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The National Aeronautics and Space Administration was established by the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2451 *et seq.*).

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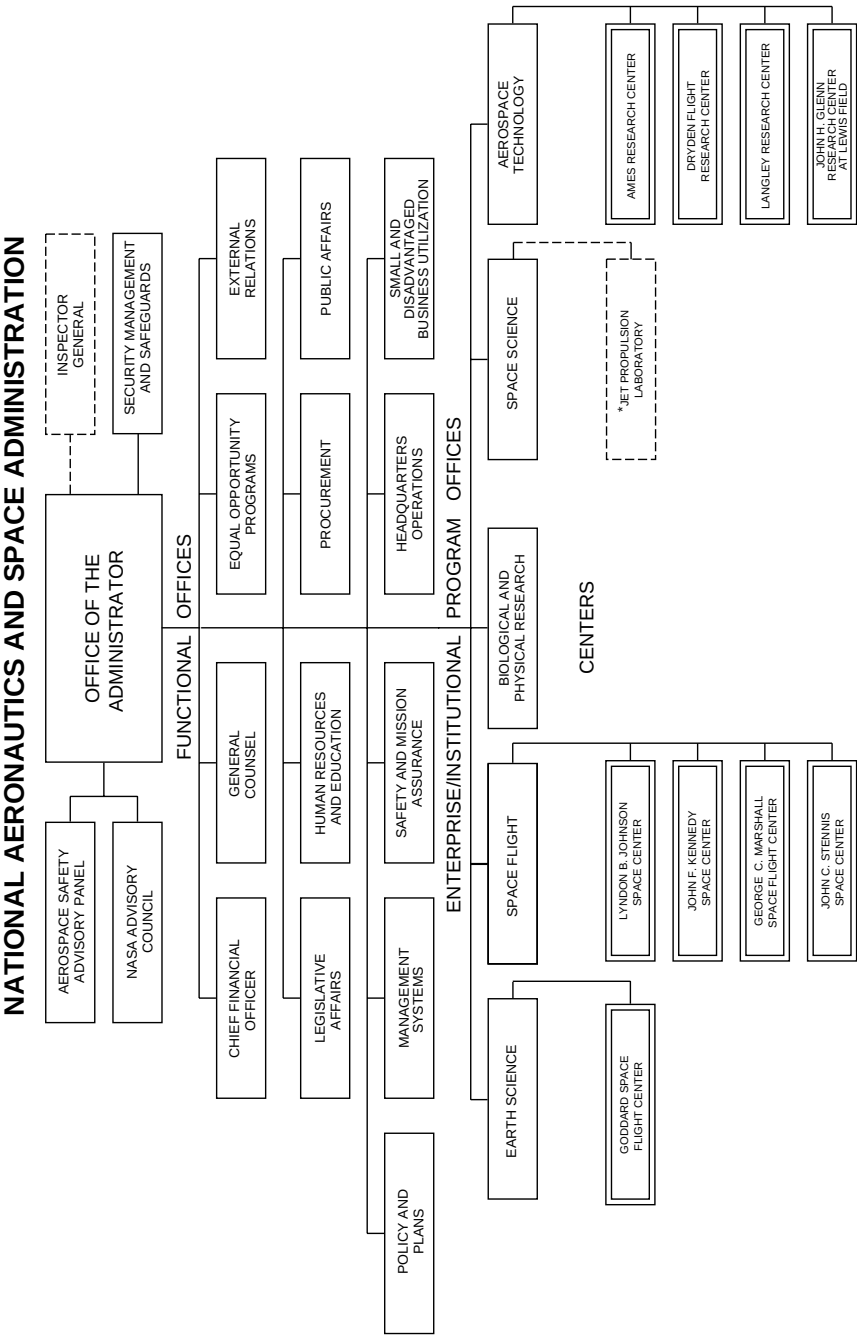
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Biological and Physical Research The Office of Biological and Physical

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Space Flight The Office of Space Flight is responsible for NASA's human space flight program, including space shuttle, international space station, payload carrier, and future human exploration and development of space projects. The Office is responsible for managing the expendable launch vehicles and space communications for both manned and robotic missions, as well as other related space flight activities. It is also responsible for institutional management of the Kennedy Space Center, Marshall Space Flight Center, Johnson Space Flight Center, and the Stennis Space Center.

NASA is leading an international effort to build and deploy a permanently inhabited space station into Earth's orbit. Elements of the space station are provided by Brazil, Canada, Italy, Japan, Russia, and 10 European nations represented by the European Space Agency. The space station will be a permanent outpost in space where humans will live and work productively for extended periods of time. It provides an advanced research laboratory to explore space and employ its resources, as well as the opportunity to learn to build, operate, and maintain systems in space. U.S. elements of the space station are launched aboard the space shuttle and assembled in orbit. The first eight assembly flights were successfully launched from facilities in Russia and

the United States respectively, and a crew of three people has been living aboard the space station since November 2000. A new star is now on the horizon, and construction will be completed in the next few years.

