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00:00:09,410 --> 00:00:04,660

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00:00:10,700 --> 00:00:09,420

office of communications welcome to the

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00:00:12,110 --> 00:00:10,710

10th anniversary of the International

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00:00:14,390 --> 00:00:12,120

Space Station discussion and NASA

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00:00:16,580 --> 00:00:14,400

headquarters in Washington on November

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00:00:17,990 --> 00:00:16,590

second 2000 the crew of expedition one

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00:00:20,060 --> 00:00:18,000

became the first residence of the

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00:00:22,460 --> 00:00:20,070

National Space Station since then over

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00:00:25,010 --> 00:00:22,470

two hundred visitors have explored the

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00:00:29,089 --> 00:00:25,020

International Space Station we've had 15

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00:00:32,359 --> 00:00:29,099

countries contributed modules and

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00:00:33,710 --> 00:00:32,369

hardware and 600 experiments have been

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00:00:36,709 --> 00:00:33,720

conducted over 60 our experiment

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00:00:38,660 --> 00:00:36,719
conducted on the complex on this Tuesday

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00:00:40,459 --> 00:00:38,670
we're going to be celebrating 10 years

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00:00:42,110 --> 00:00:40,469
of permanent human residency aboard the

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00:00:44,090 --> 00:00:42,120
complex here today discuss that

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00:00:49,130 --> 00:00:44,100
milestone is the associate minister for

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00:00:50,630 --> 00:00:49,140
space operations bill Gerstenmaier the

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00:00:52,549 --> 00:00:50,640
associate administrator for independent

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00:00:53,509 --> 00:00:52,559
program and cost evaluation and the

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00:00:58,639 --> 00:00:53,519
former deputy associate administrator

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00:01:00,380 --> 00:00:58,649
for Space Station my cause deputy

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00:01:04,910 --> 00:01:00,390
Associate Minister for space operations

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00:01:06,380 --> 00:01:04,920
Lynn Klein and the associate assistant

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00:01:09,289 --> 00:01:06,390

associate administrator for a National

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00:01:10,760 --> 00:01:09,299

Space Station marker and I'm going to

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00:01:12,289 --> 00:01:10,770

start off by asking the panelist a few

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00:01:14,749 --> 00:01:12,299

questions and we'll take questions from

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00:01:16,219 --> 00:01:14,759

the audience later in the program this

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00:01:17,929 --> 00:01:16,229

question is really for all of you but

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00:01:19,550 --> 00:01:17,939

we'll start off with mark how did you

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00:01:23,050 --> 00:01:19,560

first become involved with space station

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00:01:26,090 --> 00:01:23,060

and how has your role since involved I

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see it was 1984 and i was involved in

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00:01:31,940 --> 00:01:29,430

the renewable energy industry when OPEC

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00:01:35,300 --> 00:01:31,950

lost its cartel power and I got an

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00:01:36,980 --> 00:01:35,310

assignment to do a workshop research

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00:01:38,480 --> 00:01:36,990

requirements for the space station this

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00:01:41,270 --> 00:01:38,490

was back in the very beginning of Phase

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00:01:44,149 --> 00:01:41,280

I and I basically worked on those

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00:01:46,190 --> 00:01:44,159

requirements for a decade and then as

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00:01:47,870 --> 00:01:46,200

the program became operational and we

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00:01:51,440 --> 00:01:47,880

started actually implementing the

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00:01:53,480 --> 00:01:51,450

research I became involved in developing

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00:01:55,130 --> 00:01:53,490

the uses of the station as a National

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00:02:00,020 --> 00:01:55,140

Laboratory and that brings us up to

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00:02:02,300 --> 00:02:00,030

today yeah well when we started the

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00:02:04,160 --> 00:02:02,310

space station program I was actually

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00:02:06,319 --> 00:02:04,170

working on space and earth science

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00:02:07,669 --> 00:02:06,329
activities but I was carpooling with

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00:02:10,550 --> 00:02:07,679
somebody who is on the space station

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00:02:12,890 --> 00:02:10,560
negotiating team so my initial role in

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00:02:14,660 --> 00:02:12,900
space station was vicariously hearing on

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00:02:15,670 --> 00:02:14,670
the way home all the stories on what was

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00:02:18,699 --> 00:02:15,680
going on

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00:02:21,610 --> 00:02:18,709
my own personal role began began when we

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00:02:23,830 --> 00:02:21,620
invited Russia to join the program and

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00:02:25,839 --> 00:02:23,840
the my first job on the International

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00:02:27,940 --> 00:02:25,849
Space Station was to work with our

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00:02:30,849 --> 00:02:27,950
original partners Canada Europe and

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00:02:32,979 --> 00:02:30,859
Japan and negotiate the joint invitation

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00:02:35,530 --> 00:02:32,989

to formally through diplomatic channels

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00:02:37,240 --> 00:02:35,540

invite Russia to join the program and

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00:02:39,280 --> 00:02:37,250

then I was asked to lead the

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00:02:41,830 --> 00:02:39,290

negotiations to bring Russia into the

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00:02:44,140 --> 00:02:41,840

program and it's changed over time

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00:02:45,940 --> 00:02:44,150

because at that point I was always

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00:02:47,679 --> 00:02:45,950

involved in the front end of programs

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00:02:50,589 --> 00:02:47,689

just putting in place partnerships and

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00:02:52,539 --> 00:02:50,599

now I find myself on the other end in a

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00:02:54,399 --> 00:02:52,549

program office where we're responsible

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00:02:57,099 --> 00:02:54,409

for implementing those things that we

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00:03:00,580 --> 00:02:57,109

put into the agreements years ago okay

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00:03:05,770 --> 00:03:00,590

great Mike I was at Johnson Space Center

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00:03:07,780 --> 00:03:05,780

and in 1986 working within the mission

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00:03:10,509 --> 00:03:07,790

ops Directorate gene Kranz decided that

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00:03:12,789 --> 00:03:10,519

I needed to try something new and assign

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00:03:14,789 --> 00:03:12,799

me to one of a group of space station

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00:03:17,979 --> 00:03:14,799

sections that we set up an mo d and that

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00:03:19,629 --> 00:03:17,989

got me started and then I spent all six

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00:03:23,740 --> 00:03:19,639

years of their arrested and freedom

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00:03:25,659 --> 00:03:23,750

program office and downtown and you know

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00:03:27,819 --> 00:03:25,669

up until when I left space ops a couple

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00:03:31,899 --> 00:03:27,829

years ago to do all the cross agency

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00:03:36,189 --> 00:03:31,909

stuff in ipce I've spent a lawful lot of

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00:03:39,520 --> 00:03:36,199

time on Space Station okay I actually

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00:03:42,729 --> 00:03:39,530

started with space station in 1989 down

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00:03:44,800 --> 00:03:42,739

at the Johnson Space Center my job was I

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00:03:47,140 --> 00:03:44,810

was on the shuttle side and our job was

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00:03:49,030 --> 00:03:47,150

essentially to figure out how to put

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00:03:51,969 --> 00:03:49,040

together space station in the very

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00:03:53,949 --> 00:03:51,979

beginning it started out with the trust

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00:03:56,439 --> 00:03:53,959

being actually built itself from scratch

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00:03:58,179 --> 00:03:56,449

we call it sticks and balls Space

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00:03:59,589 --> 00:03:58,189

Station where we actually assembled the

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00:04:01,659 --> 00:03:59,599

various we're going to assemble the

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00:04:03,580 --> 00:04:01,669

various trust members and actually

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00:04:05,499 --> 00:04:03,590

string the wiring in the trust and then

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00:04:07,270 --> 00:04:05,509

actually put all the electronics and

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00:04:09,759 --> 00:04:07,280
avionics components in the trust so that

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00:04:12,249 --> 00:04:09,769
was the first activity i had and

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00:04:14,259 --> 00:04:12,259
supported it in 1989 and then then we

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00:04:15,819 --> 00:04:14,269
went to pre-integrated trusts and and

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00:04:18,819 --> 00:04:15,829
then I continued to work with the

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00:04:20,349 --> 00:04:18,829
program until nineteen ninety two then I

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00:04:22,420 --> 00:04:20,359
went away to school when the Russians

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00:04:25,839 --> 00:04:22,430
got added then I came back to the

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00:04:27,530 --> 00:04:25,849
shuttle program I guess after I got back

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00:04:30,410 --> 00:04:27,540
from school and

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00:04:32,750 --> 00:04:30,420
then eventually became deputy station

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00:04:35,060 --> 00:04:32,760
program manager at the end so I was

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00:04:38,150 --> 00:04:35,070

there put together most of the original

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00:04:39,530 --> 00:04:38,160

assembly sequences that were used prior

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00:04:41,390 --> 00:04:39,540

to the addition to the Russians and

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00:04:43,160 --> 00:04:41,400

somehow those assembly sequences really

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00:04:45,560 --> 00:04:43,170

held together throughout the entire

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00:04:47,210 --> 00:04:45,570

period and I got to see him actually get

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00:04:49,460 --> 00:04:47,220

implemented by the shuttle team and in

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00:04:50,900 --> 00:04:49,470

later years so I've been kind of on and

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00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:50,910

off the program between shuttle and

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00:04:53,690 --> 00:04:52,800

station throughout the entire period of

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00:04:56,330 --> 00:04:53,700

time I wasn't there from the very

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00:04:58,970 --> 00:04:56,340

beginning but started in 1989 I think

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00:05:03,110 --> 00:04:58,980

right after Mike in his area town of

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00:05:04,250 --> 00:05:03,120

Johnson right in 1984 then President

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00:05:06,890 --> 00:05:04,260

Ronald Reagan announced the development

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00:05:08,480 --> 00:05:06,900

of a permanent manned space station how

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00:05:10,910 --> 00:05:08,490

have we gone and which was dub Space

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00:05:12,800 --> 00:05:10,920

Station freedom how have we gone from

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00:05:14,870 --> 00:05:12,810

freedom to where we are today with

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00:05:16,580 --> 00:05:14,880

international space station how did that

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00:05:18,320 --> 00:05:16,590

process happen and how was the station

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00:05:21,500 --> 00:05:18,330

different today it's originally

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00:05:23,920 --> 00:05:21,510

conceived we all take the first shot and

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00:05:25,940 --> 00:05:23,930

see where folks want to go with it so

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00:05:31,220 --> 00:05:25,950

fundamentally we worked on Space Station

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00:05:32,990 --> 00:05:31,230

freedom once we establish the rest in

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00:05:35,300 --> 00:05:33,000

program office as March that has started

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00:05:39,320 --> 00:05:35,310

in phase a actually in that 84 timeframe

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00:05:41,420 --> 00:05:39,330

so for maybe four till about 92 and we

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00:05:43,610 --> 00:05:41,430

were working with the Japanese the

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00:05:46,310 --> 00:05:43,620

Europeans and the Canadians as partners

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00:05:49,730 --> 00:05:46,320

already in the endeavor when we went

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00:05:51,170 --> 00:05:49,740

through the redesign in 92 93 we were

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00:05:52,840 --> 00:05:51,180

then asked to look at adding the

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00:05:56,360 --> 00:05:52,850

Russians to the configuration that

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00:05:59,060 --> 00:05:56,370

allowed us to simplify some of the u.s.

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00:06:03,350 --> 00:05:59,070

capabilities we no longer had us

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00:06:04,460 --> 00:06:03,360

propulsion for an example but it it was

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00:06:07,400 --> 00:06:04,470
an incredible learning experience

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00:06:09,590 --> 00:06:07,410
because that 10 years that we had spent

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00:06:12,380 --> 00:06:09,600
with the other partners kind of forming

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00:06:14,030 --> 00:06:12,390
a team and agreeing on technical

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00:06:16,580 --> 00:06:14,040
standards for all of these different

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00:06:17,660 --> 00:06:16,590
functions we now had to figure out how

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00:06:21,320 --> 00:06:17,670
to do that very quickly with the

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00:06:22,630 --> 00:06:21,330
Russians the main trust backbone and

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00:06:25,310 --> 00:06:22,640
everything of the space station is

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00:06:27,110 --> 00:06:25,320
pretty much as it's been since the

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00:06:29,390 --> 00:06:27,120
earlier so a lot of the configuration is

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00:06:32,240 --> 00:06:29,400
pretty much as we had planned it since

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00:06:34,070 --> 00:06:32,250

the earliest time how about the missions

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00:06:36,470 --> 00:06:34,080

I've read things before the freedom was

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00:06:37,580 --> 00:06:36,480

supposed to service satellites and do

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00:06:38,990 --> 00:06:37,590

some things that the space station now

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00:06:39,950 --> 00:06:39,000

does and how has that changed why did

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00:06:43,290 --> 00:06:39,960

that change

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00:06:44,970 --> 00:06:43,300

is any well there were originally eight

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00:06:47,730 --> 00:06:44,980

missions for the space station

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00:06:49,740 --> 00:06:47,740

envisioned and I would argue that today

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00:06:51,510 --> 00:06:49,750

we really see the remnants of all eight

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00:06:54,540 --> 00:06:51,520

of those missions and even satellite

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00:06:56,850 --> 00:06:54,550

servicing the technology's changed so

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00:06:58,440 --> 00:06:56,860

dramatically over 25 years that there

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00:07:00,630 --> 00:06:58,450

are opportunities to do things

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00:07:03,090 --> 00:07:00,640

differently than they were envisioned 20

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00:07:05,850 --> 00:07:03,100

years ago so you know we're starting to

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00:07:08,100 --> 00:07:05,860

look at deployments and retrievals of

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00:07:10,800 --> 00:07:08,110

potentially nano satellites from the

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00:07:12,930 --> 00:07:10,810

station we're looking at satellite

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00:07:14,850 --> 00:07:12,940

servicing demonstrations on the station

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00:07:18,020 --> 00:07:14,860

so many of the original eight missions

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00:07:20,580 --> 00:07:18,030

are still applicable in varying degrees

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00:07:22,500 --> 00:07:20,590

Liana folks tended to associate those

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00:07:24,900 --> 00:07:22,510

missions with a unique component of the

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00:07:26,460 --> 00:07:24,910

space station so during redesigns as

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00:07:29,580 --> 00:07:26,470

those components may have been deleted

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00:07:31,560 --> 00:07:29,590

or changed a lot of folks presumed that

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00:07:35,550 --> 00:07:31,570

that mission was no longer supported but

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00:07:37,530 --> 00:07:35,560

