

# The Mercury Accord (MER Framework)

## A Lawful Continuity Overlay for Trade, Fiscal, and Labor Liquidity

The MER Framework introduces a lawful, zero-appropriation modernization path for macroeconomic continuity. It operates through two programmable levers—**Velocity** (timing) and **Liquidity** (flow)—to stabilize importer refunds, workforce pay assurance, and financial signaling during fiscal disruptions.

| Layer                                       | Purpose  |
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| Two-Lever Model                             | Programmable control of refund timing (velocity) and liquidity guardrails (flow).    |
| Shutdown Contingency Activation Layer       | Antideficiency-compliant refund and liquidity continuity during shutdowns.           |
| Continuity Labor Stabilization Layer (CLSL) | Lawful deferred-pay recognition and liquidity access for excepted federal employees. |
| Orbital Infrastructure & System Resilience  | Satellite-linked redundancy ensuring continuity of customs and payments.             |

### Outcomes:

- Maintains lawful trade and labor liquidity during fiscal lapses.
- Stabilizes importer cash flow and employee financial continuity.
- Enables transparent, data-driven fiscal resilience.
- Demonstrates global leadership in continuity modernization.

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