Глобальна стратегія дослідження Місяця

14 січня 2004 р. президент США Джордж Буш-молодший виступив в штаб-квартирі НАСА з новою ініціативою з освоєння космічного простору, орієнтованою на відновлення пілотованих польотів на Місяць та його активне освоєння, а також організацію експедицій на Марс та інші планети Сонячної системи. Ця ініціатива викликала широкий резонанс у світі. Створення населеної бази на Місяці, у тому числі і як стартової платформи для польотів до інших світів, стало першочерговим завданням цієї програми.

На початку 2006 р. один з керівних органів НАСА (Exploration Systems Mission Directorate) ініціював створення глобальної дослідницької стратегії, орієнтованої перш за все на дослідження Місяця. Основна мета цієї стратегії — дати відповідь на два ключових питання: «Чому ми повинні повернутись до Місяця?» і «Що ми зби-

Table 1. Lunar Exploration Themes. (Why are we going to the Moon?)

| Theme | Description | | | |
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| Core Themes | | | | |
| Use the Moon to prepare for future human missions to Mars and other destinations. | Reduce the risks and increase the productivity of future missions in our solar system by testing technologies, systems, and operations in an off-Earth planetary environment. | | | |
| 2. Pursue scientific activities to address fundamental questions about the solar system, the universe, and our place in them. | Engage in scientific investigations: — Of the Moon: Study the history of the Moon and the current lunar environment to learn about the evolution of our solar system; — On the Moon: Understand the effects of the lunar environment on the Moon's inhabitants and their equipment; — From the Moon: Use the Moon as a platform for performing scientific investigations, observing the Earth and other celestial phenomena. | | | |
| 3. Extend sustained human presence to the Moon to enable eventual settlement. | Develop the knowledge, capabilities, and infrastructure required to live and work on the Moon, with a focus on continually increasing — The number of individuals that can be supported on the Moon; — The duration of time that individuals can remain on the Moon; — The level of self-sufficiency of lunar operations; — The degree of non-governmental activity. | | | |
| Crosscutting Themes | | | | |
| 4. Expand Earth's economic sphere to encompass the Moon, and pursue lunar activities with direct benefits to life on Earth. | Create new markets, based on lunar and cis-lunar activity, that will return economic, technological, and quality-of-life benefits to all humankind. | | | |
| 5. Strengthen existing and create new global partnerships. | Enhance global security by providing a challenging, shared, and peaceful global vision that unites nations in collaborative pursuit of common objectives. | | | |
| 6. Engage, inspire, and educate the public. | Use a vibrant exploration program to excite the public about space, encourage students to pursue careers in high technology fields, and ensure that individuals enter the workforce with the scientific and technical knowledge necessary to sustain exploration. | | | |

раємось там робити?» НАСА запевняє численні національні космічні агентства, а також комерційні і академічні співтовариства в тому, що всі їхні інтереси знайдуть відображення в цій стратегії. Тому вона пропонується для всестороннього обговорення.

Хоча на першому етапі цієї стратегії увага зосереджується на автоматичних і пілотованих

дослідженнях Місяця, у майбутньому вона буде зосереджуватись на дослідженнях Марса та інших об'єктів. НАСА виділяє шість ключових тем глобальної стратегії досліджень Місяця (Table 1), а конкретні цілі цих досліджень сформульовані для 23 категорій, які охоплюють різні сфери людської діяльності (Table 2).