I really agree with mark I see ability

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00:07:39,710 --> 00:07:37,540

to do pieces of all of those missions in

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00:07:42,540 --> 00:07:39,720

the space station that we have today

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00:07:43,800 --> 00:07:42,550

today there's 15 partner nations to

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00:07:45,840 --> 00:07:43,810

contribute International Space Station

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00:07:47,070 --> 00:07:45,850

Lynn could you explain with the process

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00:07:49,110 --> 00:07:47,080

how that came to be and how the

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00:07:51,210 --> 00:07:49,120

agreements were put together well we

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00:07:53,010 --> 00:07:51,220

already had a lot of experience on the

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00:07:55,110 --> 00:07:53,020

shuttle with what I'll call our

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00:07:59,010 --> 00:07:55,120
traditional partners Canada Europe and

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00:08:01,290 --> 00:07:59,020
Japan and with Canada we had the remote

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00:08:03,480 --> 00:08:01,300
manipulator system on the arm on the

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00:08:06,930 --> 00:08:03,490
shuttle with Europe we had the space lab

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00:08:10,680 --> 00:08:06,940
experience Japan had not contributed an

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00:08:12,180 --> 00:08:10,690
element to the shuttle and so when we

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00:08:15,120 --> 00:08:12,190
started talking with them they were very

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00:08:18,000 --> 00:08:15,130
interested in doing so in our next human

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00:08:20,730 --> 00:08:18,010
space flight endeavour so we had looked

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00:08:22,710 --> 00:08:20,740
at what were our past experiences what

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00:08:27,060 --> 00:08:22,720
were their capabilities we had studies

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00:08:28,860 --> 00:08:27,070
going on for years on what we might come

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00:08:31,260 --> 00:08:28,870

up with in terms of a design and what

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00:08:34,050 --> 00:08:31,270

partners wanted to do so we really knew

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00:08:35,969 --> 00:08:34,060

who those partners were going to be when

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00:08:37,650 --> 00:08:35,979

the when the program was announced and

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00:08:40,560 --> 00:08:37,660

then we had to go through the formal

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process to to invite them and work the

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negotiations but it was really built on

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00:08:49,580 --> 00:08:46,150

a long history of collaboration with

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would add and I think that the thing

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that's kind of interesting about all

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this histories we look back is we put

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together a basic framework from both the

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hardware standpoint and even from a like

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00:09:03,920 --> 00:09:01,200

an international partner standpoint that

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00:09:06,230 --> 00:09:03,930

was pretty flexible so as things changed

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and missions change the hardware was

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00:09:10,820 --> 00:09:08,310

able to adapt to a kind of a changing

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00:09:13,580 --> 00:09:10,830

mission a changing role the the

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00:09:15,200 --> 00:09:13,590

agreements the mo used the the

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00:09:17,450 --> 00:09:15,210

intergovernmental agreements those

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00:09:19,400 --> 00:09:17,460

things they're flexible enough that we

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00:09:21,170 --> 00:09:19,410

could adapt those and morph those as we

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00:09:22,520 --> 00:09:21,180

added other partners and we did things

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that weren't really envisioned in the

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00:09:25,940 --> 00:09:24,300

beginning but they gave us enough of a

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00:09:28,070 --> 00:09:25,950

structure that we could hang together as

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00:09:31,940 --> 00:09:28,080

a team and continue to move forward so I

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think the big kind of lesson learned is

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that you when you start out a project is

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make sure you got the right flexibility

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inherent in the design because you may

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not end up with exactly what you

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envisioned when you first put the

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00:09:44,360 --> 00:09:42,270

concept together but you need that

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00:09:47,090 --> 00:09:44,370

framework put together that you can

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00:09:48,890 --> 00:09:47,100

operate in it in a different way yeah

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00:09:51,400 --> 00:09:48,900

one of the interesting things to me is

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00:09:53,990 --> 00:09:51,410

when we started design and development

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00:09:55,910 --> 00:09:54,000
we operated under a structure that we

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00:10:00,200 --> 00:09:55,920
referred to as being bilateral where it

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00:10:02,600 --> 00:10:00,210
was the us to Japan the u.s. to east of

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00:10:05,600 --> 00:10:02,610
the US to canada and then ultimately

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00:10:07,490 --> 00:10:05,610
russia and that was to try to ensure

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00:10:09,410 --> 00:10:07,500
that we weren't in each other's critical

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00:10:11,030 --> 00:10:09,420
path and we always envisioned that we

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00:10:13,250 --> 00:10:11,040
would get to this operational time frame

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00:10:16,040 --> 00:10:13,260
that would be fully multilateral where

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00:10:17,810 --> 00:10:16,050
the full team was working together and I

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00:10:19,340 --> 00:10:17,820
remember going through those years and

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00:10:22,220 --> 00:10:19,350
never thinking we were ever going to get

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00:10:24,710 --> 00:10:22,230

to that multilateral point and that's

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00:10:26,090 --> 00:10:24,720

what we do every day now I mean that's

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00:10:27,950 --> 00:10:26,100

what gerse does every day that's what

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00:10:30,560 --> 00:10:27,960

the mission management team does every

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00:10:32,420 --> 00:10:30,570

day is work in that fully multilateral

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00:10:34,790 --> 00:10:32,430

mode with all partners present all

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00:10:38,750 --> 00:10:34,800

partners work in their issues and coming

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00:10:40,880 --> 00:10:38,760

up with totally joint solutions did the

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00:10:42,740 --> 00:10:40,890

ideas that the the development change or

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00:10:45,440 --> 00:10:42,750

did the structure change at all when you

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00:10:46,730 --> 00:10:45,450

decided to make Russia a partner in the

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00:10:47,810 --> 00:10:46,740

space stations I know originally wasn't

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00:10:49,040 --> 00:10:47,820

conceived they weren't originally

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00:10:51,530 --> 00:10:49,050

conceived to be a partner of space

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00:10:55,430 --> 00:10:51,540

station what changed when they became

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00:10:57,770 --> 00:10:55,440

involved from a physical configuration

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00:10:59,360 --> 00:10:57,780

