



THE WHITE HOUSE
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Dear Mr. Jaquez,

Thank you for writing to me about the wonders of space.

Our Nation's space program has always blazed trails into the deep unknown—from landing the first humans on the Moon to launching the Space Shuttle and International Space Station programs and developing the climate-monitoring Earth System Observatory. And we're just getting started.

Recently, NASA launched the world's newest and most powerful deep-space telescope to peer back in time to the origin of the Universe. Thanks to the James Webb Space Telescope, we can now see light from the oldest galaxies over 13 billion years ago, a testament to the power of American ingenuity and collaboration.

We will continue to invest in science and technology in order to accomplish great things. Importantly, in collaboration with commercial and international partners, NASA will lead a triumphant return to the Moon with the Artemis program. This innovative and sustainable program will land the first woman and first person of color on the Moon, establish a long-term presence on the Moon, and learn about living and working farther away from Earth than ever before in preparation to send the first astronauts to Mars.

Thank you again for sharing your enthusiasm for space and what lies beyond the cosmos. Together we will continue to show the world that our Nation can do big things, and that there is nothing beyond our capabilities. America is defined by possibilities, and the endless possibilities of space exploration are within our reach.

Sincerely,