Table 2. Lunar Exploration Objectives

| Category | Objective e ID Number | Name |
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| Astronomy and Astrophysics | mA1 | Perform radio astronomy from the Moon to observe the Sun and other astronomical objects. |
| | mA2 | Perform interferometry on the lunar surface. |
| | mA3 | Perform optical/near-infrared astronomy from the Moon. |
| | mA4 | Detect gravitational waves to understand gravitational physics and test theories of General Relativity. |
| | mA5 | Detect and monitor exoplanets. |
| | mA6 | Perform long-duration study of energetic phenomena visible from the Moon. |
| | mA7 | Use the Moon to search for cold dark matter candidates. |
| Earth Observation | mEO1 | Use the Moon as a remote sensing platform for monitoring the Earth. |
| Geology | mGEO1(1-4) | Understand the origin and structure of the Moon. |
| | mGEO2 | Characterize new impact events similar to those that would degrade more quickly on other planets. |
| | mGEO3(1-2) | Characterize the broad geology of the Moon. |
| | mGEO4(1-2) | Characterize impact cratering flux over the Moon's geologic history. |
| | mGEO5(1-2) | Study meteorite impactors on the Moon. |
| | mGEO6 | Understand the nature and history of solar emissions. |
| | mGEO7 | Characterize and understand the regolith. |
| | mGEO8(1-2) | Characterize lunar volatiles. |
| Materials Science | mMAT1 | Study the affects of the lunar environment on materials so as to design mitigation strategies for extended stays. |
| Human Health | mHH1 | Study the effects of the lunar environment on human health so as to design mitigation strategies for extended stays. |
| | mHH2 | Understand the affects of fractional gravity on human performance and human factors. |
| | mHH3 | Improve remote medical practice infrastructure and technology for fractional gravity to improve health care on the Moon. |
| Environmental Characterization | mENVCH1 | Characterize the lunar thermal environment to better understand the operational environment of the Moon. |
| | mENVCH2 | Characterize geotechnical properties of surface materials to support lunar civil engineering. |
| | mENVCH3 | Characterize radiation bombardment of the lunar surface to better understand the operational environment of the Moon. |
| | mENVCH4 | Characterize micrometeorite bombardment of the lunar surface to better under stand the operational environment of the Moon. |
| | mENVCH5 | Characterize the dust environment of the lunar surface to better understand the operational environment of the Moon. |
| Operational Support Science | mOSS1 | Engage in «kitchen science» activities to learn how to function in the lunar environment. |
| Life support and Habitat | mLSH1 | Provide safe and enduring habitation systems to protect individuals, equipment, and associated infrastructure. |
| | mLSH2 | Develop biologically based life support system components to support long duration human exploration missions. |
| | mLSH3 | Develop and deploy Closed Life Loop Support Systems to increase self sufficiency of future long duration human exploration missions. |

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| Ошоволу | mLSH4 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide agriculture services on the Moon to |
| | IIILS114 | support life support systems. |
| | mLSH5 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide food services on the Moon to support human habitation. |
| | mLSH6 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide waste management services on the Moon to aid life support. |
| | mLSH7 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide health care services on the Moon to aid life support operations. |
| Environmental Hazard Mitigation | mEHM1 | Provide radiation shielding for surface operations to protect crews, materials, and instruments. |
| | mEHM2 | Evaluate and employ dust mitigation techniques to protect crews, materials and instruments during extended lunar stays. |
| Power | mPWR1 | Develop power generation and storage systems required to facilitate increasing surface durations. |
| | mPWR2 | Establish a power architecture where Earth-generated power is transmitted to the lunar surface and to cis-lunar transportation assets. |
| Communication | mCOM1 | Implement a reliable and scalable telecommunications capability to support expanding telecom needs. |
| | mCOM2 | Establish a commercial communications network that can provide high- bandwidth support for public engagement. |
| | mCOM3 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide information services to the greatest extent possible. |
| Guidance, Navigation, and Control | mNAV1 | Establish GNC capabilities to support lunar operations. |
| Surface Mobility | mSM1 | Implement surface mobility systems to support both crew and cargo traverses over increasing distances. |
| Transportation | mTRANS1 | Utilize the commercional sector to provide transportation services on the Moon and to and from the Moon to increase access to the Moon and traversing the Moon. |
| | mTRANS2 | Demonstrate autonomous lander. |
| Operational Environmental Monitoring | mENVMON1 | Monitor space weather to determine risks to lunar inhabitants. |
| | mENVMON2 | Monitor real-time environmental variables affecting safe operations. |
| General Infrastructure | mGINF1 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide finance and insurance services to support businesses operating on the Moon. |
| | mGINF2 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide warehousing services on the Moon to support the lunar base. |
| | mGINF3 | Utilize the commercial sector to develop infrastructure and utilities systems on the Moon to aid lunar operations. |
| | mGINF4 | Emplace support services on the Moon to enable increased activities. |
| Operations, Test, and Verification | mGINF5 | Develop lunar rescue systems. |
| | mOPS1 mOPS2 | Demonstrate human surface operations capability. Demonstrate remote training and planning. |
| | mOPS3 | Conduct Mars Analog tests on the lunar surface. |
| | mOPS4 | Create a commercial astronaut corp to provide scientific, technical, and mission |
| | | support to aid lunar science and operations. |
| | mOPS5 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide arts, entertainment, and recreation on the Moon to provide leisure activities for those living on and visiting the Moon. |
| Lunar Resource Utilization | mOPS6 | Take advantage of the unique lunar environment to create recreation activities for lunar crews and visitors. |
| | mOPS7 | Evaluate astrobiology protocols and technologies that will be used to search for life on other planets. |
| | mLRU1 | Understand the resource potential of the Moon. |
| | mLRU2 | Use lunar resources to enable and support future exploration missions and destinations. |
| | mLRU3 | Reduce reliance on Earth to create a self-sustaining lunar ecology. |
| | mLRU5 | Prove safe utilization of ISRU resources. |