like I said we dropped propulsion

280

00:11:03,410 --> 00:10:59,370

modules that we had planned on the US

281

00:11:05,180 --> 00:11:03,420

side we we went to a different module

282

00:11:08,330 --> 00:11:05,190

configuration we used to have what we

283

00:11:11,210 --> 00:11:08,340

call a racetrack configuration of nodes

284

00:11:13,670 --> 00:11:11,220

in the lab and have idols and we

285

00:11:17,770 --> 00:11:13,680

incorporated what the Russians felt that

286

00:11:19,970 --> 00:11:17,780

they could contribute to the program and

287

00:11:22,250 --> 00:11:19,980

worked on what that central core

288

00:11:26,870 --> 00:11:22,260

configuration was with the FGB and then

289

00:11:29,960 --> 00:11:26,880

the service module provided through the

290

00:11:31,250 --> 00:11:29,970

Russians and so we had to do some things

291

00:11:32,450 --> 00:11:31,260

in the interfaces that were a little

292

00:11:36,410 --> 00:11:32,460

different than we did with the other

293

00:11:38,210 --> 00:11:36,420

partners but we did bring the Russians

294

00:11:40,100 --> 00:11:38,220

into that full multilateral partnership

295

00:11:41,930 --> 00:11:40,110

still had some aspects of the

296

00:11:44,830 --> 00:11:41,940

relationship which were bilateral and

297

00:11:47,810 --> 00:11:44,840

others that were fully multilateral

298

00:11:50,270 --> 00:11:47,820

another thing that changed was a partner

299

00:11:51,980 --> 00:11:50,280

roles in transportation so in the

300

00:11:53,840 --> 00:11:51,990

original agreements it always had

301
00:11:56,210 --> 00:11:53,850
provided that other partners could bring

302
00:11:58,580 --> 00:11:56,220
their their transportation systems up to

303
00:12:01,490 --> 00:11:58,590
the station but when we brought Russia

304
00:12:04,160 --> 00:12:01,500
into the program Europe and Japan also

305
00:12:06,500 --> 00:12:04,170
asked for a greater role for their

306
00:12:09,350 --> 00:12:06,510
transportation systems and so we ended

307
00:12:11,510 --> 00:12:09,360
up as we renegotiated the agreements

308
00:12:14,360 --> 00:12:11,520
putting in offset arrangements to use

309
00:12:17,780 --> 00:12:14,370
the aryan and the h2 for the cargo

310
00:12:20,180 --> 00:12:17,790
capability and reboost things like that

311
00:12:22,270 --> 00:12:20,190
and those were to offset their common

312
00:12:25,460 --> 00:12:22,280
systems operations costs that were also

313
00:12:27,170 --> 00:12:25,470

always there in the agreement but there

314

00:12:29,450 --> 00:12:27,180

was a preference for trading goods and

315

00:12:32,960 --> 00:12:29,460

services rather than paying in cash and

316

00:12:35,270 --> 00:12:32,970

so cementing those into specific

317

00:12:37,190 --> 00:12:35,280

obligations in the agreement that

318

00:12:39,650 --> 00:12:37,200

changed when we went through that second

319

00:12:40,970 --> 00:12:39,660

round of negotiations and obviously

320

00:12:43,100 --> 00:12:40,980

without the Russians we had no

321

00:12:44,870 --> 00:12:43,110

alternative crew transport to the space

322

00:12:47,300 --> 00:12:44,880

station it was all envisioned on the

323

00:12:49,490 --> 00:12:47,310

space shuttle and before there was the

324

00:12:51,290 --> 00:12:49,500

space station there was the Russian

325

00:12:54,470 --> 00:12:51,300

space station Mir did we learning

326
00:12:56,150 --> 00:12:54,480
lessons from you know the over a decade

327
00:12:57,530 --> 00:12:56,160
of use of space the space station Mir

328
00:13:01,040 --> 00:12:57,540
before the space station was developed

329
00:13:03,110 --> 00:13:01,050
and implemented I think the face one

330
00:13:05,440 --> 00:13:03,120
program we had where we actually used

331
00:13:07,700 --> 00:13:05,450
the shuttle to go to mirror was

332
00:13:08,990 --> 00:13:07,710
unbelievably beneficial for us and

333
00:13:10,310 --> 00:13:09,000
learning how to operate with the

334
00:13:13,220 --> 00:13:10,320
Russians and how to operate

335
00:13:15,020 --> 00:13:13,230
long-duration spaceflight you know we

336
00:13:16,879 --> 00:13:15,030
were very good at shuttle missions you

337
00:13:19,789 --> 00:13:16,889
know a week or two weeks of varied

338
00:13:21,889 --> 00:13:19,799

dedicated very focused activities we had

339

00:13:24,590 --> 00:13:21,899

not had much experience at doing long

340

00:13:26,900 --> 00:13:24,600

duration multiple month activities and

341

00:13:28,340 --> 00:13:26,910

we were fairly inexperienced in some of

342

00:13:30,169 --> 00:13:28,350

that so I think we learned a lot from

343

00:13:32,059 --> 00:13:30,179

the Russians and our inter phase one

344

00:13:35,239 --> 00:13:32,069

program that we carried in to the

345

00:13:37,069 --> 00:13:35,249

station operations piece I think the

346

00:13:39,199 --> 00:13:37,079

mirror also benefited tremendously from

347

00:13:40,970 --> 00:13:39,209

the shuttle being there I think mayor's

348

00:13:42,619 --> 00:13:40,980

life was actually extended by the fact

349

00:13:45,109 --> 00:13:42,629

that we had the ability to bring large

350

00:13:47,869 --> 00:13:45,119

components up to up to mirror and return

351
00:13:49,549 --> 00:13:47,879
components from mere down so I think it

352
00:13:51,559 --> 00:13:49,559
was a good learning experience that also

353
00:13:53,329 --> 00:13:51,569
allowed us to learn to work bilaterally

354
00:13:55,159 --> 00:13:53,339
with the Russians I think it would have

355
00:13:56,780 --> 00:13:55,169
been tough to step right up to space

356
00:13:59,689 --> 00:13:56,790
station operations without some

357
00:14:02,239 --> 00:13:59,699
experience of operating with them on the

358
00:14:03,949 --> 00:14:02,249
MIR program so it was kind of a it was a

359
00:14:05,749 --> 00:14:03,959
good chance for us to learn developed

360
00:14:07,849 --> 00:14:05,759
techniques and learn to operate together

361
00:14:10,220 --> 00:14:07,859
bilaterally and then get ready to move

362
00:14:11,869 --> 00:14:10,230
in to the station stuff and what Mike

363
00:14:14,119 --> 00:14:11,879

brought up was very interesting you know

364

00:14:15,889 --> 00:14:14,129

we worked pretty strongly bilaterally

365

00:14:17,869 --> 00:14:15,899

with the Russians because the FGB was

366

00:14:19,400 --> 00:14:17,879

there our modules were there you know

367

00:14:21,169 --> 00:14:19,410

then we started bringing up the other

368

00:14:23,150 --> 00:14:21,179

partner modules Columbus and the

369

00:14:24,889 --> 00:14:23,160

Japanese and then we had to add them in

370

00:14:26,720 --> 00:14:24,899

and then that really forced us to start

371

00:14:28,549 --> 00:14:26,730

really working in a true multilateral

372

00:14:31,519 --> 00:14:28,559

environment but I don't think we could

373

00:14:33,739 --> 00:14:31,529

have gotten there as easily it really

374

00:14:35,569 --> 00:14:33,749

helped to do the bilateral pieces first

375

00:14:36,979 --> 00:14:35,579

and establish those relationships that

376

00:14:38,720 --> 00:14:36,989

you had something to build off before

377

00:14:42,799 --> 00:14:38,730

you step to the more integrated

378

00:14:44,629 --> 00:14:42,809

multilateral program okay fast forward

379

00:14:45,949 --> 00:14:44,639

in a space station we are today mark one

380

00:14:47,479 --> 00:14:45,959

of the things that you know we have

381

00:14:48,829 --> 00:14:47,489

trouble communicating to the outside

382

00:14:50,900 --> 00:14:48,839

world we kind understand the potential

383

00:14:52,400 --> 00:14:50,910

for scientific research for Space

384

00:14:54,470 --> 00:14:52,410

Station inside NASA but sometimes that's

385

00:14:56,479 --> 00:14:54,480

hard to to communicate to others that

386

00:14:57,829 --> 00:14:56,489

don't quite get it what would you say

387

00:15:00,619 --> 00:14:57,839

how would you describe the unique

388

00:15:03,529 --> 00:15:00,629

environment of space station and why

389

00:15:05,809 --> 00:15:03,539

that's important to researchers well

390

00:15:07,879 --> 00:15:05,819

when you take gravity out of equations

391

00:15:10,159 --> 00:15:07,889

of motion you fundamentally change the

392

00:15:12,650 --> 00:15:10,169

way particles interact at the cellular

393

00:15:14,659 --> 00:15:12,660

or the molecular level whether you're

394

00:15:17,210 --> 00:15:14,669

looking at in organic systems like

395

00:15:20,449 --> 00:15:17,220

metals and alloys that are undergoing a

396

00:15:22,130 --> 00:15:20,459

change of state or biological systems

397

00:15:24,500 --> 00:15:22,140

like cells and

398

00:15:27,620 --> 00:15:24,510

and molecular structures they all have

399

00:15:29,420 --> 00:15:27,630

motion of them and those that motion

400

00:15:31,490 --> 00:15:29,430

follows laws of motion that we

401
00:15:33,680 --> 00:15:31,500
understand very well on the ground in a

402
00:15:35,750 --> 00:15:33,690
1g environment but you put it up in

403
00:15:37,130 --> 00:15:35,760
space and you take gravity out of that

404
00:15:39,470 --> 00:15:37,140
equation of motion and you get a

405
00:15:41,090 --> 00:15:39,480
different answer and sometimes those

406
00:15:44,390 --> 00:15:41,100
different answers can really lead to

407
00:15:45,620 --> 00:15:44,400
some provocative results ok well the

408
00:15:47,390 --> 00:15:45,630
milestone we're celebrating in today is

409
00:15:50,930 --> 00:15:47,400
10 years of human occupancy on Space

410
00:15:52,970 --> 00:15:50,940
Station mr. Gerstenmaier was over time

411
00:15:54,770 --> 00:15:52,980
when you felt that the space station

412
00:15:57,440 --> 00:15:54,780
might have to be demand was there either

413
00:15:58,970 --> 00:15:57,450

technical reason or a logistical reason

414

00:16:02,600 --> 00:15:58,980

why you Nala no longer be able to keeps

415

00:16:03,920 --> 00:16:02,610

people on station do is you know if we

416

00:16:06,860 --> 00:16:03,930

kind of started back at the very

417

00:16:08,840 --> 00:16:06,870

beginning it was it was interesting

418

00:16:13,400 --> 00:16:08,850

because station we used to build from

419

00:16:15,170 --> 00:16:13,410

the solar arrays in board and that made

420

00:16:16,820 --> 00:16:15,180

sense because we had power up first and

421

00:16:19,160 --> 00:16:16,830

in communication systems and then we

422

00:16:20,840 --> 00:16:19,170

built essentially the support structure

423

00:16:22,280 --> 00:16:20,850

and then we hung the pressurized modules

424

00:16:24,920 --> 00:16:22,290

underneath and then we were going to add

425

00:16:26,540 --> 00:16:24,930

the crew right well that and I have

426
00:16:27,950 --> 00:16:26,550
documentation where that's the way we

427
00:16:29,300 --> 00:16:27,960
had put the plan together and then we

428
00:16:30,710 --> 00:16:29,310
were told that that wasn't going to cut

429
00:16:32,480 --> 00:16:30,720
it because we needed to get crew there

430
00:16:34,040 --> 00:16:32,490
earlier so we needed to build the other

431
00:16:35,600 --> 00:16:34,050
way out we need to start with the

432
00:16:38,570 --> 00:16:35,610
pressurized modules and then build

433
00:16:40,790 --> 00:16:38,580
outward so so we had to redo the entire

434
00:16:43,850 --> 00:16:40,800
sequence that forced us to put the p6

435
00:16:45,800 --> 00:16:43,860
temporary trust that's the port 6 solar

436
00:16:48,320 --> 00:16:45,810
array up on top to write temporary power

437
00:16:50,060 --> 00:16:48,330
we were lucky we had the FGB so we could

438
00:16:51,530 --> 00:16:50,070

use it as a power source and provide

439

00:16:53,870 --> 00:16:51,540

life support for us it provided those

440

00:16:55,940 --> 00:16:53,880

basic functions on station and then we

441

00:16:58,670 --> 00:16:55,950

could build outward so I think the first

442

00:16:59,930 --> 00:16:58,680

thing was that we got told to do it a

443

00:17:01,340 --> 00:16:59,940

different way than we would have done it

444

00:17:02,870 --> 00:17:01,350

technically because it was important to

445

00:17:04,490 --> 00:17:02,880

get crew on orbit to actually start

446

00:17:07,069 --> 00:17:04,500

doing some research and utilize the

447

00:17:08,540 --> 00:17:07,079

facility and not wait seven years until

448

00:17:10,400 --> 00:17:08,550

everything got built out and then you

449

00:17:12,140 --> 00:17:10,410

were ready to bring the crew up so that

450

00:17:14,090 --> 00:17:12,150

was an important first consideration I

451
00:17:15,829 --> 00:17:14,100
was in the shuttle program at the time

452
00:17:18,980 --> 00:17:15,839
when we decided to bring the first crew

453
00:17:20,689 --> 00:17:18,990
up we had not really even brought the

454
00:17:23,270 --> 00:17:20,699
First Solar ray up I believe when we

455
00:17:24,590 --> 00:17:23,280
when we added the crew I probably from

456
00:17:26,090 --> 00:17:24,600
again from a technical standpoint I

457
00:17:28,580 --> 00:17:26,100
would have waited maybe one more flight

458
00:17:30,050 --> 00:17:28,590
before we added crew and I remember

459
00:17:32,000 --> 00:17:30,060
having some discussions with Tommy

460
00:17:33,920 --> 00:17:32,010
Holloway again I was the evil shuttle

461
00:17:34,510 --> 00:17:33,930
side and he was the station side at the

462
00:17:36,190 --> 00:17:34,520
time and

463
00:17:37,840 --> 00:17:36,200

and I told him we had to wait one more

464

00:17:39,010 --> 00:17:37,850

flight and he told me there's no way we

465

00:17:40,570 --> 00:17:39,020

wait one more flight we're going to

466

00:17:42,640 --> 00:17:40,580

bring the crew up now the station is

467

00:17:43,930 --> 00:17:42,650

ready for him so I would tell you again

468

00:17:45,340 --> 00:17:43,940

from my conservative technical

469

00:17:46,780 --> 00:17:45,350

standpoint I might have waited another

470

00:17:48,820 --> 00:17:46,790

flight before we brought the crew on

471

00:17:50,410 --> 00:17:48,830

orbit but we did and it was fine there

472

00:17:52,630 --> 00:17:50,420

was the you know the station worked well

473

00:17:54,220 --> 00:17:52,640

and things went forward I think when we

474

00:17:56,590 --> 00:17:54,230

had to Columbia tragedy that was

475

00:18:00,040 --> 00:17:56,600

probably the closest we came to really

476
00:18:01,480 --> 00:18:00,050
happen to remove the crew you know we

477
00:18:03,400 --> 00:18:01,490
looked at what it would take to keep

478
00:18:05,500 --> 00:18:03,410
three crew members on station without

479
00:18:07,330 --> 00:18:05,510
the shuttle capability and there was

480
00:18:09,820 --> 00:18:07,340
just no way we could support the full

481
00:18:11,920 --> 00:18:09,830
complement of three crew and so we had a

482
00:18:13,690 --> 00:18:11,930
choice to go back and recommend a get

483
00:18:15,760 --> 00:18:13,700
additional so use in progress vehicles

484
00:18:18,640 --> 00:18:15,770
but we were prohibited because of the I

485
00:18:20,530 --> 00:18:18,650
Ron non North Korea Syria

486
00:18:22,120 --> 00:18:20,540
non-proliferation act of getting those

487
00:18:24,700 --> 00:18:22,130
extra modules so we really had no choice

488
00:18:26,290 --> 00:18:24,710

but to drop the crew size and then when

489

00:18:27,820 --> 00:18:26,300

we drop the crew size it wasn't

490

00:18:29,740 --> 00:18:27,830

guaranteed that we could actually make

491

00:18:31,660 --> 00:18:29,750

it through that first summer in fact we

492

00:18:33,250 --> 00:18:31,670

were going to be short of water on the

493

00:18:35,680 --> 00:18:33,260

shuttle because of its fuel cells

494

00:18:38,080 --> 00:18:35,690

generates a lot of water we had worried

495

00:18:39,640 --> 00:18:38,090

about water it was a very plentiful

496

00:18:41,020 --> 00:18:39,650

source because the shuttle was always

497

00:18:42,610 --> 00:18:41,030

there but when the shuttle was pulled

498

00:18:44,050 --> 00:18:42,620

away we didn't have enough water to

499

00:18:46,330 --> 00:18:44,060

really make it through that summer and

500

00:18:48,460 --> 00:18:46,340

we really needed a way to get water at a

501
00:18:50,140 --> 00:18:48,470
station we wanted to make a mod to the

502
00:18:53,110 --> 00:18:50,150
progress vehicle to add additional water

503
00:18:54,670 --> 00:18:53,120
tanks but we couldn't do that because we

504
00:18:57,250 --> 00:18:54,680
didn't have the ability to spend money

505
00:18:58,990 --> 00:18:57,260
with the Russians the Russians didn't

506
00:19:01,960 --> 00:18:59,000
want to do it without us spending money

507
00:19:03,910 --> 00:19:01,970
to do the tank so we spent many

508
00:19:05,980 --> 00:19:03,920
wonderful meetings throughout that

509
00:19:08,620 --> 00:19:05,990
spring trying to figure out how we were

510
00:19:11,080 --> 00:19:08,630
going to keep the crew on orbit and then

511
00:19:12,550 --> 00:19:11,090
I went over to Russia for her series of

512
00:19:14,770 --> 00:19:12,560
meetings and they were showing me around

513
00:19:16,360 --> 00:19:14,780

the floor where they build the solution

514

00:19:18,340 --> 00:19:16,370

of progress vehicles and they told me to

515

00:19:19,930 --> 00:19:18,350

stick my head in a progress vehicle and

516

00:19:21,790 --> 00:19:19,940

I did and right in the middle of

517

00:19:24,550 --> 00:19:21,800

progress vehicle was welded a water tank

518

00:19:26,290 --> 00:19:24,560

and so then they told me that you know

519

00:19:28,920 --> 00:19:26,300

we do what we need to do when it's time

520

00:19:31,360 --> 00:19:28,930

to go do it but not before and so they

521

00:19:32,890 --> 00:19:31,370

put the water tank in which allowed us

522

00:19:35,560 --> 00:19:32,900

to make it through the summer with the

523

00:19:37,540 --> 00:19:35,570

two-person crew and we had not done very

524

00:19:40,030 --> 00:19:37,550

good in keeping track of food and

525

00:19:42,010 --> 00:19:40,040

supplies and cargo we then implemented

526

00:19:44,290 --> 00:19:42,020

all these things to keep track of all

527

00:19:46,450 --> 00:19:44,300

these supplies and we built essentially

528

00:19:47,919 --> 00:19:46,460

a timeline that was a variable we didn't

529

00:19:49,509 --> 00:19:47,929

know exactly when the shuttle

530

00:19:51,639 --> 00:19:49,519

kind of return to flight so we had to

531

00:19:53,350 --> 00:19:51,649

just do the best to kind of fly from

532

00:19:54,909 --> 00:19:53,360

milestone the milestone know when we had

533

00:19:57,279 --> 00:19:54,919

to make decisions when we had to fly

534

00:19:59,200 --> 00:19:57,289

hardware up so there was no guarantee i

535

00:20:00,580 --> 00:19:59,210

used to tell the station team that you

536

00:20:02,919 --> 00:20:00,590

know our job is to return the crew

537

00:20:05,259 --> 00:20:02,929

safely you know if we can keep them on

538

00:20:07,749 --> 00:20:05,269

orbit great but if we need to know it

539

00:20:09,399 --> 00:20:07,759

advance that enough 40 days in advance

540

00:20:10,989 --> 00:20:09,409

that we can schedule a return so we can

541

00:20:12,580 --> 00:20:10,999

get them into sois we can schedule the

542

00:20:14,560 --> 00:20:12,590

right rescue forces to be there to pick

543

00:20:16,119 --> 00:20:14,570

them up so it's just like a nominal end

544

00:20:17,529 --> 00:20:16,129

of mission so it would be a little bit

545

00:20:18,789 --> 00:20:17,539

early but it would be a normal n de

546

00:20:20,560 --> 00:20:18,799

mission for the crew so the crew would

547

00:20:22,629 --> 00:20:20,570

be a no additional safety risk but our

548

00:20:24,369 --> 00:20:22,639

job was to anticipate with enough

549

00:20:26,019 --> 00:20:24,379

knowledge we were 40 days from afton

550

00:20:28,180 --> 00:20:26,029

returned to cruise so we kind of kept a

551
00:20:29,980 --> 00:20:28,190
running time line of where we that many

552
00:20:31,840 --> 00:20:29,990
days away from half to return the crew

553
00:20:33,369 --> 00:20:31,850
and if the wrong components would have

554
00:20:35,019 --> 00:20:33,379
broke at the wrong time in the wrong

555
00:20:36,609 --> 00:20:35,029
sequence we probably would have had to

556
00:20:38,470 --> 00:20:36,619
return the crew but we were lucky during

557
00:20:39,970 --> 00:20:38,480
the whole down time that that all the

558
00:20:41,739 --> 00:20:39,980
hardware stayed together we had some

559
00:20:43,210 --> 00:20:41,749
pumps that failed and some other

560
00:20:45,879 --> 00:20:43,220
components that fail but we had enough

561
00:20:48,580 --> 00:20:45,889
time to bring them up so it was a it was

562
00:20:50,289 --> 00:20:48,590
a tight period through that point but

563
00:20:52,119 --> 00:20:50,299

again the teams did a phenomenal job of

564

00:20:54,909 --> 00:20:52,129

handle and uncertainty and figuring out

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00:20:56,950 --> 00:20:54,919

a way to deal and operate in that manner

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00:20:58,629 --> 00:20:56,960

so again I think we learned tremendous

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00:21:01,090 --> 00:20:58,639

lessons about what you can do and and

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00:21:02,980 --> 00:21:01,100

how with the right overall overarching

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00:21:06,279 --> 00:21:02,990

goals you can accomplish amazing things

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00:21:07,539 --> 00:21:06,289

if you set your set your targets the

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00:21:09,789 --> 00:21:07,549

