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The Space Race (Russian: ■■■■■■■■■■■ ■■■■■, romanized: kosmicheskaya gonka, IPA:  
[k■s■m■it■■sk■j■ ■■onk■]) was a 20th-century competition between the Cold War rivals, the  
United States and the Soviet Union, to achieve superior spaceflight capability. It had its origins in the  
ballistic missile-based nuclear arms race between the two nations following World War II and the onset  
of the Cold War. The technological advantage demonstrated by spaceflight achievement was seen as