

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00:37:54,950 --> 00:37:52,240

they'll all have this little piece of

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00:37:57,430 --> 00:37:54,960

physics that needs to get proven before

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we can really accept them as science

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fact as opposed to science fiction right

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00:38:03,910 --> 00:38:02,560

in this part of the program that's what

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00:38:05,670 --> 00:38:03,920

we'll focus on we'll use our

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laboratories we'll use ground-based

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testing we'll use uh you know whatever

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we need to prove that that fundamental

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physics works and when it does

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we'll be over here and we'll take some

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00:38:19,430 --> 00:38:18,160

of those to flight readiness we'll take

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them to low earth orbit we'll do

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00:38:23,670 --> 00:38:21,280

atmospheric flight testing whatever it

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00:38:27,430 --> 00:38:23,680

takes for that particular technology to

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00:38:29,670 --> 00:38:27,440

be at trl6 so that a mission uh would be

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willing to adopt it and we'll then

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00:38:34,390 --> 00:38:32,400

infuse those technologies in our future

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00:38:36,230 --> 00:38:34,400

science and exploration missions but

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00:38:38,390 --> 00:38:36,240

we'll also infuse them in other

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00:38:42,230 --> 00:38:38,400

government agency missions and we'll

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00:38:44,470 --> 00:38:42,240

infuse them into industry

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00:38:45,349 --> 00:38:44,480

through this approach

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00:38:47,349 --> 00:38:45,359

now

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i can't just put out a call right it's

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going to this program by the way is

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00:38:52,630 --> 00:38:51,200

going to be largely competitive unlike

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the approaches in the mission

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00:38:55,829 --> 00:38:54,160

directorates right this is another

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00:38:57,990 --> 00:38:55,839

difference between the space technology

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00:38:59,670 --> 00:38:58,000

program which by the way you know office

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00:39:01,270 --> 00:38:59,680

of chief technologist is not a mission

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00:39:02,310 --> 00:39:01,280

directorates it's set up that way on

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00:39:04,630 --> 00:39:02,320

purpose

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00:39:08,630 --> 00:39:05,990

this will be done largely in a

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00:39:10,870 --> 00:39:08,640

competitive way be open to all best

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00:39:13,190 --> 00:39:10,880

ideas from wherever they may come but i

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00:39:15,270 --> 00:39:13,200

can't just put out a call and say hey

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00:39:16,470 --> 00:39:15,280

technology bring it on

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00:39:18,710 --> 00:39:16,480

what do you got you know any

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00:39:20,630 --> 00:39:18,720

technologies so instead what we're going

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to do is uh what you might call a grand

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challenge kind of approach and there is

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just got stood up

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does this kind of approach now by the

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way don't read too much into these words

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00:39:41,270 --> 00:39:39,760

here we're still working on this slide

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00:39:42,950 --> 00:39:41,280

this is i just wanted to put this up

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00:39:45,109 --> 00:39:42,960

here so you know i could talk to it and

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00:39:46,790 --> 00:39:45,119

give you an idea of what we're thinking

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00:39:48,230 --> 00:39:46,800

but we're going to come out with the

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00:39:49,910 --> 00:39:48,240

office of the chief technologist is

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00:39:50,950 --> 00:39:49,920

going to come out with a set of grand

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00:39:52,550 --> 00:39:50,960

challenges

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00:39:54,710 --> 00:39:52,560

we're not going to talk about

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00:39:56,950 --> 00:39:54,720

technological solutions we're going to

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00:39:59,990 --> 00:39:56,960

talk at the capability level

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00:40:02,150 --> 00:40:00,000

we want this capability by this date and

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00:40:04,630 --> 00:40:02,160

then we're going to put that out and

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nasa centers or academia or industry

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00:40:10,150 --> 00:40:08,160

will respond with a variety i believe of

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technological solutions to provide that

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00:40:15,190 --> 00:40:12,560

capability and we will fund several of

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00:40:17,829 --> 00:40:15,200

those for each grand challenge going

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00:40:19,589 --> 00:40:17,839

forward to a point that we can make an

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00:40:21,670 --> 00:40:19,599

informed decision

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00:40:24,150 --> 00:40:21,680

about which is the best technology to

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00:40:25,910 --> 00:40:24,160

take all the way to flight

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00:40:28,390 --> 00:40:25,920

i think i'll skip that one

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00:40:30,069 --> 00:40:28,400

uh here's a just an artist picture of

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00:40:31,829 --> 00:40:30,079

some of the kinds of things that might

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00:40:33,510 --> 00:40:31,839

come out of this program

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uh you know these are the kinds of

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technologies by the way that whether

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you've been doing science missions or

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whether you've been focused on human

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exploration you know you have wanted

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if you're an engineer

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you know you have wanted these systems

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for a long time

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right and we never seem to be able to

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get over the hump

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of uh funding these to the point that

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they're at a at a technology readiness

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level that the mission directorates will

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00:41:00,550 --> 00:40:58,400  
pick them up or that some other

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00:41:03,109 --> 00:41:00,560  
government agency will pick them up

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00:41:06,069 --> 00:41:03,119  
uh through the space technology program

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00:41:07,750 --> 00:41:06,079  
uh we have a means for doing so in fact

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00:41:09,430 --> 00:41:07,760  
we have a means to take things all the

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00:41:10,870 --> 00:41:09,440  
way from concept

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00:41:12,309 --> 00:41:10,880  
to flight

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00:41:14,550 --> 00:41:12,319  
which is something we've never had at

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00:41:17,109 --> 00:41:14,560  
nasa before on the technology side of

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00:41:23,030 --> 00:41:20,630  
okay so just to kind of sum things up

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00:41:24,630 --> 00:41:23,040

in my view

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and it is by the way this is you know

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everyone has a different opinion on this

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subject and i'll be the first to admit

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that

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but what the obama administration is

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really saying

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in its fy 11 budget requests for nasa

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is bigger than what the newspapers are

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reporting

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okay what the obama administration is

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really saying is that we're committed

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to research technology and innovation

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for the nation

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as a means of stimulating the economy

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that's really what they care about right

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they care about the economy and they

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care about preparing america to compete

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on the global stage technologically

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and they're allowing nasa by the way

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it's a great privilege

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you really need to think about this it's

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a great privilege they're allowing nasa

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to be part of this national strategy

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nasa's not always part of the nation

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strategy sometimes it's kind of you know

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off on the side doing its own thing

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this administration the obama

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administration is cl by giving nasa a

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budget increase and

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turning it towards more of a research

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and technology focused is saying that

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nasa you're a part of this national

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initiative

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so the nasa budget request is really

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aligned with this national strategy

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right and once again the renewed

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emphasis on technology

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00:42:45,829 --> 00:42:43,839  
uh by the way which has been suggested

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00:42:47,190 --> 00:42:45,839  
over and over again by a number of

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00:42:49,990 --> 00:42:47,200  
external groups

1204  
00:42:52,150 --> 00:42:50,000  
is really in my view a rebalancing of

1205  
00:42:53,990 --> 00:42:52,160  
nasa's three fundamental core

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00:42:56,309 --> 00:42:54,000  
competencies that have really always

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00:42:57,750 --> 00:42:56,319  
been in existence

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uh now

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what this will do for nasa in my view is

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00:43:03,510 --> 00:43:01,520  
it will provide

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uh a much more

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00:43:09,190 --> 00:43:06,560  
likely set and a much more exciting set

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of potential futures for our science and

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exploration missions okay it'll