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Space Science The Office of Space Science conducts flight programs and research designed to understand the origin, evolution, and structure of the universe and the solar system. This includes the development of new technologies to continually improve scientific capabilities and to transfer science and technology advances to the public and private sector to ensure U.S. scientific and technical leadership. The Office also manages NASA's activities at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and maintains contacts with the Space Studies Board of the National Academy of Sciences and with other science advisory boards and committees.

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NASA Centers

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Dryden Flight Research Center The Center, located at Edwards Air Force Base, CA, conducts aerospace flight research and aircraft operations in support of agency and national needs, assures preeminent flight research and atmospheric flight operations for science

platform aircraft capability through effective management and maintenance of unique national expertise and facilities, and provides operational landing support for the space shuttle.

Glenn Research Center The John H. Glenn Research Center at Lewis Field, located in Cleveland, OH, provides leadership in aeropropulsion technology and is the center of excellence for turbomachinery. The Center also develops and transfers critical technologies, addressing national priorities through research, technology development, and systems development in aeronautics and space applications. Center specialties include commercial communications and enabling technologies. It also maintains a science research and technology development role in space power and onboard propulsion and microgravity fluid physics and combustion.

Goddard Space Flight Center The Center, which is located in Greenbelt, MD, conducts Earth science and applications programs and Earth-orbiting spacecraft and experiment development and flight operations. It develops and operates tracking and data acquisition systems and conducts supporting mission operations. It also develops and operates *Spacelab* payloads; space physics research programs; life science programs; information systems technology; sounding rockets and sounding rocket payloads; launch vehicles; balloons and balloon experiments; planetary science experiments; sensors for environmental monitoring and ocean dynamics; and manages the development of operational weather satellites for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Johnson Space Center The Lyndon B. Johnson Center, which is located in Houston, TX, is the NASA center of excellence for human operations in space. The Center strives to advance the national capability for human exploration and utilization of space by research, development, and operation of the space shuttle, the international space station (ISS), and other space systems

and by developing and maintaining excellence in the fields of project management, space systems engineering, medical and life sciences, lunar and planetary geosciences, and crew and mission operations. It is also the lead center for several agencywide programs and initiatives, including the space shuttle and ISS program, space operations, extra-vehicular activity (EVA) projects, astromaterials sciences, biomedical research, advanced human support technology, and space medicine.

Kennedy Space Center The John F. Kennedy Center, which is located in Florida, manages space launches including the launching of astronaut crews, space station elements, and a wide variety of payloads. The Center is responsible for launch and payload processing systems and is home to the space shuttle fleet and the expendable launch vehicle program. It leads in the payload carriers and payload processing and support programs and supports the international space station program.

Langley Research Center The Center, located in Hampton, VA, is the NASA center of excellence for structures and materials. In cooperation with industry, other agencies, and academia, it undertakes innovative, high-payoff aerospace activities beyond the risk limit or capability of commercial enterprises. It conducts research to develop vehicle systems technologies and capabilities for the next generation of aerospace vehicles and to develop capabilities for planetary atmospheric entry and flight. In conjunction with the Earth science community, the Center pioneers the scientific understanding of the Earth's atmospheric chemistry and radiation to preserve the environment. The Center also provides independent evaluation, assessment, and cost estimation of agency programs.

Marshall Space Flight Center The George C. Marshall Center, located in Huntsville, AL, is responsible for transportation systems development, microgravity research, and optics manufacturing technology. It is the lead space propulsion center and leads the U.S. space launch initiative, which

brings together government, industry, and academia to develop advanced technologies leading to a new generation of safer, more reliable, and lower cost reusable launch vehicles. The Center develops, integrates, and operates microgravity payloads, experiments, and research. In addition, it supports the Johnson Space Center in developing the international space station facilities. Other programs include microgravity research; space product development; the Chandra X-Ray Observatory Program; and the design, development, and integration of space transportation and propulsion systems including space shuttle propulsion improvements, reusable and expendable launch vehicles, and vehicles for orbital transfer and deep space missions.

Stennis Space Center The John C. Stennis Center, located near Bay St. Louis, MS, conducts rocket propulsion testing. The Center has a lead role in commercial remote sensing applications development; studies and researches Earth system sciences; and provides for technology transfers.

Government-Owned/Contractor-Operated Facility

Jet Propulsion Laboratory The Laboratory, which is operated under contract by the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, CA, develops spacecraft and space sensors and conducts mission operations and ground-based research in support of solar system exploration, Earth science and applications, Earth and ocean dynamics, space physics and astronomy, and life science and information systems technology. It is also responsible for the operation of the Deep Space Network in support of NASA projects.

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OIG Hotline An individual may report crimes, fraud, waste, and abuse in NASA programs and operations by calling the OIG Hotline (phone, 800-424-9183); by writing to the NASA Inspector General, P.O. Box 23089, L'Enfant Plaza Station, Washington, DC 20026; or by sending an electronic message from the OIG's website (Internet, www.hq.nasa.gov/office/org/hq/hotline.html).

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