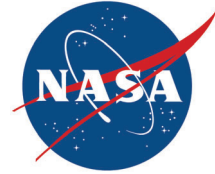


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Reply to Attn of: CC

TO: All NASA Employees

FROM: CC/Chief Counsel

SUBJECT: Determination Regarding Attendance by NASA Employees at the National Space Club Florida Committee Debus Awards Dinner, July 30, 2021

The National Space Club Florida Committee (NSCFC), a nonprofit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, will host the Debus Awards Dinner at the Kennedy Space Center (KSC) Visitor Complex on Friday, July 30, 2021. This annual award was created by NSCFC to recognize a person who has made a particularly important contribution to U.S. aerospace efforts while working in Florida. It is named for KSC's first Director, Dr. Kurt Debus. This year's award will honor Tony Tallancich from United Launch Alliance. He is the Director and General Manager for Launch Operations. Approximately 200 guests will attend the dinner. These guests include corporate executives, representatives of aerospace contractors and other organizations, members of academia, and representatives of state and Federal government. The approximate value of the dinner is \$100 a person.

In accordance with 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g), Gifts of Free Attendance at Widely Attended Gatherings, I find this event meets the requirements of a *widely attended gathering*, and I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having NASA personnel attend this event because their participation will further agency programs and operations. Specifically, this event allows NASA employees to honor and show support for a program recognizing important contributions to U.S. aerospace efforts. This event also provides a forum for the attendees to disseminate information on NASA's ongoing activities and to discuss matters of interest to NASA with a diverse group of fellow attendees. Because of these benefits to NASA, and having considered the factors enumerated in 5 CFR § 2635.204(g)(4), I also find that the Agency's interest in the invited NASA employees' attendance outweighs the concern that such employees may be, or may appear to be, improperly influenced in the performance of official duties.

Accordingly, I have determined that NASA KSC invitees may accept their invitations for complimentary attendance at these events.

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