Team – number of quick items from today’s tag:

**DM / OCHMO Private Astronaut NID/NPR** – approve extension under the proposed plan. Bale will talk with JD on overall status.
Dennis, Bale

I will need another extension on the commercial crew NID. Here is what we are working to get clarified:

1. We needed to wait until the FAA hearing to see if FAA was going to be allowed to levy medical standards on the private industry. Congress elected to defer that authority further, now until January. So we will have no conflicts with our standards.

2. I need to have a discussion with Jim and Pam on what their appetite for risk of LOM is for private and commercial (CLDP) missions. We only have a small amount of medical standards levied on the private astronauts and currently only when they come to ISS and could impact our mission. The difficulty is on the CLDP missions, we will have mixed crews. The private astronauts currently would not be held to the same standard, nor do we do their primary care as we do our astronauts, and thus the risk for them having a medical issue and potential evac is much higher. The question is whether that risk for LOM due to a medical issue is acceptable to the agency or if they want me to levy higher standards.

3. We have gone round and round with legal, OIIR, Commercial Crew, etc on the term “government astronaut”. It took us forever to get a nuanced term everyone would agree to. Lesley has the patience of Job.

Once I get the conversation done on #2, I will have commanders intent and update the document accordingly. Then we will put it in NODIS.

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Good afternoon, and thank you for your patience on this Private Astronaut Missions (PAM) and suborbital missions NPR. As Dr. Polk hasn’t had the opportunity to discuss item #2 in the attached email with the A-suite, we are still working on this one. Apologies for not requesting another extension sooner. So for revised schedule of the “PAM NID” expiration date and NPR milestones to publication, I suggest the following:

New NID expiration date 6/9/2025

Intermediate milestones under the longer timeline (I don’t quite understand conversion of the old version to the new one since sub-elements of the previous timeline were combined and changed):

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Subject: RE: NID 8900 and NPR 8900 - FOLLOW UP

Hi Leslie,

On March 29, the Chief of Staff approved a waiver request to extend expiration dates for the subject directives to 12/31/24 based on the conditional timeline below. None of the items in the timeline have been met. Can OCHMO propose another timeline so that it can be reported to the Chief of Staff? Please respond by 12 noon tomorrow. Thanks.

- 4/30 – OCHMO will finalize the NPR, load most recent version in NODIS, issue the Standard, then notify DMT.
- 4/30 – DMT will send an e-mail to DMs requesting revalidation of old concurrences and obtain SOMD’s concurrence. OCHMO will provide additional language for this request.
- 5/30 – Reviewing offices and Centers will revalidate their concurrences. Note: If SOMD doesn’t concur, it will be documented and their concurrence will be assumed and/or the impasse will be elevated to the Directives Resolution Official.
- 6/10 – OCHMO will coordinate the 30-day attorney/union review.
- 7/10 – DMT will forward NPR to EO.

Please finalize the NPR and load in NODIS by COB tomorrow, 4/30. DMT will coordinate revalidations of concurrences. Let me know if you have questions.

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A workmanship created unto good works. (Eph 2:10)
Whatever you do...big or small...do it well...or don’t do it at all. (Chuck Brown)
Have a good day, but if you can’t...don’t you dare go messing up nobody else’s. (Tabitha Brown)