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TITLE: *USA Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai Completes Substantial Construction*

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Dubai, UAE - The U.S. Mission to the UAE is pleased to announce the completion of substantial construction of the U.S. Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai.

U.S. Ambassador to the UAE and Commissioner General of the U.S. Pavilion, John Rakolta Jr., and Counselor of the U.S. Department of State T. Ulrich Brechbühl presided over the pavilion handover ceremony. The completion of construction is an important milestone, underscoring the commitment of the United States to participate in Expo 2020 Dubai – the next World’s Fair.

Major exhibition installation will occur in early 2021, and final finishing will take place over the summer, so that the U.S. Pavilion will be ready to open on Expo 2020’s opening day, October 1, 2021.

Working with global design and production partner Thinkwell Group, the U.S. Pavilion will present a unique experience for visitors, celebrating American values and culture with the theme, “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of the Future.” Guests will learn how innovation and creativity thrive in an environment powered by American freedoms.

Our state-of-the-art exhibition will recognize how U.S. leadership in the space sector is charging forward to make space accessible to all. The U.S. Pavilion is proud to feature the tallest item on Expo 2020 grounds of any country pavilion: a one-to-one scale replica of a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. At 14 stories tall, Falcon 9 is the first orbital class rocket capable of re-flight. Falcon 9 is the most-flown operational rocket in the United States, overtaking expendable rockets that launched for decades.

As the first World’s Fair to be hosted in the Middle East, Expo 2020 Dubai will draw visitors from around the region to take part in six-months of extraordinary programming and business engagement opportunities. Through our nonprofit partner Global Ties U.S., the U.S. Pavilion is actively recruiting cultural performers and speakers to appear at the pavilion, along with bilingual Americans to serve as Youth Ambassadors and pavilion guides.

For more information, please visit www.usapavilion.org.