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00:00:00,550 --> 00:00:03,440

Good day, this is Mission Control Houston.

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00:00:03,440 --> 00:00:07,860

Thank you for joining us for today's  
ISS Update this Friday, November 4.

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00:00:07,860 --> 00:00:10,700

This week has been a busy  
week for the crew aboard.

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00:00:10,700 --> 00:00:15,980

Aboard the International Space Station Monday,  
Expedition 29 Commander Mike Fossum had worked

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00:00:15,980 --> 00:00:22,920

with the Space Dynamically Responding Ultrasonic  
Matrix System, also known as SpaceDRUMS.

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00:00:22,920 --> 00:00:28,060

It's a suite of hardware that uses sound waves  
to allow experiment samples to be processed

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00:00:28,060 --> 00:00:30,660

without ever touching a container wall.

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This allows materials to  
be produced in microgravity

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00:00:33,500 --> 00:00:36,900

with an unparalleled quality  
of shape and composition.

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00:00:36,900 --> 00:00:40,750

The goal is to develop advanced materials  
of a commercial quantity and quality,

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00:00:40,750 --> 00:00:44,600

and help improve manufacturing processes on Earth.

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00:00:44,600 --> 00:00:47,230

He had also spent time on the Earth Knowledge Acquired

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00:00:47,230 --> 00:00:50,190

by Middle School Students, or EarthKAM, experiment.

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00:00:50,190 --> 00:00:53,640

EarthKAM is an education activity that allows middle school students

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00:00:53,640 --> 00:00:57,450

to program a digital camera aboard the station to photograph a variety

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00:00:57,450 --> 00:01:00,100

of geographical targets for study in the classroom.

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00:01:00,100 --> 00:01:04,510

Photos are then made available online for viewing and study

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00:01:04,510 --> 00:01:06,690

by participating schools around the world.

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00:01:06,690 --> 00:01:11,020

Educators use the images for projects involving Earth Science,

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00:01:11,020 --> 00:01:13,750

geography, physics and social science.

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00:01:13,750 --> 00:01:18,410

Meanwhile on Monday, Flight Engineer Satoshi Furukawa had collected and analyzed samples

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00:01:18,410 --> 00:01:23,950

from the station's Potable Water System using the Total Organic Carbon Analyzer, or TOCA,

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00:01:23,950 --> 00:01:26,920

which is necessary for checking drinking water quality.

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00:01:26,920 --> 00:01:32,750

Total Organic Carbon is naturally present in the environment and by itself has no health effects,

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00:01:32,750 --> 00:01:36,960

but it provides a medium for the formation of byproducts that may be harmful.

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00:01:36,960 --> 00:01:41,200

Russian Cosmonaut Sergei Volkov had updated antivirus software on the laptops

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00:01:41,200 --> 00:01:43,050

in the station's Russian segment.

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00:01:43,050 --> 00:01:49,500

He also took surface samples to ensure that no bacteria or harmful materials were forming.

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00:01:49,500 --> 00:01:54,680

Tuesday, November 1, the Expedition 29 crew of the International Space Station had wrapped

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00:01:54,680 --> 00:02:01,780

up preparations for the arrival of an unpiloted Russian cargo ship, the ISS Progress 45.

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00:02:01,780 --> 00:02:07,410

Fossum had spent much of his day working with free-flying, bowling-ball sized satellites known

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00:02:07,410 --> 00:02:13,420  
as Synchronized Position Hold, Engage,  
Reorient, Experimental Satellites, or SPHERES.

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00:02:13,420 --> 00:02:17,840  
During this session, Fossum had attached  
a smartphone with a video camera to one

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00:02:17,840 --> 00:02:20,730  
of the satellites to assist  
the experiment's sponsors

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00:02:20,730 --> 00:02:23,970  
with the design of a teleoperation interface.

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00:02:23,970 --> 00:02:28,420  
Working in the station's Zvezda  
service module, cosmonaut Sergei Volkov

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00:02:28,420 --> 00:02:33,580  
and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency  
astronaut Satoshi Furukawa had conducted a test

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00:02:33,580 --> 00:02:38,940  
of the Kurs automated rendezvous system that  
will be used to guide the Progress 45 spacecraft

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00:02:38,940 --> 00:02:44,100  
to the Pirs docking compartment, its port of  
call for the next three months, on Wednesday.

