

Space Abundance for Humankind's Needs: A Proposal for US Leadership

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We are in a new century with a new US Administration with visions to inspire, improve and preserve all humanity.

The United States will lead Earth's International Community in a long-term vision of solving humankind's resource requirements. All the resources humans will ever need are waiting in Space. America has led in two massive successful models that were historic precedents in the 20th Century. First was its design of the Marshall Plan and Japan's post-WWII recovery. Second was avoiding World War III through the peaceful resolution of the Cold War. Science, technology, and brainpower have reached the point in the 21st Century where achieving universal peaceful human communities and Space settlements is no longer a dream.

The Law of Space Abundance, which states that Space has the resources to meet human needs, has been proven valid. Limited resources have always been the cause of human conflict and catastrophe. The major motives for those in society to terrorize or kill others will be removed. There will remain human pathologies that need additional brainpower to cure.

This plan has the vision to focus Earth's brainpower on accomplishing the means to satisfy humankind's needs for energy, water, food, housing, health care, the arts, and spiritual needs wherever humans live on Earth and wherever they settle in the Solar System and beyond.

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