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**SENATE COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, AND TECHNOLOGY**
Wednesday, March 29, 2017
2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 414
in consideration of
SCR 73 / SR28
**REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT TO ESTABLISH
THE MULTINATIONAL LUNAR ARCHITECTURE ALLIANCE.**

Chairs Nishihara and Wakai, Vice Chairs Wakai and Taniguchi, and Members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism **offers comments on** these resolutions, which promote the formation of an international team of representatives from governments, industry, and universities worldwide to provide recommendations and guidance for development of a prototype multinational lunar base on the Island of Hawaii.

DBEDT notes that the Office of Aerospace Development (OAD) needs funding for the OAD Director position in order to carry out an initiative of this magnitude.

Although we appreciate the intent of these resolutions, we respectfully recommend that they be deferred in favor of SCR63/SR21, because:

- (1) The proposed Multinational Lunar Architecture Alliance could be discussed if the proposed Lunar Summit is held in October (as proposed in SCR63/SR21), rather than “through an organizational teleconference” by August 1);
- (2) Membership in the Alliance would be subject to regulations governing such type of engagement in proposed member organizations, which is why the language in SCR63/SR21 reads “with the goal of engaging representatives from,” rather than

being resolved “that the Alliance be comprised of representatives from” (as proposed in SCR73/SR28); and

- (3) The objective of this resolution is to communicate the Legislature’s request to key organizations that would likely want to join the MLAA alliance and these organizations are listed in the “be it further resolved” clause at the end of SCR63/SR21.

The proposed Multinational Lunar Architecture Alliance (MLAA) would provide an interactive framework for government, industry, and university professionals to explore options for developing prototype lunar structures and technologies that could be tested and validated on the Island of Hawaii’s lunar-like terrain (for eventual deployment on the Moon). If the proposed International Lunar Development Summit is held in the fall of 2017, there will be an opportunity for a discussion on the MLAA and for site visits to possible prototype habitat locations on the Big Island.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on these resolutions.

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Comments:

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