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00:02:44,100 --> 00:02:48,450  
The two flight engineers also  
reviewed the configuration for TORU,

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00:02:48,450 --> 00:02:52,830  
the Russian telerobotically operated  
rendezvous system which the crew can use

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00:02:52,830 --> 00:02:57,110  
to monitor the docking or take control  
of the process if difficulties arise.

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00:02:57,110 --> 00:03:01,920  
Later Volkov and Furukawa had set up and tested  
the video camera system that will provide a view

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00:03:01,920 --> 00:03:06,260  
of the docking as Progress  
45 arrives with its 2.8 tons

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00:03:06,260 --> 00:03:08,750  
of food, fuel and supplies for the crew.

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00:03:08,750 --> 00:03:12,600  
Volkov also had spent time on  
Tuesday with the Typology experiment,

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00:03:12,600 --> 00:03:18,370  
which studies a crew member's psychophysical  
state during long-duration spaceflight,

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00:03:18,370 --> 00:03:20,270  
as well as the Identification experiment,

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00:03:20,270 --> 00:03:25,170  
which examines the station's dynamic loads  
during events such as dockings and reboots.

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00:03:25,170 --> 00:03:28,560  
On Wednesday, a new Russian  
resupply craft arrived

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00:03:28,560 --> 00:03:33,010  
at the International Space  
Station at 6:41 a.m. central time.

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00:03:33,010 --> 00:03:39,490  
The ISS Progress 45 had docked to the Pirs

docking compartment after a trip to the station

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00:03:39,490 --> 00:03:44,220

that began Sunday from Baikonur  
Cosmodrome, Kazakhstan.

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00:03:44,220 --> 00:03:50,020

The crew had opened the Progress hatches  
to begin the transfer of 1,653 pounds

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00:03:50,020 --> 00:03:59,080

of propellant, 110 pounds of oxygen, 926 pounds  
of water and 3,108 pounds of maintenance gear,

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00:03:59,080 --> 00:04:01,440

spare parts and experiment hardware.

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00:04:01,440 --> 00:04:06,360

Once the station crew members have unloaded the  
cargo, Progress 45 will be filled with trash

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00:04:06,360 --> 00:04:11,500

and station discards, then undocked  
from the station in late January.

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00:04:11,500 --> 00:04:15,780

Following its departure, controllers in  
Mission Control, Moscow, will raise its orbit

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00:04:15,780 --> 00:04:19,300

to 310 miles so that they  
can deploy a microsatellite.

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00:04:19,300 --> 00:04:23,500

Once that microsatellite is deployed,  
Progress 45 will then be deorbited

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00:04:23,500 --> 00:04:26,510

for a destructive re-entry  
into Earth's atmosphere.

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00:04:26,510 --> 00:04:30,600

Also on Wednesday, while Volkov spent the majority of that day

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00:04:30,600 --> 00:04:34,320

on Progress transfer activities, Fossum had continued some science

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00:04:34,320 --> 00:04:36,980

and exercise activities along with Furukawa.

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00:04:36,980 --> 00:04:42,280

The two astronauts also conducted an eye exam to measure their eye pressure.

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00:04:42,280 --> 00:04:46,230

Fossum loaded new software, configured a laptop computer

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00:04:46,230 --> 00:04:49,240

on a science rack in the Destiny laboratory.

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00:04:49,240 --> 00:04:53,500

The commander took high-resolution photographs of space-grown crystals as part

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00:04:53,500 --> 00:04:56,770

of the Binary Colloidal Alloy Test experiment.

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00:04:56,770 --> 00:04:59,830

The current version of the ongoing study, called BCAT-6,

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00:04:59,830 --> 00:05:02,610

may help manufacturers design new leading edge materials

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00:05:02,610 --> 00:05:05,890

with molecular precision at the nanoscale.

