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To the HEOMD Team,

The ISS National Lab, currently being managed by the Center for the Advancement of Science in Space (CASIS), is an important part of NASA's efforts to commercialize low Earth orbit (LEO). In order to ensure proper alignment of the ISS National Laboratory with our LEO commercialization approach, two actions are being taken.

1. The heads of the Science Mission Directorate and the Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate will jointly commission an Independent Review to assess whether the ISS National Laboratory is on mission and appropriately organized and resourced to improve life here on Earth.
2. For the duration of the review, NASA's liaison to the ISS National Lab will move from HEOMD's ISS Division to the low Earth orbit commercialization activity currently being led by Doug Comstock.

I appreciate all of your efforts as we work to develop the low Earth orbit economy. Feel free to stop by my office if you have any questions.

Ken