

A white, boxy rover component, possibly a camera or sensor unit, is mounted on a rocky, reddish-brown Mars surface. The component has a large circular opening on its front face and several smaller sensors or cameras attached to its sides. The background shows a hazy, orange-tinted sky and a rocky horizon.

announced the U.S.
will send ...

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Sending a helicopter to Mars ...
A busy week for our new Administrator ...

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And showcasing how technology enables exploration
– a few of the stories to tell you about

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– This Week at NASA!

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Our administrator Jim Bridenstine announced
the U.S. will send the first helicopter to

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the Red Planet as part of the Mars 2020 rover
mission.

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The small Mars copter will make a series of
test flights in Mars' thin atmosphere, which

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may enable more ambitious missions in the
future.

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Exploring the Moon and Mars was a recurring
theme during a busy third week in office for

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the administrator, including a May 8 industry
day at NASA Headquarters, where he encouraged

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companies to respond to NASA's upcoming
call for commercial delivery missions to the

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Moon.

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"Some of you in this room will deliver payloads to the surface of the moon.

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You will increase our national capabilities and you will help establish our leadership

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in the world."

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We are returning to the Moon with commercial and international partners in support of President

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Trump's Space Policy Directive 1, which is designed to increase science activities

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near and on the Moon, ultimately return humans to the lunar surface, and prepare for missions

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to Mars and beyond.

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"At some point in the past Mars changed.

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We need to understand what caused that - what is the history - so we can better understand

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our own planet."

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The following day, Bridenstine delivered the keynote at the Humans to Mars Summit 2018

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at The George Washington University, in Washington.

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The annual event addresses the technical, scientific and policy challenges of making

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human exploration of Mars a reality.

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On May 9, our astronaut Randy Bresnik and European Space Agency astronaut Paolo Nespoli

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joined NASA officials for our Tech Day on the Hill event.

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The event showcased exhibits from NASA and its industry and academic partners, to help

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demonstrate for Capitol Hill stakeholders and the media the important role technology

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plays in enabling exploration.

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We have signed a second space act agreement with Uber to further explore concepts and

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technologies related to urban air mobility, a system NASA and others are working on today

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to ensure safe and efficient air transportation
above the streets of populated areas in the

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future.

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Uber will share its plans for an aviation
rideshare network, while NASA will use airspace

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management computer modeling and simulation
to assess the impacts of small aircraft in

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crowded environments.

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The recent eruptions of Kilauea volcano on
the island of Hawaii were captured by a Japanese-built

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thermal imager on our Terra spacecraft.

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The May 3 eruption triggered a number of additional
fissure eruptions along the East Rift Zone.

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It also produced high levels of sulfur dioxide
gas – prompting evacuations in the area.

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The image shows the gas in yellow and yellow-green,
including a massive plume of it moving out