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00:05:05,890 --> 00:05:10,560

Furukawa had assisted Volkov with docking activities at the start of Wednesday

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00:05:10,560 --> 00:05:16,280

and gathered tools to deploy a router in the future for the station's computer network.

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00:05:16,280 --> 00:05:20,490

He also conducted crew departure preparations with Fossum.

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00:05:20,490 --> 00:05:24,950

The International Space Station also reached a milestone in space.

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00:05:24,950 --> 00:05:27,840

It had been continuously inhabited for 11 years.

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00:05:27,840 --> 00:05:32,700

Expedition 1 crew members Commander Bill Shepherd and Flight Engineers Sergei Krikalev

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00:05:32,700 --> 00:05:38,130

and Yuri Gidzenko began their stay of 136 days aboard the station on Nov.

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00:05:38,130 --> 00:05:44,500

2, 2000. Following Wednesday's arrival of the ISS Progress 45 cargo craft,

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00:05:44,500 --> 00:05:47,200

the Expedition 29 crew members living

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00:05:47,200 --> 00:05:51,220

and working aboard the International Space Station spent time unpacking some

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00:05:51,220 --> 00:05:56,530

of its 2.8 tons of food, fuel  
and supplies on Thursday.

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00:05:56,530 --> 00:05:59,400

Commander Mike Fossum and Flight  
Engineers Satoshi Furukawa

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00:05:59,400 --> 00:06:03,010

and Sergei Volkov also spent  
some time Thursday gathering

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00:06:03,010 --> 00:06:05,760

and packing items for their return to Earth.

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00:06:05,760 --> 00:06:11,300

The trio is scheduled to undock from the  
station in the Soyuz TMA-02M spacecraft on Nov.

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00:06:11,300 --> 00:06:17,610

21. Remaining aboard the station will be  
the Expedition 30 crew of Dan Burbank,

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00:06:17,610 --> 00:06:21,780

Anton Shkaplerov and Anatoly Ivanishin,  
who are currently scheduled to launch

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00:06:21,780 --> 00:06:27,210

to the orbiting complex aboard the  
Soyuz TMA-22 no earlier than Nov.13,

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00:06:27,210 --> 00:06:29,520

beginning their stay on the station on Nov.

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00:06:29,520 --> 00:06:34,760

16. In addition to his work with  
Progress 45, Volkov spent some time

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00:06:34,760 --> 00:06:36,460

with the Identification experiment,

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00:06:36,460 --> 00:06:41,920  
which examines the station's dynamic loads during events such as dockings and reboots.

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00:06:41,920 --> 00:06:46,870  
As part of an ongoing study to determine the effects of long-duration spaceflight on vision,

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00:06:46,870 --> 00:06:50,890  
Fossum and Furukawa had conducted an eye ultrasound exam.

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00:06:50,890 --> 00:06:55,650  
The ultrasound equipment is part of the station's Health Maintenance System.

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00:06:55,650 --> 00:06:58,510  
Fossum had also worked on the station's Water Recovery System,

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00:06:58,510 --> 00:07:01,820  
conducting some routine maintenance and later participated in an interview

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00:07:01,820 --> 00:07:04,890  
with the Houston Chronicle during an in-flight media event

102  
00:07:04,890 --> 00:07:07,780  
that was broadcast here on NASA Television Thursday.

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00:07:07,780 --> 00:07:12,650  
And today, marking the end of the 21st week in space

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00:07:12,650 --> 00:07:16,880  
for the crew onboard the International

Space Station, just before the hour,

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00:07:16,880 --> 00:07:19,620

Commander Mike Fossum had completed a camera checkout

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00:07:19,620 --> 00:07:24,170

of the Binary Colloidal Alloy experiment known as BCAT-6 that looks at advances

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00:07:24,170 --> 00:07:26,350

in manufacturing materials on the nanoscale.

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00:07:26,350 --> 00:07:31,800

Fossum stored samples from a human body science study known as Sodium Loading in Microgravity

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00:07:31,800 --> 00:07:35,410

that studies fluid and salt retention in the body during spaceflight.