right way and you remain flexible

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00:21:12,850 --> 00:21:09,799

throughout the period to get done what

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00:21:14,470 --> 00:21:12,860

you need to go do so it was it was a it

574

00:21:17,529 --> 00:21:14,480

was an interesting period to get through

575

00:21:19,480 --> 00:21:17,539

and it worked out very well in hindsight

576
00:21:21,190 --> 00:21:19,490
but there sure were no guarantees as we

577
00:21:22,269 --> 00:21:21,200
were going through this whole period you

578
00:21:24,220 --> 00:21:22,279
know one of the interesting things

579
00:21:27,759 --> 00:21:24,230
engrossed raised earlier in terms of

580
00:21:29,950 --> 00:21:27,769
this the shuttle mentality we had versus

581
00:21:33,519 --> 00:21:29,960
the long-duration spaceflight mentality

582
00:21:35,230 --> 00:21:33,529
that the Russians had and we had

583
00:21:37,149 --> 00:21:35,240
intellectual discussions i would say

584
00:21:40,359 --> 00:21:37,159
about that difference for a long time

585
00:21:43,899 --> 00:21:40,369
and you know also in your reaction to

586
00:21:46,180 --> 00:21:43,909
crises on the shuttle side you know we

587
00:21:47,830 --> 00:21:46,190
have all kinds of rules about this

588
00:21:50,259 --> 00:21:47,840

failure that fell you you come home and

589

00:21:53,409 --> 00:21:50,269

how quickly do you come home well in a

590

00:21:56,560 --> 00:21:53,419

space station kind of scenario it's what

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00:21:58,659 --> 00:21:56,570

do you do to stay there and deal with

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00:22:01,799 --> 00:21:58,669

your situation and

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00:22:04,330 --> 00:22:01,809

keep the ship line you know more akin to

594

00:22:07,330 --> 00:22:04,340

an accident an issue that you would have

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00:22:09,639 --> 00:22:07,340

out on a ship somewhere in the ocean and

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00:22:12,249 --> 00:22:09,649

now having lives through not just the

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00:22:14,139 --> 00:22:12,259

the Columbia timeframe that girls talked

598

00:22:15,999 --> 00:22:14,149

about but there have been all kinds of

599

00:22:19,210 --> 00:22:16,009

issues where equipment has failed and

600

00:22:20,979 --> 00:22:19,220

and we've been down tracking margins

601
00:22:23,739 --> 00:22:20,989
really carefully tag to get through this

602
00:22:25,029 --> 00:22:23,749
month but that's that's what we ought to

603
00:22:27,759 --> 00:22:25,039
be learning and that's what we have to

604
00:22:30,580 --> 00:22:27,769
learn to explore because we're not

605
00:22:34,119 --> 00:22:30,590
coming home you know we're celebrating

606
00:22:36,999 --> 00:22:34,129
10 years that not every human has lived

607
00:22:39,489 --> 00:22:37,009
on the planet and if we're going to go

608
00:22:41,710 --> 00:22:39,499
beyond our biggest strategic goal number

609
00:22:44,529 --> 00:22:41,720
one is expand human presence beyond

610
00:22:47,349 --> 00:22:44,539
low-earth orbit those are the things we

611
00:22:49,960 --> 00:22:47,359
have to learn how do you continue to get

612
00:22:52,659 --> 00:22:49,970
further in distance and time from our

613
00:22:54,220 --> 00:22:52,669

home planet yet be able to deal with all

614

00:22:57,599 --> 00:22:54,230

of those challenges that we have in

615

00:23:00,009 --> 00:22:57,609

spaceflight that's what space station is

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00:23:01,330 --> 00:23:00,019

maybe it'd be nice if each of you can

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00:23:03,519 --> 00:23:01,340

answer this question what do you the

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00:23:05,440 --> 00:23:03,529

past decade would you describe as the

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00:23:07,119 --> 00:23:05,450

biggest large-scale and small-scale

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00:23:11,019 --> 00:23:07,129

challenge you faced or the space

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00:23:14,349 --> 00:23:11,029

stations based mark on a large scale

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00:23:16,359 --> 00:23:14,359

when I reflect back on the 1980s the

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00:23:19,539 --> 00:23:16,369

late 80s as the first partners were

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00:23:22,690 --> 00:23:19,549

coming on board it really began as a

625

00:23:25,180 --> 00:23:22,700

tower of babel it was very difficult at

626

00:23:28,570 --> 00:23:25,190

the beginning but within two to three

627

00:23:31,239 --> 00:23:28,580

years it came together and then over a

628

00:23:32,859 --> 00:23:31,249

decade we we have families we had people

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00:23:35,499 --> 00:23:32,869

getting married between partners

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00:23:37,899 --> 00:23:35,509

children being born so that the

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00:23:41,440 --> 00:23:37,909

challenge was fusing that team and once

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00:23:44,379 --> 00:23:41,450

that team was fused it's an incredible

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00:23:46,239 --> 00:23:44,389

performance and I don't really think

634

00:23:47,560 --> 00:23:46,249

there were any small challenges I mean

635

00:23:51,519 --> 00:23:47,570

the way I look back on the station

636

00:23:52,989 --> 00:23:51,529

program we lurched from what what at the

637

00:23:56,379 --> 00:23:52,999

time seemed like insurmountable

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00:24:01,149 --> 00:23:56,389

challenges that were eventually every

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00:24:03,909 --> 00:24:01,159

single one of them overcome okay when

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00:24:05,859 --> 00:24:03,919

yeah I from my personal experience the

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00:24:09,909 --> 00:24:05,869

biggest challenge was bringing Russia

642

00:24:11,560 --> 00:24:09,919

into the program no I'm haven't been

643

00:24:13,390 --> 00:24:11,570

working down in the technical

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00:24:18,190 --> 00:24:13,400

details but up at that at that sort of

645

00:24:21,490 --> 00:24:18,200

big-picture policy level and it was it

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00:24:23,410 --> 00:24:21,500

was driven by budget pressures political

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00:24:26,980 --> 00:24:23,420

pressures a whole lot of external

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00:24:31,780 --> 00:24:26,990

factors beyond NASA that forced it it

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00:24:34,930 --> 00:24:31,790

really tested our original partnership I

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00:24:37,540 --> 00:24:34,940

think there was a concern by Canada

651
00:24:41,350 --> 00:24:37,550
Europe and Japan that somehow they would

652
00:24:42,940 --> 00:24:41,360
be not viewed as as important because

653
00:24:46,840 --> 00:24:42,950
the Russians came with so much

654
00:24:49,270 --> 00:24:46,850
capability and and we've heard a little

655
00:24:50,800 --> 00:24:49,280
bit about the differences in how we were

656
00:24:53,380 --> 00:24:50,810
doing human spaceflight and how the

657
00:24:56,890 --> 00:24:53,390
Russians were merging those two

658
00:24:59,200 --> 00:24:56,900
different philosophical approaches and

659
00:25:02,590 --> 00:24:59,210
and coming to the point now where it is

660
00:25:06,460 --> 00:25:02,600
a partnership that that is a single

661
00:25:08,920 --> 00:25:06,470
partnership and not us versus them kind

662
00:25:13,180 --> 00:25:08,930
of an attitude i think was a really big

663
00:25:14,560 --> 00:25:13,190

challenge that we've overcome great you

664

00:25:19,810 --> 00:25:14,570

know the early years of space station

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00:25:23,790 --> 00:25:19,820

for me were just a continuum of budget

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00:25:26,110 --> 00:25:23,800

cuts and redesigns and redesigns and and

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00:25:28,120 --> 00:25:26,120

going through the transition that bill

668

00:25:29,290 --> 00:25:28,130

described where we actually convinced

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00:25:30,970 --> 00:25:29,300

ourselves that we weren't going to be

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00:25:32,410 --> 00:25:30,980

able to build a space station and we had

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00:25:34,390 --> 00:25:32,420

to go with what we call pre-integrated

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00:25:39,310 --> 00:25:34,400

trust with everything built and

673

00:25:43,540 --> 00:25:39,320

assembled on the ground you know and

674

00:25:46,570 --> 00:25:43,550

then you have the 92 93 redesign and the

675

00:25:49,840 --> 00:25:46,580

addition of the Russians and you know

676
00:25:51,400 --> 00:25:49,850
every one of those was a big challenge

677
00:25:55,000 --> 00:25:51,410
and tough and it was tough to hold the

678
00:25:57,790 --> 00:25:55,010
team together on the small side you know

679
00:26:00,070 --> 00:25:57,800
i can remember having arguments probably

680
00:26:02,170 --> 00:26:00,080
just as passionate as those big moments

681
00:26:05,950 --> 00:26:02,180
about what a specific requirement said

682
00:26:07,360 --> 00:26:05,960
in a particular requirements document

683
00:26:09,820 --> 00:26:07,370
that you know in the rearview mirror

684
00:26:13,720 --> 00:26:09,830
looks a whole lot less important than

685
00:26:19,810 --> 00:26:17,950
yeah boy I think back their word it's

686
00:26:22,390 --> 00:26:19,820
amazing the things that we've been

687
00:26:24,790 --> 00:26:22,400
through it's you know we started out

688
00:26:26,260 --> 00:26:24,800

with the station that was like I talked

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00:26:30,070 --> 00:26:26,270

about that was essentially assembled

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00:26:31,570 --> 00:26:30,080

from scratch that we we did a huge study

691

00:26:33,310 --> 00:26:31,580

up here where we looked at all kinds of

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00:26:35,920 --> 00:26:33,320

different options of rebuilding Space

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00:26:39,670 --> 00:26:35,930

Station we must have had 15 different

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00:26:41,470 --> 00:26:39,680

concepts come together of different ways

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00:26:43,840 --> 00:26:41,480

to build station then we ended up with

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00:26:46,660 --> 00:26:43,850

the pre-integrated trusts and then the

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00:26:48,280 --> 00:26:46,670

reston team it was getting started and

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00:26:50,290 --> 00:26:48,290

that was a tough thing for us to

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00:26:52,990 --> 00:26:50,300

centralize program management away from

700

00:26:55,480 --> 00:26:53,000

a field center up here at Washington and

701
00:26:57,100 --> 00:26:55,490
then we just about got rest and

702
00:26:59,170 --> 00:26:57,110
functional and then we decided that

703
00:27:01,420 --> 00:26:59,180
wasn't a good idea so let's break apart

704
00:27:02,890 --> 00:27:01,430
rest and then let's get rid of the work

705
00:27:06,130 --> 00:27:02,900
packages and let's hire a prime

706
00:27:08,260 --> 00:27:06,140
contractor and all these things are any

707
00:27:10,600 --> 00:27:08,270
one of them could have ended the program

708
00:27:13,900 --> 00:27:10,610
you know we then we had the famous one

709
00:27:16,360 --> 00:27:13,910
vote that kept station alive which was a

710
00:27:19,840 --> 00:27:16,370
huge thing at or stationed was going to

711
00:27:21,730 --> 00:27:19,850
be gone we had in two thousand we were

712
00:27:24,220 --> 00:27:21,740
five billion dollars over budget they

713
00:27:26,200 --> 00:27:24,230

came in and told us essentially node 3

714

00:27:28,270 --> 00:27:26,210

was not going to fly the habitation

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00:27:30,190 --> 00:27:28,280

module wasn't going to fly kupil wasn't

716

00:27:32,230 --> 00:27:30,200

going to fly regenerative equalist

717

00:27:33,970 --> 00:27:32,240

wasn't going to be there spit him wasn't

718

00:27:36,220 --> 00:27:33,980

god Dexter wasn't going to be there and

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00:27:38,920 --> 00:27:36,230

then somehow all those things are still

720

00:27:40,630 --> 00:27:38,930

on station and we still somehow cut 5

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00:27:43,330 --> 00:27:40,640

billion dollars out of our budget which

722

00:27:45,490 --> 00:27:43,340

was not the most pleasant thing in the

723

00:27:48,070 --> 00:27:45,500

world so you look at all those things

724

00:27:51,490 --> 00:27:48,080

and and any one of them you could have

725

00:27:53,170 --> 00:27:51,500

just thrown in the towel and and and and

726

00:27:55,150 --> 00:27:53,180

quit but I think the spirit of the

727

00:27:58,030 --> 00:27:55,160

partnership was we became dependent upon

728

00:28:00,310 --> 00:27:58,040

each other we recognized a potential of

729

00:28:02,740 --> 00:28:00,320

station and so we kept moving forward so

730

00:28:04,240 --> 00:28:02,750

now I think the big challenge is you

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00:28:05,860 --> 00:28:04,250

know we've been through this 10 years of

732

00:28:07,560 --> 00:28:05,870

human presence now we need to look

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00:28:09,790 --> 00:28:07,570

forward to that next 10 years of

734

00:28:11,710 --> 00:28:09,800

research and actually reap and some

735

00:28:13,840 --> 00:28:11,720

benefit from this wonderful facility

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00:28:16,750 --> 00:28:13,850

we've built into space so we needn't now

737

00:28:18,430 --> 00:28:16,760

need to take that same same optimism

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00:28:20,890 --> 00:28:18,440

that same zeal that we put into that

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00:28:23,260 --> 00:28:20,900

assembly to get here and throw that into

740

00:28:25,120 --> 00:28:23,270

tinder research and see if we can really

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00:28:27,340 --> 00:28:25,130

show the true benefit of space so that's

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00:28:29,560 --> 00:28:27,350

that's our next challenge and

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00:28:32,289 --> 00:28:29,570

