

## **Opening Statement of Chairman Brian Babin**

Full Committee Hearing

Member Day Hearing

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Good morning, everyone. Welcome to the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee's Member Day hearing for the 119<sup>th</sup> Congress.

I appreciate our colleague's efforts today to share his interests and priorities within the Committee's jurisdiction. His willingness to voice his constituents' concerns is critical in shaping our discussions and enhancing our collective efforts.

As I have said before, the spotlight is on us, folks. The world has never paid as much attention to the matters within this Committee's purview as it does right now, and we are ready to lead the charge.

We have a full agenda ahead, and I am confident that through collaboration, we will make significant progress in maintaining America's leadership in science and technology.

This includes our commitment to propelling humanity into new frontiers by advancing space exploration, driving scientific discovery, and spearheading cutting-edge technologies in fields like quantum computing and artificial intelligence.

With several important hearings already behind us, we look forward to advancing our legislative efforts soon. Together, we will endeavor to ensure America remains a global competitor at the helm of these crucial issues.

Let's continue the great work!