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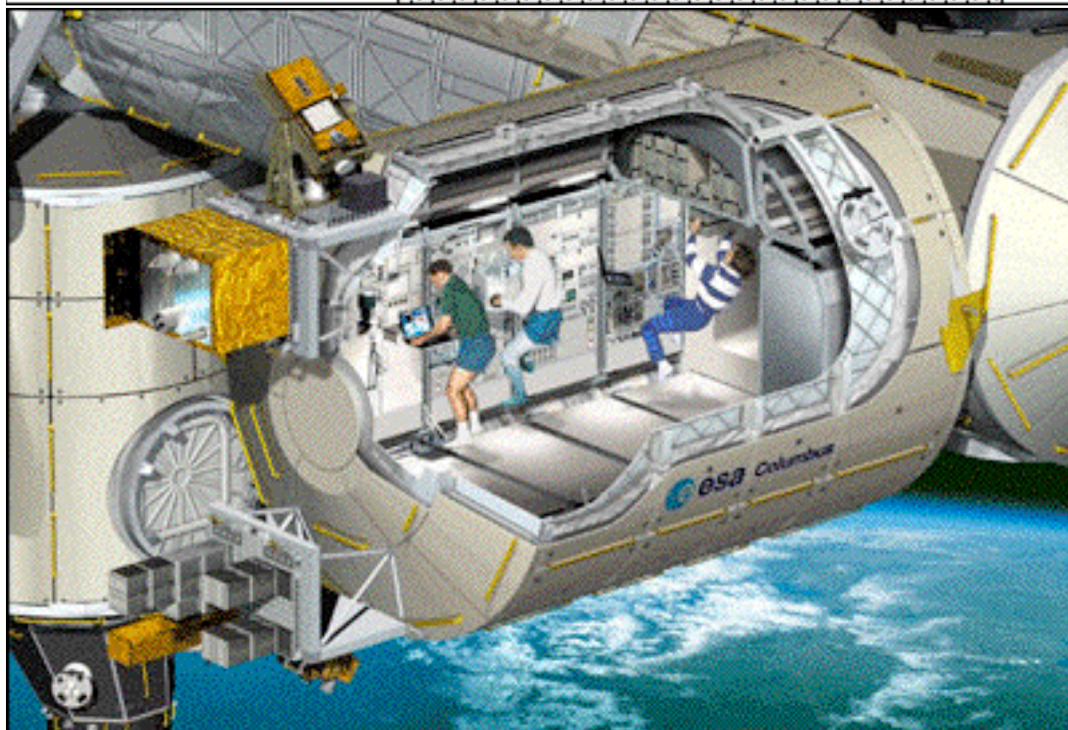
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Europe's significant contribution to the International Space Station was delivered by SS Atlantis Feb. 7th. The 24.5 foot diameter module adds significant research capabilities to ISS, while sharing life support systems with Italy's Multi-Purpose Logistics complex. ISS is a functioning International partnership involving the U.S., Russia, Canada, Europe, and Italy, and, in the near future, Japan. In this context, NASA's determination to "go it alone" on the Moon is in dire need of a major attitude adjustment.

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Can Lunar Pioneers truly be happily "at home?" >>

Right > Moonbase Alpha from "Space 1999" TV series sprouts a "happy face." It's one thing to send volunteers to the Moon for limited periods. You can handle almost anything, if you know it is temporary. But what will we have to do to create an environment in which pioneers who come to stay will in time no longer feel surrounded by an "alien," unforgiving, hostile life-squelching world? That is the topic of our major article this issue, pp. 3-8

In FOCUS ESA Columbus Module Flies: International Moonbase Next?

The United States, presuming the next Administration which takes office January 20, 2009, does not cancel NASA's current mission to deploy a permanent facility on the Moon by 2020, may not be alone. Russia, China, and India have declared their intentions of getting in on the action. So far, only Russia has asked to partner with NASA, and that suggestion was turned down out of hand by the agency. Has working with Russia been that bad? ISS would have long crashed into the [> p. 2, col. 2]