I'm sure it will be full of all these

744

00:28:35,409 --> 00:28:32,299

big challenges that are coming every day

745

00:28:37,480 --> 00:28:35,419

there's something new that's it's a it's

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00:28:39,940 --> 00:28:37,490

a little tough to work around and and

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00:28:41,650 --> 00:28:39,950

we'll keep moving forward you know we

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00:28:43,630 --> 00:28:41,660

got told that that shuttle would be no

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00:28:45,340 --> 00:28:43,640

longer available to service station that

750

00:28:47,680 --> 00:28:45,350

was tough to figure out how to make all

751
00:28:49,299 --> 00:28:47,690
that work we think we've got plans there

752
00:28:51,220 --> 00:28:49,309
we're going to count on commercial cargo

753
00:28:52,600 --> 00:28:51,230
there's still some learning that will

754
00:28:54,400 --> 00:28:52,610
occur through that so I think there's

755
00:28:56,409 --> 00:28:54,410
lots of challenges coming but the

756
00:28:58,570 --> 00:28:56,419
important thing is to just stay focused

757
00:29:01,870 --> 00:28:58,580
realize now that potential for research

758
00:29:04,659 --> 00:29:01,880
to work internationally to gain and push

759
00:29:06,520 --> 00:29:04,669
that research forward okay I'm going to

760
00:29:09,640 --> 00:29:06,530
ask one more question before seeing if

761
00:29:11,020 --> 00:29:09,650
the audience has any questions the what

762
00:29:13,120 --> 00:29:11,030
is your for the next we've gone ten

763
00:29:14,049 --> 00:29:13,130

years is ten more you know the space

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00:29:16,240 --> 00:29:14,059

station supposed to fly for at least

765

00:29:18,549 --> 00:29:16,250

another ten what is your hope for the

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00:29:20,140 --> 00:29:18,559

next decade for the what's the biggest

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00:29:22,060 --> 00:29:20,150

accomplishment going to be in the years

768

00:29:24,310 --> 00:29:22,070

to come would you say each probably has

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00:29:26,970 --> 00:29:24,320

a different opinion mark yeah I'll take

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00:29:31,450 --> 00:29:26,980

a start at that because I can see two

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00:29:34,180 --> 00:29:31,460

major achievements ahead of us this is a

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00:29:36,399 --> 00:29:34,190

fantastic platform for doing technology

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00:29:37,659 --> 00:29:36,409

development and demonstration and we've

774

00:29:40,630 --> 00:29:37,669

never had anything like it before

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00:29:43,899 --> 00:29:40,640

available to us so I think we have the

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00:29:45,549 --> 00:29:43,909

opportunity to use it to develop our

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00:29:47,260 --> 00:29:45,559

next generation systems I mean we're

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00:29:49,120 --> 00:29:47,270

doing that already today with the

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00:29:51,940 --> 00:29:49,130

onboard systems like the regenerative

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00:29:54,460 --> 00:29:51,950

Equus but there's tremendous potential

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00:29:57,190 --> 00:29:54,470

available to do that and then the second

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00:30:00,070 --> 00:29:57,200

area the scientific potential as science

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00:30:04,060 --> 00:30:00,080

is a slow process I mean we are just now

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00:30:06,220 --> 00:30:04,070

seen results from 10 years ago that were

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00:30:08,940 --> 00:30:06,230

conducted on shuttle missions that are

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00:30:10,930 --> 00:30:08,950

turning into products and companies

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00:30:13,510 --> 00:30:10,940

profitable companies that were being

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00:30:14,890 --> 00:30:13,520

formed well tell one short story just

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00:30:17,830 --> 00:30:14,900

because a lot of people may not be aware

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00:30:20,620 --> 00:30:17,840

of it but just last month Apple computer

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00:30:24,250 --> 00:30:20,630

bought the exclusive worldwide patent

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00:30:26,560 --> 00:30:24,260

rights for liquid metals which were

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00:30:28,750 --> 00:30:26,570

originally discovered on the space

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00:30:31,360 --> 00:30:28,760

shuttle in 1997 doing thermo physical

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00:30:33,850 --> 00:30:31,370

property measurements by a p.i at

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00:30:34,899 --> 00:30:33,860

Caltech and it's not generally well

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00:30:38,169 --> 00:30:34,909

known but

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00:30:40,509 --> 00:30:38,179

it's a significant finding and in some

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00:30:42,549 --> 00:30:40,519

places they characterize liquid metals

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00:30:45,099 --> 00:30:42,559

as being input as important as plastics

801
00:30:46,989 --> 00:30:45,109
were when they were placed steel I think

802
00:30:49,859 --> 00:30:46,999
we have the opportunity to make more

803
00:30:53,529 --> 00:30:49,869
contributions like that in the ten years

804
00:30:55,810 --> 00:30:53,539
then as folks have said this is a very

805
00:30:57,729 --> 00:30:55,820
capable platform it can be used for many

806
00:31:00,339 --> 00:30:57,739
different things so my hope for the

807
00:31:02,259 --> 00:31:00,349
future is we fully utilize it we use it

808
00:31:03,820 --> 00:31:02,269
in many different ways I think it's

809
00:31:06,330 --> 00:31:03,830
really hard to predict what the research

810
00:31:08,919 --> 00:31:06,340
will show that's a process of discovery

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00:31:11,409 --> 00:31:08,929
we have a lot of things we can do on

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00:31:14,349 --> 00:31:11,419
station to prepare for exploration and

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00:31:17,499 --> 00:31:14,359

we really ought to be doing that I think

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00:31:21,039 --> 00:31:17,509

that this wallet is in low Earth orbit

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00:31:24,070 --> 00:31:21,049

it is a foot toward a step towards going

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00:31:25,629 --> 00:31:24,080

out beyond low-earth orbit and so we

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00:31:28,419 --> 00:31:25,639

really ought to take advantage of that

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00:31:31,239 --> 00:31:28,429

and we have such a strong partnership I

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00:31:33,700 --> 00:31:31,249

would like to see us use this really to

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00:31:36,519 --> 00:31:33,710

help build the continued partnership for

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00:31:38,289 --> 00:31:36,529

going beyond working together figuring

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00:31:41,139 --> 00:31:38,299

out what are those next steps for

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00:31:45,159 --> 00:31:41,149

exploration and using station to do that

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00:31:53,680 --> 00:31:45,169

to demonstrate it like it's going to get

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00:31:56,440 --> 00:31:53,690

repetitive right the I edit this is the

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00:31:57,820 --> 00:31:56,450

place we have to learn and we've had

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00:32:00,430 --> 00:31:57,830

that validated now that we're going to

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00:32:02,379 --> 00:32:00,440

keep flying the space station in and

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00:32:04,629 --> 00:32:02,389

this is you know we've learned so much

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00:32:06,279 --> 00:32:04,639

already just about how we operate in

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00:32:08,499 --> 00:32:06,289

space things that we never planned in

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00:32:10,359 --> 00:32:08,509

the program things that we never really

833

00:32:13,060 --> 00:32:10,369

thought we're going to accomplish even

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00:32:15,999 --> 00:32:13,070

to just basics of maintaining this this

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00:32:18,849 --> 00:32:16,009

facility are all things that we have to

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00:32:20,799 --> 00:32:18,859

be able to do is we go further out so it

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00:32:23,469 --> 00:32:20,809

is going to be the platform that drives

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00:32:25,239 --> 00:32:23,479

us an exploration and we are going to be

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00:32:26,680 --> 00:32:25,249

in a constrained environment so we're

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00:32:29,289 --> 00:32:26,690

going to be using everything that we

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00:32:31,930 --> 00:32:29,299

have today to build from where we are

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00:32:35,049 --> 00:32:31,940

out into exploration space station is

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00:32:37,299 --> 00:32:35,059

going to be a critical part of that and

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00:32:38,979 --> 00:32:37,309

I guess I would just add that a really

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00:32:41,229 --> 00:32:38,989

consider station a platform for

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00:32:42,969 --> 00:32:41,239

discovery and and if but in a whole

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00:32:44,829 --> 00:32:42,979

variety of different areas that some of

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00:32:47,049 --> 00:32:44,839

the scientific areas that mark talks

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00:32:48,700 --> 00:32:47,059

about you know we were able to recently

850

00:32:51,100 --> 00:32:48,710

activate the sabatier system

851
00:32:53,110 --> 00:32:51,110
which is an experiment in us and no in a

852
00:32:54,580 --> 00:32:53,120
new way of procuring hardware we didn't

853
00:32:56,440 --> 00:32:54,590
pay for the development of the hardware

854
00:32:57,970 --> 00:32:56,450
for the first time we let a contractor

855
00:33:01,120 --> 00:32:57,980
pay for the development of the hardware

856
00:33:04,029 --> 00:33:01,130
and then they only receive payments if

857
00:33:05,710 --> 00:33:04,039
the device generates water for us we did

858
00:33:07,779 --> 00:33:05,720
that without any NASA involvement they

859
00:33:10,330 --> 00:33:07,789
did all the design development on there

860
00:33:12,070 --> 00:33:10,340
on their own it fit well because we had

861
00:33:13,779 --> 00:33:12,080
done a lot of pre research on the NASA

862
00:33:15,490 --> 00:33:13,789
site so we knew what the interfaces were

863
00:33:17,500 --> 00:33:15,500

in a technical risk was something that a

864

00:33:19,600 --> 00:33:17,510

contractor could essentially pick up and

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00:33:21,190 --> 00:33:19,610

go operate so so station is already

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00:33:23,139 --> 00:33:21,200

proven itself as a platform for

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00:33:24,789 --> 00:33:23,149

discovery and new ways of contracting

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00:33:27,370 --> 00:33:24,799

and away new ways of doing development

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00:33:29,019 --> 00:33:27,380

the partnership has published a very

870

00:33:30,549 --> 00:33:29,029

nice lessons learned document where I

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00:33:32,799 --> 00:33:30,559

asked each one of the partners to think

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00:33:35,200 --> 00:33:32,809

about exploration and what lesson did

873

00:33:37,510 --> 00:33:35,210

you learn as an individual country for

874

00:33:39,159 --> 00:33:37,520

the way we should do exploration and we

875

00:33:40,870 --> 00:33:39,169

got a very nice document of the

876

00:33:42,610 --> 00:33:40,880

partnership pulling together to go do

877

00:33:44,730 --> 00:33:42,620

that and then we've also used the

878

00:33:46,870 --> 00:33:44,740

partnership recently to put together the

879

00:33:49,389 --> 00:33:46,880

basis of an international docking

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00:33:52,060 --> 00:33:49,399

standard so i use the partners to work

881

00:33:54,970 --> 00:33:52,070

together to go essentially put together

882

00:33:57,130 --> 00:33:54,980

the specifications to allow spacecraft

883

00:33:59,080 --> 00:33:57,140

to dock not a specific design but just

884

00:34:01,029 --> 00:33:59,090

the standard so what's the basic

885

00:34:02,649 --> 00:34:01,039

diameter what's the basic hook force

886

00:34:04,480 --> 00:34:02,659

what's the basic loading what's the

887

00:34:07,389 --> 00:34:04,490

mechanism that allows for soft capture

888

00:34:08,980 --> 00:34:07,399

etc but we're not specifying a design so

889

00:34:10,270 --> 00:34:08,990

then individual countries can go ahead

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00:34:12,220 --> 00:34:10,280

and then if they meet this standard

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00:34:14,680 --> 00:34:12,230

we'll have compatibility to go doc

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00:34:16,659 --> 00:34:14,690

things so the station is provided a

893

00:34:19,419 --> 00:34:16,669

multilateral environment so where we can

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00:34:21,550 --> 00:34:19,429

put together and work as a small group

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00:34:22,930 --> 00:34:21,560

to put some new standards out there that

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00:34:24,970 --> 00:34:22,940

maybe the standards that will be used

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00:34:27,669 --> 00:34:24,980

for exploration systems in the future so

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00:34:29,770 --> 00:34:27,679

so there's a tremendous amount of

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00:34:31,419 --> 00:34:29,780

potential to discover new things from a

900

00:34:33,460 --> 00:34:31,429

technology standpoint from a research

901
00:34:35,589 --> 00:34:33,470
standpoint from a contracting standpoint

902
00:34:37,540 --> 00:34:35,599
and from a way of doing new system

903
00:34:39,490 --> 00:34:37,550
standards for new systems needed for

904
00:34:41,050 --> 00:34:39,500
exploration systems in the future so I

905
00:34:42,730 --> 00:34:41,060
think there's a lot of things we

906
00:34:43,839 --> 00:34:42,740
shouldn't constrain ourselves just keep

907
00:34:46,089 --> 00:34:43,849
looking forward to keep challenging

908
00:34:48,750 --> 00:34:46,099
ourselves to do new things and we'll see

909
00:34:50,829 --> 00:34:48,760
what we can get in the next ten years

910
00:34:52,119 --> 00:34:50,839
okay thanks let's see if there's any

911
00:34:54,840 --> 00:34:52,129
questions from the audience for the

912
00:35:00,510 --> 00:34:59,190
out there in the back you've all done a

913
00:35:02,250 --> 00:35:00,520

really good job of pointing out the

914

00:35:06,990 --> 00:35:02,260

challenges that we've had and dealing

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00:35:08,850 --> 00:35:07,000

with the different partners one of the

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00:35:10,980 --> 00:35:08,860

other major challenges I think that

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00:35:13,170 --> 00:35:10,990

we've run into our that we have is

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00:35:15,600 --> 00:35:13,180

perhaps dealing with that other those

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00:35:16,970 --> 00:35:15,610

two other big areas the engineering

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00:35:19,470 --> 00:35:16,980

community and the research community

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00:35:21,750 --> 00:35:19,480

wondering if you could if you could

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00:35:23,970 --> 00:35:21,760

share what you think have been the major

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00:35:25,680 --> 00:35:23,980

obstacles in dealing across those two

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00:35:27,780 --> 00:35:25,690

populations as well as some of the major

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00:35:30,770 --> 00:35:27,790

accomplishments that have occurred as a

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00:35:33,300 --> 00:35:30,780

result of those two working together

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00:35:35,280 --> 00:35:33,310

I'll have to answer that one John I

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00:35:36,780 --> 00:35:35,290

think I spent the last 25 years working

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00:35:40,410 --> 00:35:36,790

on the boundary between those two

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00:35:42,120 --> 00:35:40,420

communities both of them have advantages

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00:35:44,910 --> 00:35:42,130

and disadvantages and the positions they

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00:35:47,820 --> 00:35:44,920

take and success comes when they work

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00:35:51,900 --> 00:35:47,830

together you know that we've gone a long

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00:35:55,080 --> 00:35:51,910

way over the past 25 years probably most

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00:35:57,390 --> 00:35:55,090

emblematic of that is the fact that we

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00:35:59,130 --> 00:35:57,400

delayed much of the utilization in order

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00:36:01,200 --> 00:35:59,140

to complete the assembly process that

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00:36:03,170 --> 00:36:01,210

was an extremely controversial issue

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00:36:05,310 --> 00:36:03,180

that was even debated in the

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00:36:07,590 --> 00:36:05,320

Congressional hallways back in the early

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00:36:09,840 --> 00:36:07,600

90s but you know when I look back on in

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00:36:12,660 --> 00:36:09,850

retrospect it was the right thing to do

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00:36:14,970 --> 00:36:12,670

because now we've got a completed Space

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00:36:17,700 --> 00:36:14,980