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00:07:35,410 --> 00:07:38,510

These samples will be stored in the Minus Eighty Degree Laboratory Freezer

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00:07:38,510 --> 00:07:41,230

for later return and analysis.

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00:07:41,230 --> 00:07:46,500

Flight Engineer Satoshi Furukawa will stow away the colloid experiment hardware

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00:07:46,500 --> 00:07:48,840

after its operations and will also begin an hour

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00:07:48,840 --> 00:07:52,550

of his regularly scheduled two hours of physical fitness.

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00:07:52,550 --> 00:07:57,940  
Meanwhile Sergei Volkov is transferring  
a few items from station to Soyuz

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00:07:57,940 --> 00:08:00,370  
for return to Earth in a couple of weeks.

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00:08:00,370 --> 00:08:03,710  
Earlier this morning it was the  
non-human crew member, Robonaut 2,

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00:08:03,710 --> 00:08:06,720  
that took center stage even  
if for awhile on orbit.

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00:08:06,720 --> 00:08:08,570  
Commander Fossum with Furukawa worked

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00:08:08,570 --> 00:08:12,800  
to assemble the dexterous humanoid  
robot in the Destiny laboratory.

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00:08:12,800 --> 00:08:15,080  
Fossum began his morning working with Robonaut

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00:08:15,080 --> 00:08:18,750  
to flex its movable parts  
for the second time on orbit.

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00:08:18,750 --> 00:08:22,710  
While the first test performed  
last month focused on arm joints,

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00:08:22,710 --> 00:08:26,130  
today's mobility test focused on  
hands used here for the first time,

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00:08:26,130 --> 00:08:29,130  
as well as movement of its other joints.

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00:08:29,130 --> 00:08:33,140

The goal of today's test was to acquire more data on tactile strength,

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00:08:33,140 --> 00:08:37,560

range of motion of its arms and the mechanics of its joints.

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00:08:37,560 --> 00:08:40,770

About three hours into the testing however, a sensor issue relative

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00:08:40,770 --> 00:08:46,460

to the device's computer program for the neck joints halted the testing for the day

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00:08:46,460 --> 00:08:48,740

and ended the session prematurely.

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00:08:48,740 --> 00:08:53,500

Robonaut was powered off for the day at 6:34 a.m. central time.

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00:08:53,500 --> 00:08:56,460

The testing will be picked up at a later date.

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00:08:56,460 --> 00:09:01,700

During Robonaut 2's exercises on orbit, Flight Engineer Satoshi Furukawa had gathered

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00:09:01,700 --> 00:09:06,980

and packed items onboard for the return to Earth on November 21.

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00:09:06,980 --> 00:09:10,220

Meanwhile Flight Engineer Sergei Volkov snapped photographs

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00:09:10,220 --> 00:09:15,740

of the onboard Russian plants experiment that studies the growth of wheat in space.

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00:09:15,740 --> 00:09:20,540

He also had spent a few hours unpacking items from the Progress cargo supply ship that docked

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00:09:20,540 --> 00:09:24,710

to the station earlier this week on Wednesday, November 2.

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00:09:24,710 --> 00:09:29,650

Later today it will be Commander Fossum and Flight Engineer Sergei Volkov's turn to gather

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00:09:29,650 --> 00:09:33,840

and pack items in preparation for the crew's return to Earth on November 21.

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00:09:33,840 --> 00:09:38,220

In anticipation of the soon-to-arrive Soyuz carrying the Expedition 30 crew,

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00:09:38,220 --> 00:09:42,860

Satoshi Furukawa will spend an hour reviewing Soyuz docking procedures.

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00:09:42,860 --> 00:09:47,650

He'll also later relocate an Ethernet cable to the Destiny laboratory.

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00:09:47,650 --> 00:09:52,340

Sergei Volkov will perform his second half of his daily exercise before the crew participates

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00:09:52,340 --> 00:09:55,830

in a tag up conference with the space station flight director.

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00:09:55,830 --> 00:09:59,190

The crew will then be scheduled to go to bed at 4:30 p.m. central time,

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00:09:59,190 --> 00:10:02,110

closing its 21st week living and working in space.