JOINT STATEMENT OF INTENT
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE INDIAN SPACE RESEARCH ORGANISATION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA
FOR A JOINT EFFORT TO THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION IN 2024

Noting the State Visit by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Washington, D.C. in June 2023 to meet with United States President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., during which the leaders determined to deepen the partnership in space exploration;

Acknowledging the broad and deep strategic partnership between the United States and India and the combined efforts of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) to advance their space programs for a bright and prosperous future;

NASA and ISRO intend to deepen their partnership in space exploration and mount a joint effort to the International Space Station (ISS) in 2024. NASA has informed ISRO that Axiom Space Inc. has been awarded a contract for a fourth mission to the ISS, targeted to launch no earlier than Fall 2024.

NASA and ISRO intend to develop an Implementing Arrangement under the Framework Agreement between NASA and ISRO for Cooperation in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space for Peaceful Purposes to define cooperation for terrestrial and on-orbit activities.

Based on the above considerations, ISRO affirms it intends to procure a seat to the ISS and to select a suitable crew member.

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