Station we didn't put it at risk during

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00:36:20,070 --> 00:36:17,710

that assembly phase and were positioned

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00:36:22,050 --> 00:36:20,080

to have a decade a useful utilization

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00:36:24,390 --> 00:36:22,060

coming out of it and i think the

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00:36:27,510 --> 00:36:24,400

research team distributed across the

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00:36:29,460 --> 00:36:27,520

nasa centers as well as out in the

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00:36:32,070 --> 00:36:29,470

academic and the industrial community

951
00:36:34,500 --> 00:36:32,080
are willing to step forward now that we

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00:36:36,750 --> 00:36:34,510
have the completed Space Station so I

953
00:36:42,390 --> 00:36:36,760
see the next ten years as being nothing

954
00:36:47,740 --> 00:36:42,400
but opportunity for us get a questions

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00:36:56,190 --> 00:36:50,170
what is the likelihood that private

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00:37:02,370 --> 00:36:59,280
we're we've got it for cargo delivery

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00:37:05,250 --> 00:37:02,380
where we've issued some fixed price

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00:37:07,109 --> 00:37:05,260
contracts with orbital and SpaceX to

959
00:37:08,760 --> 00:37:07,119
deliver cargo to space station so

960
00:37:11,190 --> 00:37:08,770
they're going to be a private entity

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00:37:13,500 --> 00:37:11,200
that will bring cargo for us to space

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00:37:16,319 --> 00:37:13,510
station under a contract to NASA so I

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00:37:19,829 --> 00:37:16,329

think they're deck pieces is clearly

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00:37:21,450 --> 00:37:19,839

there through the National Lab mark can

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00:37:23,550 --> 00:37:21,460

talk a little bit about that but I think

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00:37:24,780 --> 00:37:23,560

there'll be some some opportunities for

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00:37:26,250 --> 00:37:24,790

commercial companies in fact there are

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00:37:28,230 --> 00:37:26,260

some now that are actually even

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00:37:30,510 --> 00:37:28,240

utilizing station for some research and

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00:37:33,720 --> 00:37:30,520

we need to figure out more ways of

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00:37:36,839 --> 00:37:33,730

letting letting folks go ahead and use

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00:37:39,930 --> 00:37:36,849

station and Mark you my wife yeah we

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00:37:42,150 --> 00:37:39,940

began at work actually ten years ago

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00:37:44,839 --> 00:37:42,160

working partnerships out with private

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00:37:47,490 --> 00:37:44,849

firms for even use of the spacecraft and

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00:37:49,200 --> 00:37:47,500

and now the assembly is done we're going

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00:37:50,880 --> 00:37:49,210

to be growing that whole area I mean

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00:37:54,270 --> 00:37:50,890

most people are familiar i think with

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00:37:56,970 --> 00:37:54,280

the fact that we're literally just a few

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00:37:59,310 --> 00:37:56,980

weeks away from announcing a competitive

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00:38:01,349 --> 00:37:59,320

procurement to establish a cooperative

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00:38:04,140 --> 00:38:01,359

agreement with a nonprofit organization

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00:38:07,109 --> 00:38:04,150

to manage uses of the space station by

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00:38:08,630 --> 00:38:07,119

organizations other than NASA so I think

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00:38:12,150 --> 00:38:08,640

you're going to see all that activity

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00:38:16,050 --> 00:38:12,160

ramping up in the future and we've got

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00:38:18,660 --> 00:38:16,060

the perfect platform to do it with you

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00:38:20,339 --> 00:38:18,670

know I think it's also interesting to to

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00:38:21,630 --> 00:38:20,349

see how we got pushed to do some things

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00:38:23,280 --> 00:38:21,640

a little differently than we would have

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00:38:25,500 --> 00:38:23,290

probably on our own like the whole space

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00:38:27,450 --> 00:38:25,510

flight participant thing you know the

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00:38:30,059 --> 00:38:27,460

Russians were very aggressive in getting

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00:38:32,069 --> 00:38:30,069

selling so you seats to get space flight

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00:38:33,990 --> 00:38:32,079

participants up the station I don't

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00:38:36,180 --> 00:38:34,000

think we NASA would have done that on

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00:38:38,400 --> 00:38:36,190

our own but then the Russians have kind

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00:38:39,859 --> 00:38:38,410

of pushed this in an area that that I

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00:38:43,050 --> 00:38:39,869

think there's some potential there that

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00:38:45,059 --> 00:38:43,060

it moves forward even in their control

1001

00:38:46,800 --> 00:38:45,069

center they have a lot of if you look at

1002

00:38:48,510 --> 00:38:46,810

the you know the bottom floor below

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00:38:50,309 --> 00:38:48,520

their screen there's advertisements from

1004

00:38:51,720 --> 00:38:50,319

all the major vendors out there that

1005

00:38:54,240 --> 00:38:51,730

provide equipment to their control

1006

00:38:56,490 --> 00:38:54,250

center that's a little far for us to go

1007

00:39:00,720 --> 00:38:56,500

but but there they somehow have gather

1008

00:39:03,150 --> 00:39:00,730

are captured the maybe the capitalistic

1009

00:39:05,550 --> 00:39:03,160

process is better than we have in a

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00:39:06,780 --> 00:39:05,560

sense so we again need to learn from

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00:39:09,100 --> 00:39:06,790

them but there's a there's a real

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00:39:12,910 --> 00:39:09,110

advantage of doing things internet

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00:39:14,770 --> 00:39:12,920

and learning from others so we need to

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00:39:16,120 --> 00:39:14,780

to see what works see what other

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00:39:18,280 --> 00:39:16,130

countries are pushing see how they're

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00:39:20,050 --> 00:39:18,290

pursuing things and then likewise open

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00:39:21,580 --> 00:39:20,060

up our envelope a little bit to be a

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00:39:23,920 --> 00:39:21,590

little more flexible than we would be

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00:39:25,750 --> 00:39:23,930

naturally so I think the partnership has

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00:39:27,790 --> 00:39:25,760

brought a unique dimension to us that

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00:39:29,020 --> 00:39:27,800

has really really helped us look in

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00:39:30,820 --> 00:39:29,030

different ways the way we think about

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00:39:33,070 --> 00:39:30,830

space flight and I think typically we

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00:39:34,990 --> 00:39:33,080

find the partners are each at different

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00:39:37,720 --> 00:39:35,000

points along that spectrum they all have

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00:39:40,930 --> 00:39:37,730

different views and and having to

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00:39:42,520 --> 00:39:40,940

integrate all of that I think is even

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00:39:44,020 --> 00:39:42,530

more thoughtful than just having to look

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00:39:45,820 --> 00:39:44,030

at one extreme position or another

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00:39:49,090 --> 00:39:45,830

extreme position the recognition that

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00:39:55,630 --> 00:39:49,100

that we really are a continuum helps us

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00:39:57,340 --> 00:39:55,640

I think be open-minded my question is

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00:39:58,990 --> 00:39:57,350

for Bill but any of you all can answer

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00:40:01,660 --> 00:39:59,000

this it's well it's really interesting

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00:40:03,310 --> 00:40:01,670

to hear sort of your take on the spirit

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00:40:05,140 --> 00:40:03,320

of creativity and innovation that comes

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00:40:07,720 --> 00:40:05,150

about when you leave things sort of wide

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00:40:09,250 --> 00:40:07,730

open and let people sort of take

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00:40:11,530 --> 00:40:09,260

advantage of the open parameters you

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00:40:13,210 --> 00:40:11,540

spoke earlier to making sure that you

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00:40:15,010 --> 00:40:13,220

know in the future we have some of that

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00:40:17,440 --> 00:40:15,020

ability with no use and agreements that

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00:40:19,960 --> 00:40:17,450

are really flexible so I was wondering

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00:40:22,180 --> 00:40:19,970

you said that at each stage of the

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00:40:25,000 --> 00:40:22,190

station and the development you said

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00:40:27,220 --> 00:40:25,010

that you know things were things happen

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00:40:29,470 --> 00:40:27,230

that you know made the space station be

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00:40:31,330 --> 00:40:29,480

able to be used not as designed what

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00:40:32,740 --> 00:40:31,340

what were some of those things that you

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00:40:35,410 --> 00:40:32,750

know came about as a result of that

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00:40:37,510 --> 00:40:35,420
spirit of innovation creativity that you

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00:40:39,130 --> 00:40:37,520
really never thought would be used or

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00:40:43,690 --> 00:40:39,140
done on the space station that created a

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00:40:49,370 --> 00:40:47,660
yeah why we never anticipated the

1055
00:40:51,740 --> 00:40:49,380
Russians bringing tourists to the space

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00:40:56,360 --> 00:40:51,750
station and obviously the very first one

1057
00:41:00,350 --> 00:40:56,370
was a pretty dramatic moment in time but

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00:41:04,370 --> 00:41:00,360
we became used to it and it didn't cause

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00:41:07,400 --> 00:41:04,380
us any problems ultimately yeah I would

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00:41:10,060 --> 00:41:07,410
get you know I just see the crew with

1061
00:41:12,530 --> 00:41:10,070
clown noses in space was probably a

1062
00:41:16,880 --> 00:41:12,540
unique thing that I would not have ever

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00:41:19,940 --> 00:41:16,890

envisioned I would say we also did an

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00:41:22,520 --> 00:41:19,950

activity with the band u2 throughout the

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00:41:24,890 --> 00:41:22,530

world and they featured the space

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00:41:27,890 --> 00:41:24,900

station crew and several venues and in

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00:41:29,780 --> 00:41:27,900

various various countries around the

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00:41:32,690 --> 00:41:29,790

world and that was an interesting

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00:41:35,600 --> 00:41:32,700

experience to be called by the devant

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00:41:37,310 --> 00:41:35,610

personally and and congratulated on the

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00:41:39,590 --> 00:41:37,320

crew talking to them at some concert

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00:41:41,840 --> 00:41:39,600

some place which was very interesting

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00:41:45,440 --> 00:41:41,850

and unique which I would have not have

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00:41:47,120 --> 00:41:45,450

guessed you know developing the combined

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00:41:51,620 --> 00:41:47,130

operational load-bearing external

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00:41:53,990 --> 00:41:51,630

resistive treadmill for tougher for the

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00:41:56,270 --> 00:41:54,000

note 3 tranquility was a unique

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00:41:59,690 --> 00:41:56,280

experience for us you know we put

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00:42:02,540 --> 00:41:59,700

together a very well thought-out media

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00:42:04,430 --> 00:42:02,550

plan to get the name to node contest

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00:42:05,720 --> 00:42:04,440

with all the right legal arguments in

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00:42:08,180 --> 00:42:05,730

there that allowed us to name it

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00:42:09,770 --> 00:42:08,190

whatever we wanted to name it and then

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00:42:11,390 --> 00:42:09,780

we kind of lost control of the whole

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00:42:14,290 --> 00:42:11,400

process when Xena the warrior princess

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00:42:16,940 --> 00:42:14,300

was winning for a while and and then

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00:42:19,100 --> 00:42:16,950

myyearbook kind of came in later and

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00:42:20,660 --> 00:42:19,110

then the colbert show took over so and

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00:42:23,870 --> 00:42:20,670

then we determined that it didn't matter

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00:42:25,520 --> 00:42:23,880

what our legal statement said people in

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00:42:27,320 --> 00:42:25,530

general were going to dictate what how

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00:42:28,820 --> 00:42:27,330

he named the note and what criteria were

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00:42:30,770 --> 00:42:28,830

used and even though we had the legal

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00:42:32,780 --> 00:42:30,780

authority to do things we then had to

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00:42:36,020 --> 00:42:32,790

get kind of creative to come up with the

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00:42:37,670 --> 00:42:36,030

the combined operational load-bearing

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00:42:39,830 --> 00:42:37,680

external resistive treadmill so we

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00:42:42,020 --> 00:42:39,840

learned a lot through all that so I so I

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00:42:44,240 --> 00:42:42,030

think that the thing is by by

1100

00:42:46,370 --> 00:42:44,250

challenging folks to do things and think

1101
00:42:48,620 --> 00:42:46,380
in different ways you get different

1102
00:42:50,720 --> 00:42:48,630
results and and you know I've gotten a

1103
00:42:52,820 --> 00:42:50,730
lot of positive comments we've exposed

1104
00:42:55,310 --> 00:42:52,830
station to a broader community by doing

1105
00:42:57,020 --> 00:42:55,320
things along those lines and and I think

1106
00:42:57,300 --> 00:42:57,030
it gets some of our people excited you

1107
00:42:58,710 --> 00:42:57,310
can't

1108
00:43:01,530 --> 00:42:58,720
do too much of that but you got to

1109
00:43:03,120 --> 00:43:01,540
figure out where the serious scientific

1110
00:43:05,010 --> 00:43:03,130
work is done and then where there's a

1111
00:43:07,380 --> 00:43:05,020
little bit of a lighter side that keeps

1112
00:43:10,140 --> 00:43:07,390
things moving forward so bill talked

1113
00:43:13,290 --> 00:43:10,150

about the body a as well and you know

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00:43:16,230 --> 00:43:13,300

when he and I were commiserating even 10

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00:43:20,570 --> 00:43:16,240

years ago or 15 years ago we never would

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00:43:23,160 --> 00:43:20,580

have had a discussion about buying water

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00:43:27,030 --> 00:43:23,170

you know not buying the device but

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00:43:28,650 --> 00:43:27,040

literally buying water and so as we have

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00:43:30,660 --> 00:43:28,660

evolved with the space station as has

1120

00:43:33,210 --> 00:43:30,670

we've understood the maturity of all the

1121

00:43:34,950 --> 00:43:33,220

systems he really can do very very

1122

00:43:38,010 --> 00:43:34,960

different things if you keep your mind

1123

00:43:40,680 --> 00:43:38,020

open to it I don't think anybody ever

1124

00:43:42,690 --> 00:43:40,690

anticipated this global mixed fleet that

1125

00:43:46,050 --> 00:43:42,700

we're working with today either when we

1126
00:43:48,480 --> 00:43:46,060
started this program before the Russians

1127
00:43:51,210 --> 00:43:48,490
were on board it was all shuttle based

1128
00:43:53,580 --> 00:43:51,220
transportation and it was designed to be

1129
00:43:56,910 --> 00:43:53,590
serviced by the shuttle but then the

1130
00:43:58,380 --> 00:43:56,920
European ATV the Japanese a TV then the

1131
00:44:01,770 --> 00:43:58,390
Russian partnership with the progress

1132
00:44:03,720 --> 00:44:01,780
it's a really a pretty impressive global

1133
00:44:06,990 --> 00:44:03,730
fleet of vehicles that we've got coming

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00:44:08,820 --> 00:44:07,000
and going today and more to come if you

