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John F. Hall, Jr., is a native of Washington, D.C., who presently serves as the Senior Advisor to the President of the Polish Space Agency (POLSA) in Warsaw, Poland. His work at POLSA focuses upon assisting the Agency in developing and executing Poland's landmark National Space Program, development of the nation's Space Law, and advancement of Poland's space goals and enterprises.

Mr. Hall most recently served as the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Director for Export Control and Interagency Liaison until his retirement 2017. In this capacity, he oversaw administration of the NASA Export Control Program and coordination of Agency-level policy interactions with U.S. Executive Branch departments and agencies, as well as NASA participation in United Nations activities and programs. Notably, Mr. Hall led NASA's participation in the development of all National Space Policies and other key space-related policies during three Presidential Administrations. He authored several Articles of the landmark International Space Station Agreements of 1998, including those addressing Criminal Jurisdiction, Transfers of Goods and Technical Data, Customs, and the International Space Station Code of Conduct.

Prior to this post, he served as NASA's Manager for International Technology Transfer Policy, and the Agency's Export Control Administrator. From 1994 to 2000, Mr. Hall served as the Senior Counsel for International and Commercial Space Programs at NASA Headquarters. He has been awarded NASA's Spaceship Earth Award for outstanding community service and leadership, as well as citations from NASA's Office of the Inspector General, the Kennedy Space Center, and numerous NASA programs and missions.

Before joining NASA, Mr. Hall spent several years as a Senior Attorney in the Office of the General Counsel at the United States Department of Commerce, where he counseled political principals, foreign governments, and client agencies on international trade and export control policies affecting national security, foreign policy, and economic interests. He additionally advised U.S. industry regarding export control policy and regulations. In 1994, Mr. Hall was awarded the Commerce Department's highest honor, the Gold Medal, for his work in developing effective export control programs in the newly-democratic nations of Central and Eastern Europe.

Previously, Mr. Hall served as a successful international trade and trial attorney in private law practice with the Washington, D.C., firm of Preston, Gates and Ellis, where his practice focused upon international trade, international law, and defense litigation. Mr. Hall also served in the United States Senate on the staff of Senator Pete V. Domenici for four years.

Mr. Hall is the author of numerous nationally- and internationally-published articles, and has been a frequent speaker on space, national security, export control, nonproliferation, and international policy matters.

He served three terms as an elected City Councilmember for the City of Rockville, Maryland, being reelected to three terms in that office by the largest margin of any candidate. Rockville is the County seat Maryland's largest county, and one of the largest cities in the State of Maryland.

During his service on the City Council, Mr. Hall was a member of the Maryland Municipal League and the National League of Cities. He was a strong advocate of advancing public safety, and his landmark proposal to require all new single-family homes built in Rockville to be equipped with fire-suppression systems was an initiative that led the State, quickly followed by adoptions by Montgomery County and other jurisdictions.

Before he was first elected to the City Council in 2001, Mr. Hall served for nearly five years on the Rockville City Traffic and Transportation Commission, serving two consecutive terms as its Chairman, from 1999 to 2001, being the first Commissioner elected to consecutive terms as chairman. He also served as a member of the Board of the Directors and life member of Peerless Rockville Historic Preservation, and as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Montgomery County Parent-Teacher Association.

Mr. Hall was a nationally-licensed Paramedic, emergency medical services provider, and Master Firefighter, serving for more than two decades as an active member of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad. He also served for several years as vice president of the Rescue Squad, as well as a member of its Board of Directors.

Mr. Hall is a graduate of the Washington & Lee University School of Law and Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. He also completed independent study in Warsaw, Poland, for undergraduate and law school, as well as law studies in Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia. He lives in Poland with his wife, Malgosia, and son, Jan.