Subject: Re: Navigation. Posted by Berkut on Wed, 15 Dec 2010 01:43:14 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Whoah whoah, who said anything about 'invading?' Commerce? Art? Culture? Do these mean nothing?

Also, suppose the original system used a series of static beacons placed by survey teams. No such thing this far out, no means to gauge motion.

Escaping atmosphere is supposedly easier than re-entering in the sense that it's easier to climb a cliff than to jump off one and expect to live. Approaching at the wrong speed or angle means either skipping off it like a stone on water, or smashing violently into it and burning up. Or missing it entirely, but you'd have to be pretty stupid...

I suppose since the concept of degrees might be easy to communicate it could be a matter of using the sun as a static point and giving angular degrees relative to Earth at the given time.

Of course this is just daydreaming. Since Earth gets taken out in a bit by the 1950DA asteroid. And by its core having stopped spinning. And global warming. And particle bombardment from the sun boiling the Earth's outer core. And Al Gore winning an Emmy for Inconvenient Truth.