Policy Analysis of Five Selected Countries					
Common Motives of Space Programs (Defined by Gibbs, 2012) modified by author	USA NATIONAL SPACE POLICY of the UNITED STATES of AMERICA (2010) (from Goals)	Russia Strategy of development of space activities in Russia until 2030 and beyond (2012) (from Principles)	China Full text of white paper on China's space activities in 2016 (from Visions)	ESA Resolution on the European Space Policy (2007) (from Strategic Mission)	Japan Basic Plan for Space Policy (2009) (from Six Basic Pillars)
1. Discovery/ Knowledge and Understanding	 Pursue human and robotic initiatives Improve space-based Earth and solar observation 	 Survival of human civilization Rational development challenges of deep space Develop and implement major projects in the study and exploration of outer space 	 Make scientific discovery and research at the cutting edge Make positive contributions to human civilization and progress. 	 Contribute to the knowledge-based society by investing strongly in space-based science, and playing a significant role in the international exploration endeavor 	 Create the foundation stone of an energetic future by promoting space science A lunar exploration, human space activity and a space solar power program
2. Economic Growth - Job Creation and New Markets	• Energize competitive domestic industries	• Development of technical and economic potential of the country	• Capabilities to make innovations independently	 Ensure a strong and competitive space industry which fosters innovation, growth and the development Develop and exploit space applications serving Europe's public policy objectives 	• Place the space industry among the strategic industries in the 21 st century and enhance industrial competitiveness
3. National Prestige/ Leadership	(Guidance level) Strengthen US leadership in space-related science, technology, and industrial bases	 Achieve the leading position of Russian science 	• Provide strong support for the realization of the Chinese Dream of the renewal of the Chinese nation	(Guidance level) The EU, ESA and their Member States have to continue to invest strongly to maintain leadership in space- based science	None
4. Security and Defense	• Increase assurance and resilience of mission-essential functions against disruption, degradation, and destruction	• Ensure the necessary level of national security and Russia's status as a leading space power	• Effectively and reliably guarantee national security	Meet Europe's security and defense needs	 Ensure a Rich, Secure and Safe Life by using space-based infrastructure. Promote the use of space in the field of national security
5. Education	(Guidance level) Develop and Retain Space Professionals	(Guidance level) fund for educational centers	• Have an advanced and open space science and technology industry, pioneering and innovative professionals	(Guidance level) Europe faces a severe reduction in the interest in Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) among young people as well as in the pursuit of SET careers	(Guidance level) The government will promote both training of engineers and researchers, and educating children and measures for public relations.
6. International Relations/ Rule Making	 Expand international cooperation (sharing of space- derived information.) Strengthen stability in space through: domestic and international measures to promote safe and responsible operations in space 	• Russia will consistently defend the fundamental right of any country in the independent access to space, obligations on non-proliferation of missile technology. Russia will not recognize the claims of sovereignty over outer space	• Exercise sound and efficient governance, and to carry out mutually beneficial international exchanges and cooperation	• Secure unrestricted access to new and critical technologies, systems and capabilities in order to ensure independent European space applications	 Providing imagery data to Asian neighbors in the event of disaster and providing necessary information to resolve the global warming and other global environmental concerns Considering both the global and the space environment, such as space debris issue.