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Now that NASA has selected them as commercial crew providers, Boeing and SpaceX will begin final development and certification of their new vehicles to ferry astronauts to the International Space Station from American soil.

NASA's goal is that Boeing's CST-100 and SpaceX's Crew Dragon end America's sole reliance on Russia for rides to the orbiting laboratory in 2017.

When Orion splashes down in the Pacific after its first flight test in December, a team from KSC will be there to oversee its recovery. This latest in a series of Underway Recovery Tests off the coast of San Diego was successfully conducted by NASA, Lockheed Martin and the U.S. Navy.

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