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Agenda Released for U.S. Human Space Flight Plans Meeting

WASHINGTON -- The first public meeting of the Review of U.S. Human Space Flight Plans Committee will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 17, at the Carnegie Institute, located at 1530 P Street NW in Washington. The meeting will take place in the auditorium and is open to the public. No pre-registration is required.

The planned agenda is below. All times are EDT.

9 a.m.: Introduction and opening remarks

9:20 a.m.: Summary of past studies

9:30 a.m.: NASA's Constellation Program

10 a.m.: International Space Station partner discussions (European Space Agency and Roscosmos)

11 a.m.: Authorization bills and congressional perspective

Noon: Public comment period

12:30 p.m.: Lunch break

1 p.m.: Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle considerations

2 p.m.: Other commercial launch capabilities

NASA Commercial Orbital Transportation Services (COTS) Program

SpaceX COTS program status

Orbital COTS program status

International Space Station commercial resupply services process and status

3:30 p.m.: Alternative architectures

Direct

Space shuttle side-mount options

4:30 p.m.: Public comment period

5 p.m.: Meeting adjourned

Following the meeting, committee chairman Norman Augustine will answer questions from the news media from approximately 5:05 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. NASA Television will carry the meeting and news conference live on the agency's media channel. Both events also can be viewed on the agency's Web site. To watch the events online, select the media channel at:

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