



UN/NIGERIA WORKSHOP ON SPACE LAW
NOVEMBER 21-24, 2005

“WAYS AND MEANS OF COORDINATING
NATIONAL SPACE-RELATED ACTIVITIES”

KEN HODGKINS
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RATIONALE FOR COORDINATION OF SPACE ACTIVITIES



- ENSURE SPACE ACTIVITIES CONTRIBUTE TO NATIONAL OBJECTIVES
 - SECURITY
 - SCIENTIFIC
 - ECONOMIC
 - SOCIETAL
- CONSISTENT WITH TREATY OBLIGATIONS - OST ARTICLE VI
- CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT
- PUBLIC SAFETY AND CONSISTENT WITH NATIONAL LAWS

POLICIES

- NATIONAL SPACE POLICY
- GPS
- COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION
- COMMERCIAL REMOTE SENSING
- SPACE EXPLORATION PROGRAM
- FULFILL CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS
- ESTABLISH INTERAGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES
- SETS OUT NATIONAL GOALS, OBJECTIVES, PRIORITIES



MECHANISMS

- PRIVATE SECTOR ADVISORY COMMITTEES
- CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS
- INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUPS ESTABLISHED BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVES
- POLICY COORDINATION COMMITTEE FOR SPACE
 - NSC LEADS
 - WORKING LEVEL
 - DEPUTIES COMMITTEE
 - CABINET
 - PRESIDENT
- DEVELOP POLICY & RESOLVE INTERAGENCY DISPUTES



ACTORS

- DEPARTMENT OF STATE
 - EXPORT CONTROL
 - TREATIES
 - FOREIGN POLICY
- DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
- INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY
- US TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
- NOAA
- NASA
- US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
- FAA
- NSC
- OSTP
- OMB



CONGRESS

- OVERSIGHT
- AUTHORIZATION & FUNDING
- LAWS REQUIRING FURTHER REGULATORY ACTION
 - REMOTE SENSING - NOAA
 - COMMERCIAL SPACE LAUNCH - FAA



STRENGTHES & WEAKNESSES

- BUREAUCRATIC – SO WHAT? THIS IS GOVERNMENT!
- SYSTEMATIC WAY TO MANAGE VITAL TOOL FOR NATIONAL WELL BEING
- BOTTOM UP APPROACH
- AGENCY INTERESTS FULLY REFLECTED
- MULTI-DISCIPLINARY
- SCIENTIFIC , SECURITY, ECONOMIC, FOREIGN POLICY BALANCED AT ALL LEVELS
- TRANSPARENT
 - PRESS BRIEFED
 - DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS

