from launch complex 39 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida this is shuttle launch control at t-minus three hours and holding we are now about to enter the final five hours of the countdown for the launch of Atlantis on mission controlled from firing room for at the launch control center and we are on schedule for liftoff targeted for 220 p.m. eastern time this is the 132nd launch of the space shuttle program the 32nd launch of space shuttle atlantis and the 34th shuttle flight to the
International Space Station this will be a 12-day mission with the landing at Kennedy Space Center currently planned for May 26 that 844 am there are six astronauts who will shortly be aboard atlantis in route to a rendezvous with the International Space Station there are three planned EV azor spacewalks during the mission that will last approximately six hours during the one-week period that atlantis will be docked with the International Space Station for launch countdown began here in firing room for of the launch control
center at four pm on Tuesday afternoon

there are 70 hours 15 minutes in the countdown including built-in holes

leading to the opening of the launch window there are two remaining plan

built-in holes to come in the countdown

today a ten minute hold at the t minus 20 minute mark at 105 BM and a 40 minute hold at the t minus nine minute mark at 126 p.m. and in this current built-in hold at t minus three hours we have one hour and 22 minutes remaining in the hold the retraction of the gantry light rotating service structure from around
atlantis was at 529 p.m. on thursday

yesterday afternoon after that time

switches in the cockpit were configured

for launch by astronaut

personnel aboard atlantis and yesterday

afternoon there was also a final stowage

of time critical items at the crew will use during the mission as well as the

science experiments placed aboard the

mid deck and then personnel began to be cleared from the launch pad and the

orbiters cryogenic fuel cells were activated just before midnight with one

hour 18 minutes 47 seconds remaining in

his plan built-in hold were at t-minus
three hours and holding this is shuttle launch control