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| | mLRU6 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide construction services on the Moon to |
| | TTATIO | aid lunar base development. |
| | mLRU7 | Utilize the commercial sector to provide manufacturing services on the Moon to aid ISRU. |
| | mLRU8 | Provide Earth with energy derived from lunar resources. |
| | mLRU9 | Perform lunar resources excavation, transport, delivery and construction on the lunar surface. |
| | mLRU10 | Develop and demonstrate tools, technologies and systems to extract and process resources on the Moon. |
| Historic Preservation | mHISP1 | Create international lunar heritage sites to protect the record of early human lunar activity. |
| | mHISP2 | Preserve an archive of Earth's civilization to mitigate the effects of any potential catastrophic events on Earth. |
| Commerce | mC1 | Involve the commercial sector early on and throughout lunar development to embed them in all aspects of lunar activities and increase their involvement. |
| | mC2 | Utilize public-private models to provide goods and services to jump-start commercial sector involvement. |
| | mC3 | Create opportunities for commercialization pilot programs to enable low-cost development of commercial goods and services. |
| | mC4 | Develop profitable lunar products for Earth and in-space use to demonstrate and take advantage of the commercial potential of the Moon. |
| | mC5 | Create a strategy for transferring all aspects of government lunar activities to private industry to enable the shift of government resources to the next generation of projects and enhance commercial involvement on the Moon. |
| | mC6 | Utilize government resources to catalyze more «exotic» industries for eventual ownership and operation by commercial firms. |
| | mC7 | Establish the legal framework required to support commercial collaboration/cooperation on lunar exploration. |
| Global Partnership | mGP1 | Establish a global partnership framework to enable all interested parties (including non-space faring nations and private companies) to participate in lunar exploration. |
| | mGP2 | Establish standards and common interface designs to enable interoperability of systems developed by a global community. |
| | mGP3 | Establish the legal framework required to support global collaboration/cooperation on lunar exploration. |
| | mGP4 | As necessary, establish appropriate legal governance of lunar surface and orbital activities to enable commercial and governmental involvement. |
| | mGP5 | Establish internationally recognized planetary protection mechanisms to prevent forward and backward contamination of the Moon. |
| | mGP6 | Create a model society on the Moon. |
| Public Engagement and Inspiration | mEOR1 | Provide opportunities to engage the public through direct and indirect participation in lunar activities to increase public support of the space program. |
| | mEOR2 | Extend awareness of space activities to diverse, non-traditional communities, utilizing non-traditional means, to enhance public engagement. |
| | mEOR3 | Demonstrate the value of lunar activities for Earth to raise public awareness of the lunar exploration program. |
| | mEOR4 | Provide opportunities to educate students through direct and indirect participation in lunar activities to engage students in the space program. |
| Program Execution | mPE1 | Reduce bureaucracy associated with national space programs. |
| - | mPE2 | Define and execute a long-term exploration strategy, that includes the objectives of all stakeholders, to organize and time-phase future activities. |