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The Honorable James Risch
Senate Foreign Relations Committee
423 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Chairman Risch and Ranking Member Shaheen:

On behalf of the Commercial Space Federation (CSF), the leading trade association representing the U.S. commercial space industry, I write to convey CSF's support for S. 4570, the U.S. Tech PATH Act.

In the face of China's growing use of space and telecommunications infrastructure and technology as a tool of global influence, it is paramount that the U.S. government have multiple tools available to support and accelerate the adoption of U.S. industry capabilities abroad. The U.S. Tech PATH Act provides such a tool, helping to counter such direct Chinese influence by creating an accessible pathway for partner governments to procure trusted U.S. capabilities. CSF particularly appreciates the bill's demand-driven approach, which allows potential partners to identify their own needs while the U.S. helps them navigate procurement, financing, logistics, and capacity-building, and the establishment of embedded technical expertise in our local embassies ensures that those local partnerships are built to endure.

CSF urges the Committee to consider expanding the bill's scope or clarifying in report language that digital services include the provision of space-based data and services like commercial remote sensing data, satellite communications, and broadband internet connectivity. As CSF's Redshift report details, China has facilitated over 80 international space diplomacy infrastructure projects through loans and long-term maintenance contracts under the Belt and Road Initiative. Its Space Information Corridor streamlines satellite services, navigation data, ground station access, and technical training into integrated packages deliberately designed to create long-term dependency among partner nations – from Venezuela's telecom infrastructure to Egypt's Chinese supported Space City. U.S. commercial space companies are exceptionally well-positioned to offer a trusted alternative across these service needs.

CSF thanks the Committee for its consideration, and we look forward to continuing to work with Congress and the Department of State to ensure that the United States remains the partner of choice for trusted technology – on the ground and in orbit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. L. [unclear]". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dave Cavossa
President
Commercial Space Federation