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By direction of the President of the United States, the Vice President gave a speech at

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the National Space Council that I think was one of the most historic speeches in space

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history.

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He said, "The next American man and the first woman ever, will be Americans on the

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surface of the Moon within five years."

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That is an extreme declaration and a charge that we are going to live up to at NASA.

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Question is, and everybody here is interested, 'how are you going to do that?'

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The plan is still the same, but those things that we were going to invest in, in 2025,

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2026, 2027 – we're going to move them up.

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Well number one – we need to get EM-1 off the ground in 2020.

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And we are committed to making that happen.

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Now that's going to be a test of an uncrewed Orion crew capsule with the European Service

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Module around the Moon.

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And then as soon as possible thereafter, we need to get EM-2 off the ground, with crew.

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And then, what's next in the architecture?

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Well, we need to accelerate – or keep moving forward very rapidly, as we have been on what

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we call Gateway.

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The first elements of Gateway are focused exclusively on getting humans to the surface

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of the Moon.

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00:01:12,960 --> 00:01:19,080  
We need that power and propulsion element, we need that habitation module, and ultimately

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00:01:19,080 --> 00:01:22,610  
that's going to be our reusable command and service module to get humans to the surface

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of the Moon as soon as possible.

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00:01:24,620 --> 00:01:31,520  
We're going to have a commercial partnership  
– a public/private partnership for an ascent

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module, for the transfer vehicle, and the  
descent module – all of those elements that

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00:01:35,570 --> 00:01:38,390  
get humans to the surface of the Moon in 2024.

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00:01:38,390 --> 00:01:40,780  
We've now divided it into two phases.

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00:01:40,780 --> 00:01:42,990  
The first phase is speed.

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00:01:42,990 --> 00:01:45,830  
We want to get those boots on the Moon as  
soon as possible.

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00:01:45,830 --> 00:01:49,980  
We don't want to take away anything from  
getting those boots on the Moon – anything

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00:01:49,980 --> 00:01:53,770  
that is a distraction from making that happen,  
we're getting rid of.

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00:01:53,770 --> 00:01:57,950  
And when we do CLPS, the Commercial Lunar  
Payload Services, which was one of my first

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initiatives as the NASA Administrator, we're  
going to put small payloads on the surface

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of the Moon by buying access commercially.

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00:02:05,000 --> 00:02:10,580  
We are organizing NASA in order to achieve  
humans to the surface of the Moon as soon

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00:02:10,580 --> 00:02:12,060  
as possible.

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00:02:12,060 --> 00:02:17,410  
Phase 2: sustainability by 2028.

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This is another important capability, it is  
why the Gateway is so important.

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The Gateway is our ability to go the Moon  
fast, for sure.

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00:02:28,440 --> 00:02:31,880  
We want to make sure we're using things  
that already exist, or things that almost

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00:02:31,880 --> 00:02:34,930  
already exist so we can get there soonest.

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00:02:34,930 --> 00:02:39,760  
And we have access – because of the power  
and propulsion element of the Gateway – we

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00:02:39,760 --> 00:02:43,470  
have more access to more parts of the Moon  
than ever before.

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00:02:43,470 --> 00:02:44,930  
Why do we go to the Moon?

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Why is that so important?

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Well, because we're keeping our eyes on the horizon.

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The Moon is a proving ground, it's the best place for us to live and work on another

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world so that we can ultimately go to Mars.

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Know this: the new direction of putting humans on the Moon in 2024 is not an America alone

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effort.

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We need all of our international partners.