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00:44:11,240 --> 00:44:08,830
look next year I think we have 17

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00:44:13,620 --> 00:44:11,250
flights to space station next year and

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00:44:16,470 --> 00:44:13,630
two of those are shuttle and then the

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00:44:18,540 --> 00:44:16,480

rest are our ATV and progress and Soyuz

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00:44:20,430 --> 00:44:18,550

and also some of our commercial cargo

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00:44:23,610 --> 00:44:20,440

providers will be there next year too so

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00:44:26,040 --> 00:44:23,620

so we've really created a much more

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00:44:28,500 --> 00:44:26,050

dynamic and diverse transportation plan

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00:44:34,720 --> 00:44:28,510

than I think we ever envisioned little

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00:44:39,380 --> 00:44:36,890

we have a lot of aging infrastructure

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00:44:41,660 --> 00:44:39,390

down here on the ground and some aging

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00:44:43,990 --> 00:44:41,670

bodies as well I have an eight-year-old

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00:44:46,310 --> 00:44:44,000

at home though that would be interested

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00:44:48,770 --> 00:44:46,320

someday and flying on the space station

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00:44:51,800 --> 00:44:48,780

what's the likelihood of the space

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00:44:56,150 --> 00:44:51,810

stations having a unit of further

1151
00:45:00,590 --> 00:44:56,160
extended period of operations beyond the

1152
00:45:02,960 --> 00:45:00,600
2020 time frame that's yours well we've

1153
00:45:05,240 --> 00:45:02,970
been looking we go to 2020 and then I

1154
00:45:08,120 --> 00:45:05,250
think we've looked at going I think all

1155
00:45:10,310 --> 00:45:08,130
the way out to 20 28 and and that's

1156
00:45:12,500 --> 00:45:10,320
based on I think a 30 year lifetime from

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00:45:14,240 --> 00:45:12,510
when the first module was was taken up

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00:45:16,130 --> 00:45:14,250
so so we're looking at that to see if

1159
00:45:18,320 --> 00:45:16,140
there's any technical considerations I

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00:45:19,670 --> 00:45:18,330
think that the bigger driver is not so

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00:45:21,980 --> 00:45:19,680
much to hardware in the robustness of

1162
00:45:23,780 --> 00:45:21,990
the hardware but do we find a real need

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00:45:25,670 --> 00:45:23,790

for station in a real compelling

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00:45:28,310 --> 00:45:25,680

research environment a real commercial

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00:45:30,050 --> 00:45:28,320

aspect debt station is viable for and

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00:45:31,970 --> 00:45:30,060

that will keep space station flying if

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00:45:33,350 --> 00:45:31,980

we can see that that other piece but i

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00:45:35,930 --> 00:45:33,360

think the physical hardware could be

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00:45:38,330 --> 00:45:35,940

there until until 20 28 or may be

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00:45:40,640 --> 00:45:38,340

upgraded or pieces could could be it

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00:45:41,960 --> 00:45:40,650

could be done off of station but i think

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00:45:44,000 --> 00:45:41,970

our challenge is in the next couple

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00:45:45,110 --> 00:45:44,010

years is just kind of submit that future

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00:45:46,940 --> 00:45:45,120

and figure out how we can really

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00:45:48,590 --> 00:45:46,950

effectively utilize station for

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00:45:50,090 --> 00:45:48,600

exploration and and other activities

1177

00:45:51,590 --> 00:45:50,100

that some of the things mark talked

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00:45:54,230 --> 00:45:51,600

about you know if we can put together

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00:45:56,810 --> 00:45:54,240

some spacecraft from station deploy them

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00:45:59,030 --> 00:45:56,820

to go different places that's a pretty

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00:46:01,520 --> 00:45:59,040

exciting future you know how can we use

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00:46:04,070 --> 00:46:01,530

station and more of a testbed mode we've

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00:46:05,990 --> 00:46:04,080

got a hyperspectral imager onboard

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00:46:07,820 --> 00:46:06,000

station which is really nice that was

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00:46:10,880 --> 00:46:07,830

put together by the Naval Research Lab

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00:46:12,410 --> 00:46:10,890

and a very short period of time it's not

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00:46:14,810 --> 00:46:12,420

an operational instrument but it's a

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00:46:16,100 --> 00:46:14,820

great test bed to look at ways that they

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00:46:18,290 --> 00:46:16,110

can be creative and putting together

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00:46:20,120 --> 00:46:18,300

hardware so we need to keep reaching out

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00:46:21,800 --> 00:46:20,130

to these other folks that can utilize

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00:46:23,210 --> 00:46:21,810

station and show that station is really

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00:46:26,030 --> 00:46:23,220

viable and then I think it could be

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00:46:27,650 --> 00:46:26,040

there potentially for future future

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00:46:29,000 --> 00:46:27,660

reviews yeah and gross touch on

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00:46:31,640 --> 00:46:29,010

something we really didn't mention in

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00:46:34,250 --> 00:46:31,650

that freedom to ISS transition freedom

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00:46:39,110 --> 00:46:34,260

actually had a 30 year design life that

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00:46:40,820 --> 00:46:39,120

we you know drop down to save some money

1200

00:46:43,430 --> 00:46:40,830

and and try to do things a little

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00:46:45,620 --> 00:46:43,440

different in that transition but most of

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00:46:47,240 --> 00:46:45,630

the designs were set on the US side so

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00:46:47,720 --> 00:46:47,250

we really didn't change how we were

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00:46:50,359 --> 00:46:47,730

building

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00:46:52,609 --> 00:46:50,369

the components of the space station we

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00:46:54,170 --> 00:46:52,619

probably simplified the test program

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00:46:56,150 --> 00:46:54,180

because we didn't have to demonstrate as

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00:46:58,130 --> 00:46:56,160

long a lifetime and there were a couple

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00:47:00,710 --> 00:46:58,140

sticky problems about maintenance that

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00:47:03,530 --> 00:47:00,720

we didn't have to solve that you know

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00:47:05,180 --> 00:47:03,540

will still face over time but by and

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00:47:08,330 --> 00:47:05,190

large the systems we're still defined

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00:47:10,670 --> 00:47:08,340

for that much longer lifetime the

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00:47:12,230 --> 00:47:10,680

benefit cost point that bill breaks do

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00:47:15,310 --> 00:47:12,240

brings up is really important because

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00:47:17,359 --> 00:47:15,320

that will ultimately determine it and

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00:47:19,640 --> 00:47:17,369

everybody should know that they're there

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00:47:22,460 --> 00:47:19,650

is a real opportunity to reach a tipping

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00:47:24,320 --> 00:47:22,470

point here in the next five years or so

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00:47:27,410 --> 00:47:24,330

where these laboratories become so

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00:47:29,030 --> 00:47:27,420

productive that they'll draw users to

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00:47:30,950 --> 00:47:29,040

them from the private sector from the

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00:47:32,180 --> 00:47:30,960

government sector from all the way

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00:47:34,520 --> 00:47:32,190

around and that that's going to change

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00:47:36,140 --> 00:47:34,530

the whole prescription by the end of the

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00:47:38,450 --> 00:47:36,150

decade and provided that we get the

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00:47:40,849 --> 00:47:38,460

transportation resources in place in the

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00:47:46,060 --> 00:47:40,859

in the near future there's every reason

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00:47:53,180 --> 00:47:50,990

I just add one thing you know when I sit

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00:47:55,580 --> 00:47:53,190

here today and I kind of reflect back

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00:47:58,280 --> 00:47:55,590

and I look at this picture behind us and

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00:48:01,400 --> 00:47:58,290

all this is in orbit it's some kind of

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00:48:03,530 --> 00:48:01,410

miracle I mean we had so many

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00:48:05,960 --> 00:48:03,540

opportunities along the way that this

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00:48:08,960 --> 00:48:05,970

Hardware wouldn't be in orbit it's it's

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00:48:11,780 --> 00:48:08,970

phenomenal and so I think there's no I

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00:48:13,880 --> 00:48:11,790

mean if the Spirit is set right and we

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00:48:15,530 --> 00:48:13,890

keep the longer-term vision and I think

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00:48:17,720 --> 00:48:15,540

you clearly see it in a Russian culture

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00:48:19,580 --> 00:48:17,730

that they you know they'll get diverted

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00:48:21,710 --> 00:48:19,590

whichever which way they can but they

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00:48:23,270 --> 00:48:21,720

keep focused on some long-term goal and

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00:48:25,580 --> 00:48:23,280

I think if we can keep that long-term

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00:48:27,830 --> 00:48:25,590

goal there's no limit to what we can

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00:48:29,540 --> 00:48:27,840

accomplish in we really are working

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00:48:31,400 --> 00:48:29,550

better together multilaterally there

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00:48:33,710 --> 00:48:31,410

were times when I thought we might not

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00:48:35,720 --> 00:48:33,720

ever work together multilaterally I mean

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00:48:37,340 --> 00:48:35,730

we didn't want to exchange data we

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00:48:39,770 --> 00:48:37,350

didn't want to talk about things you

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00:48:42,109 --> 00:48:39,780
know we did US air samples the Russians

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00:48:43,880 --> 00:48:42,119
did russian air samples and we would get

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00:48:45,830 --> 00:48:43,890
two separate sets of data about what the

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00:48:48,109 --> 00:48:45,840
same atmosphere really was and they

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00:48:49,490 --> 00:48:48,119
would not share data back and forth and

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00:48:51,349 --> 00:48:49,500
then when we had Columbia we had no

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00:48:52,760 --> 00:48:51,359
choice but to share samples and actually

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00:48:54,170 --> 00:48:52,770
force researchers to look at other

1259
00:48:57,980 --> 00:48:54,180
researchers how they actually do

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00:49:00,349 --> 00:48:57,990
analysis so I think we need to just

1261
00:49:01,580 --> 00:49:00,359
recognize that it's hard to predict the

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00:49:03,530 --> 00:49:01,590
future but if you

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00:49:05,060 --> 00:49:03,540

focused and you keep moving and you keep

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00:49:07,820 --> 00:49:05,070

the right vision you can accomplish

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00:49:10,040 --> 00:49:07,830

amazing things and this is truly an

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00:49:12,500 --> 00:49:10,050

amazing engineering feat that's here and

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00:49:14,390 --> 00:49:12,510

now our challenge is to take that same

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00:49:16,130 --> 00:49:14,400

zeal and put it into the research arena

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00:49:18,080 --> 00:49:16,140

and to see if we can reach that tipping

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00:49:20,270 --> 00:49:18,090

point that mark talks about where this

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00:49:22,370 --> 00:49:20,280

thing is is really a benefit to us it

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00:49:24,110 --> 00:49:22,380

shows us that space has a real benefit

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00:49:26,240 --> 00:49:24,120

to everyday people on the earth and

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00:49:28,160 --> 00:49:26,250

their unique research environment of

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00:49:30,110 --> 00:49:28,170

space station pays dividends to the

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00:49:32,450 --> 00:49:30,120

elderly and pays dividends to our people

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00:49:34,100 --> 00:49:32,460

here on the earth as well allows us to

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00:49:36,650 --> 00:49:34,110

learn how to explore and go beyond

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00:49:41,210 --> 00:49:36,660

low-earth orbit there was a reason that

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00:49:43,390 --> 00:49:41,220

first lab was named destiny you know

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00:49:46,310 --> 00:49:43,400

looking at the room most people in here

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00:49:47,750 --> 00:49:46,320

work at NASA and have some sort of

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00:49:50,870 --> 00:49:47,760

interest in the National Space Station

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00:49:53,540 --> 00:49:50,880

but outside of this building and outside

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00:49:55,520 --> 00:49:53,550

of the agency why does the space station

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00:49:56,960 --> 00:49:55,530

matter what would be what would you tell

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00:49:58,580 --> 00:49:56,970

someone that didn't even know what the

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00:50:03,580 --> 00:49:58,590

space station was why was important and

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00:50:06,500 --> 00:50:03,590

how can affect their lives any of you I

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00:50:08,150 --> 00:50:06,510

had a discussion years ago with a friend

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00:50:10,490 --> 00:50:08,160

of mine from from high school and I was

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00:50:14,030 --> 00:50:10,500

raised in a pretty small fairly rural

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00:50:15,950 --> 00:50:14,040

part of Northwest Pennsylvania and I was

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00:50:17,570 --> 00:50:15,960

describing the space station from kind

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00:50:20,060 --> 00:50:17,580

of all the challenge and hassles of the

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00:50:23,120 --> 00:50:20,070

international partnership and and after

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00:50:24,530 --> 00:50:23,130

listen to me rant for a while I think

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00:50:25,730 --> 00:50:24,540

she summed it up pretty well when she

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00:50:27,970 --> 00:50:25,740

said oh so what you're really trying to

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00:50:31,370 --> 00:50:27,980

say is is it's just good for the globe

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00:50:33,020 --> 00:50:31,380

and from that partnership standpoint you

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00:50:35,360 --> 00:50:33,030

know that's that's pretty much it it's

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00:50:37,400 --> 00:50:35,370

good for the globe that that's what I

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00:50:39,470 --> 00:50:37,410

tell people this this is the largest

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00:50:42,620 --> 00:50:39,480

international cooperative endeavor and

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00:50:44,480 --> 00:50:42,630

science and technology in history and we

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00:50:46,100 --> 00:50:44,490

have the results to prove that it can be

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00:50:48,980 --> 00:50:46,110

done and we're halfway through the

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00:50:52,550 --> 00:50:48,990

process the assembly is over and the

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00:50:54,830 --> 00:50:52,560

best ten years are in front of us and I

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00:50:57,770 --> 00:50:54,840

think the scientific research aspect is

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00:50:59,240 --> 00:50:57,780

also very intriguing to us that is Mark

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00:51:01,930 --> 00:50:59,250

said at the very beginning when you

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00:51:05,360 --> 00:51:01,940

remove gravity from the equation

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00:51:09,740 --> 00:51:05,370

processes change and as a researcher you

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00:51:11,510 --> 00:51:09,750

want to look at a process with differing

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00:51:13,190 --> 00:51:11,520

variables or different constraints so to

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00:51:15,530 --> 00:51:13,200

