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Research In Space Can Mean Jobs At Home

(NAPSA)—Space was the place in the early 1960s. At that time, America had more than 100,000 scientists and engineers working in the aerospace industry. Today there are less than 20,000.

The same is true of skilled workers. In the late '60s, there were more than 1.2 million workers in the aerospace workforce. Today, we have less than 600,000.



Historically, the exploration of space has also created consumer products and jobs at home.

Fortunately, the experts at the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) believe NASA's new mandate to go to the "Moon, Mars, and Beyond" may change that trend.

Historically, technology developed for the exploration of space has provided spin-off products and services that benefit our economy and quality of life.

The AIA believes this new mandate will generate highly skilled, high-paying jobs that may be part of the economy for decades to come. They also believe such an endeavor deserves bipartisan support in Congress. They urge the public to let their elected officials know what they think about this program.

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