remove gravity and then look at a

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00:51:17,240 --> 00:51:15,540

process can yield tremendous

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00:51:19,400 --> 00:51:17,250

new understandings that we haven't had

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00:51:21,350 --> 00:51:19,410

before so you know we know the immune

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00:51:23,900 --> 00:51:21,360

system does different things in zero-g

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00:51:25,340 --> 00:51:23,910

so we have a model that you know the

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00:51:27,380 --> 00:51:25,350

doctors have a model of how the immune

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00:51:29,410 --> 00:51:27,390

system operates and works but that's

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00:51:32,450 --> 00:51:29,420

based on seeing it through a 1g

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00:51:34,100 --> 00:51:32,460

influence you remove zero gravity then

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00:51:35,450 --> 00:51:34,110

that model mate doesn't hold up and

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00:51:36,830 --> 00:51:35,460

doesn't quite work right so you're going

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00:51:38,120 --> 00:51:36,840

to end up with a better model of the

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00:51:39,890 --> 00:51:38,130

immune system which can pay real

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00:51:42,500 --> 00:51:39,900

benefits back to us here on earth so I

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00:51:44,300 --> 00:51:42,510

think there's there's a chance here that

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00:51:47,090 --> 00:51:44,310

we can gain some things and learn from

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00:51:49,520 --> 00:51:47,100

space that this new environment this new

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00:51:51,410 --> 00:51:49,530

test environment just like any new place

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00:51:53,510 --> 00:51:51,420

you go you can learn more about things

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00:51:55,040 --> 00:51:53,520

back on the earth I think you know one

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00:51:57,050 --> 00:51:55,050

of the Apollo astronauts said we went

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00:51:58,610 --> 00:51:57,060

all the way to the moon to learn more

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00:52:00,620 --> 00:51:58,620

about the earth you know and if you

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00:52:02,000 --> 00:52:00,630

think about the lunar activities

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00:52:04,790 --> 00:52:02,010

probably some of the most compelling

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00:52:06,800 --> 00:52:04,800

things r is the pictures of the you know

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00:52:08,690 --> 00:52:06,810

the earth rise from the moon is that's

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00:52:11,000 --> 00:52:08,700

really changed our own perception of

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00:52:13,460 --> 00:52:11,010

what the earth is you know when you look

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00:52:14,900 --> 00:52:13,470

at the images from space station you

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00:52:16,700 --> 00:52:14,910

know I always look at that little thin

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00:52:18,140 --> 00:52:16,710

blue line that sits there in the

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00:52:20,000 --> 00:52:18,150
background and that's our total

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00:52:22,220 --> 00:52:20,010
atmosphere that protects us and that we

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00:52:24,290 --> 00:52:22,230
live in and if that can't change your

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00:52:26,240 --> 00:52:24,300
perception of how we here on the earth

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00:52:28,850 --> 00:52:26,250
you know on this little blue marble

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00:52:31,910 --> 00:52:28,860
floating in space that's pretty dramatic

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00:52:34,550 --> 00:52:31,920
so I think again if we just keep our

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00:52:36,620 --> 00:52:34,560
eyes open keep our research moving steak

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00:52:38,540 --> 00:52:36,630
stay hungry keep looking at different

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00:52:40,760 --> 00:52:38,550
things we can get tremendous benefit

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00:52:43,010 --> 00:52:40,770
from from space and space station and we

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00:52:44,960 --> 00:52:43,020
need to we need to talk about it with

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00:52:47,300 --> 00:52:44,970

with folks get them excited about what

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00:52:49,340 --> 00:52:47,310

we're doing and and and let them

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00:52:51,560 --> 00:52:49,350

understand of how they can participate

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00:52:52,910 --> 00:52:51,570

or how they can even contribute to some

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00:52:54,470 --> 00:52:52,920

of the things we're doing and we're

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00:52:56,600 --> 00:52:54,480

looking for new ways of doing that with

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00:52:58,550 --> 00:52:56,610

and I think there's a lot to be said for

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00:53:00,560 --> 00:52:58,560

the human element because we have many

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00:53:03,440 --> 00:53:00,570

different space programs and we see a

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00:53:05,750 --> 00:53:03,450

lot from space with all kinds of robotic

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00:53:09,200 --> 00:53:05,760

spacecraft going throughout the solar

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00:53:11,510 --> 00:53:09,210

system but there is something about

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00:53:13,340 --> 00:53:11,520

sharing it with other people who've been

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00:53:15,530 --> 00:53:13,350
there who can describe it who can feel

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00:53:19,640 --> 00:53:15,540
it who can tell us what it's really like

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00:53:21,860 --> 00:53:19,650
and and and that is very important for

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00:53:25,010 --> 00:53:21,870
us to understand what that environment

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00:53:27,170 --> 00:53:25,020
is you know we've had a series of these

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00:53:29,270 --> 00:53:27,180
these roundtable discussions about the

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00:53:31,370 --> 00:53:29,280
day Marshall Space Flight Center had one

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00:53:34,280 --> 00:53:31,380
Kenny Space Center and also Johnson

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00:53:36,260 --> 00:53:34,290
Space Center what about can you tell the

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00:53:38,090 --> 00:53:36,270
audience and the people watching what's

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00:53:40,130 --> 00:53:38,100
your unique perspective from

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00:53:41,720 --> 00:53:40,140
headquarters then maybe the other

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00:53:43,280 --> 00:53:41,730

centers didn't have I know some of you

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00:53:44,930 --> 00:53:43,290

have worked in centers and also

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00:53:46,280 --> 00:53:44,940

headquarters I know there's a political

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00:53:47,630 --> 00:53:46,290

realm you have to deal with here in DC

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00:53:49,130 --> 00:53:47,640

which is a little different how is that

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00:53:52,700 --> 00:53:49,140

influenced and affected the National

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00:53:56,630 --> 00:53:52,710

Space Station or your job the political

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00:54:00,200 --> 00:53:56,640

element is huge and it's and it's not

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00:54:02,870 --> 00:54:00,210

just political in terms of our nation's

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00:54:04,250 --> 00:54:02,880

politics right it's but we've had that

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00:54:06,980 --> 00:54:04,260

as curse said there was the the one

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00:54:10,220 --> 00:54:06,990

point right in the summer of 92 where

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00:54:15,560 --> 00:54:10,230

the space station was almost cancelled

1401
00:54:18,170 --> 00:54:15,570
by one vote and having gone through and

1402
00:54:19,580 --> 00:54:18,180
no I mean I kind of laughed today right

1403
00:54:21,020 --> 00:54:19,590
people are talking about the nasa

1404
00:54:23,900 --> 00:54:21,030
authorization bill is being very

1405
00:54:27,920 --> 00:54:23,910
prescriptive about what kind of rocket

1406
00:54:30,410 --> 00:54:27,930
or capsule we should build yet in those

1407
00:54:32,120 --> 00:54:30,420
early space station days we were told we

1408
00:54:36,230 --> 00:54:32,130
were going to fly the lab before the

1409
00:54:38,450 --> 00:54:36,240
have 45 kilowatts of power half the

1410
00:54:40,580 --> 00:54:38,460
racks within the 10 to the minus 6 micro

1411
00:54:42,380 --> 00:54:40,590
g range right mark yeah there were a

1412
00:54:44,630 --> 00:54:42,390
whole dozen we in fact we called him

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00:54:49,640 --> 00:54:44,640

dick Mallos commandments that were

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00:54:53,180 --> 00:54:49,650

captured in law that we had to deal with

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00:54:54,650 --> 00:54:53,190

and so the the political environment for

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00:54:58,700 --> 00:54:54,660

Space Station has always been very

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00:55:00,320 --> 00:54:58,710

highly charged and then that reflects in

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00:55:01,520 --> 00:55:00,330

each of the partners not only has the

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00:55:04,940 --> 00:55:01,530

partners been an important part of

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00:55:06,440 --> 00:55:04,950

maintaining the base political base for

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00:55:09,440 --> 00:55:06,450

the space station but they all have had

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00:55:11,030 --> 00:55:09,450

their unique politics as well and and I

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00:55:13,940 --> 00:55:11,040

know over the years I think all of us

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00:55:17,030 --> 00:55:13,950

have been to the different partners

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00:55:19,610 --> 00:55:17,040

talking not just to our counterparts but

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00:55:22,220 --> 00:55:19,620

to their political sides as well and

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00:55:24,590 --> 00:55:22,230

trying to continue to keep that

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00:55:27,830 --> 00:55:24,600

coalition strong yeah I think it's

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00:55:31,520 --> 00:55:27,840

interesting how often we've had to work

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00:55:34,010 --> 00:55:31,530

with our partners to help re advocate

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00:55:36,710 --> 00:55:34,020

the program and we seem to each take our

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00:55:39,110 --> 00:55:36,720

turn as to when that when that comes up

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00:55:41,190 --> 00:55:39,120

in our budget or political cycle after

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00:55:44,040 --> 00:55:41,200

elections whatever

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00:55:46,050 --> 00:55:44,050

and so to see how how it works what

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00:55:47,730 --> 00:55:46,060

arguments are appropriate in all the

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00:55:50,490 --> 00:55:47,740

different political systems is is

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00:55:53,069 --> 00:55:50,500

interesting as the one that was the most

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00:55:56,339 --> 00:55:53,079

eye-opening for me from the Washington

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00:55:58,680 --> 00:55:56,349

Policy view is when I had to go up on

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00:56:00,750 --> 00:55:58,690

the hill and explain why we wanted an

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00:56:03,930 --> 00:56:00,760

exception in law to the Iran North Korea

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00:56:06,690 --> 00:56:03,940

Syria non-proliferation act why we

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00:56:09,720 --> 00:56:06,700

wanted to be able to have exchanges with

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00:56:11,970 --> 00:56:09,730

Russia why we were dependent on Soyuz

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00:56:14,069 --> 00:56:11,980

how did we get into that position why

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00:56:16,470 --> 00:56:14,079

was it important what was the value to

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00:56:19,020 --> 00:56:16,480

NASA and I had to go make that case to

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00:56:21,569 --> 00:56:19,030

people in foreign policy committees who

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00:56:24,150 --> 00:56:21,579

weren't space advocates didn't really

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00:56:26,339 --> 00:56:24,160
follow space weren't looking at it from

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00:56:29,490 --> 00:56:26,349
our program perspective but we're just

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00:56:32,839 --> 00:56:29,500
looking at it from a foreign policy

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00:56:34,859 --> 00:56:32,849
non-proliferation and perspective and

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00:56:36,930 --> 00:56:34,869
having to come up with a completely

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00:56:38,700 --> 00:56:36,940
different set of arguments that would be

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00:56:42,569 --> 00:56:38,710
compelling to them was quite an

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00:56:46,980 --> 00:56:42,579
interesting job to have I'm going to

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00:56:49,290 --> 00:56:46,990
train you for my hearing I think what's

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00:56:51,990 --> 00:56:49,300
what's kind of neat is when you see all

1461
00:56:54,059 --> 00:56:52,000
the different perspectives is we all

1462
00:56:55,710 --> 00:56:54,069
looked at the space station from our own

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00:56:57,839 --> 00:56:55,720

individual perspectives where we were

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00:56:59,490 --> 00:56:57,849

and even at the Centers and they're all

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00:57:01,230 --> 00:56:59,500

slightly different but we're all really

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00:57:03,329 --> 00:57:01,240

describing all the challenges each one

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00:57:05,760 --> 00:57:03,339

of us individually faced they were all

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00:57:07,440 --> 00:57:05,770

different but each one of us worked

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00:57:08,970 --> 00:57:07,450

those challenges and pulled together and

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00:57:11,250 --> 00:57:08,980

i think is here heard the same thing

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00:57:12,660 --> 00:57:11,260

from the other centers today that they

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00:57:14,490 --> 00:57:12,670

also have a slightly different

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00:57:16,890 --> 00:57:14,500

perspective of where they were when as

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00:57:18,569 --> 00:57:16,900

they SAT through this thing sites it's

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00:57:20,579 --> 00:57:18,579

neat to get a chance to share and

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00:57:22,829 --> 00:57:20,589
understand and see how people saw this

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00:57:24,420 --> 00:57:22,839
this thing come together and it's it's

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00:57:26,339 --> 00:57:24,430
interesting it's very different

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00:57:29,760 --> 00:57:26,349
depending on where folks were sitting at

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00:57:31,230 --> 00:57:29,770
what time we ate one more question I

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00:57:33,960 --> 00:57:31,240
think I've got for you guys it's it's 10

1482
00:57:35,460 --> 00:57:33,970
plus years in the future and the word

1483
00:57:37,589 --> 00:57:35,470
deorbiting the space station what's the

1484
00:57:40,349 --> 00:57:37,599
headline what is the legacy of this

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00:57:41,970 --> 00:57:40,359
orbiting laboratory is it just one sound

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00:57:46,370 --> 00:57:41,980
bite that you think would kind of sum it

1487
00:57:51,870 --> 00:57:49,500
this signals the ending of the dawn of

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00:57:54,030 --> 00:57:51,880

the next Industrial Revolution in space

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00:57:56,460 --> 00:57:54,040

I really do believe that we're going to

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00:58:00,329 --> 00:57:56,470

see an industrial revolution this

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00:58:04,140 --> 00:58:00,339

platform is a classic disruptive

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00:58:06,599 --> 00:58:04,150

technology it changes benchtop biology

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00:58:09,540 --> 00:58:06,609

chemistry and physics if we have the

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00:58:11,310 --> 00:58:09,550

wisdom to use it right and although

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00:58:13,800 --> 00:58:11,320

we've come close to letting it slip

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00:58:15,990 --> 00:58:13,810

through our fingers many times over the

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00:58:19,890 --> 00:58:16,000

past 20 years I do think we're destined

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00:58:22,740 --> 00:58:19,900

to succeed with it ultimately you'll

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00:58:25,550 --> 00:58:22,750

agree with that assessment I think the

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00:58:27,720 --> 00:58:25,560

headline of space station extended I

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00:58:30,329 --> 00:58:27,730

know it's hard to think about it going

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00:58:32,460 --> 00:58:30,339

away all right think that's a pretty

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00:58:34,260 --> 00:58:32,470

much all the time we have today thank

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00:58:35,970 --> 00:58:34,270

you for joining us this program the 10th

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00:58:39,540 --> 00:58:35,980

anniversary once again I will officially

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00:58:41,220 --> 00:58:39,550

be on no vember second 2010 we have a

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space shuttle launch coming up scheduled