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00:00:06,470 --> 00:00:03,909
hi my name is dan burbank i'm

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00:00:08,950 --> 00:00:06,480
a crew member from expedition 29 and

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00:00:11,589 --> 00:00:08,960
i've been the commander of expedition 30

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00:00:14,470 --> 00:00:11,599
uh since uh five days or four days i

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00:00:17,349 --> 00:00:14,480
guess after we arrived in mid-november

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00:00:19,830 --> 00:00:17,359
and um right now i'm getting ready as

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00:00:22,230 --> 00:00:19,840
are my uh my two soyuz crewmates anton

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00:00:24,230 --> 00:00:22,240
shkaplerov and anatoly ivanishin uh

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00:00:25,109 --> 00:00:24,240
returned to return back to earth after

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00:00:27,589 --> 00:00:25,119
um

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00:00:31,349 --> 00:00:27,599
uh more than five months living aboard

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00:00:33,110 --> 00:00:31,359
this spectacular space station and um

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00:00:35,830 --> 00:00:33,120

it's it's an interesting time right now

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00:00:37,430 --> 00:00:35,840

to to to kind of take a few moments and

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00:00:38,869 --> 00:00:37,440

think back at uh

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00:00:41,190 --> 00:00:38,879

at what we've done what we've

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00:00:43,430 --> 00:00:41,200

accomplished during the mission

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00:00:45,029 --> 00:00:43,440

and kind of

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00:00:47,670 --> 00:00:45,039

take a little bit of a break from the

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00:00:49,990 --> 00:00:47,680

the hectic operations just to uh to

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00:00:52,709 --> 00:00:50,000

reflect a little bit and um and i think

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00:00:54,549 --> 00:00:52,719

it's really important uh for me to to

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00:00:57,910 --> 00:00:54,559

kind of take stock of what we've done up

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00:01:01,349 --> 00:00:57,920

here it has been a whirlwind it has been

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00:01:03,349 --> 00:01:01,359

a head-spinning adventure and it's been

26
00:01:04,710 --> 00:01:03,359
exciting and uh wonderful right from the

27
00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:04,720
get-go

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00:01:08,070 --> 00:01:06,240
when i um

29
00:01:11,270 --> 00:01:08,080
before i launched in this mission i i

30
00:01:13,109 --> 00:01:11,280
basically had three simple goals and the

31
00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:13,119
first one was to take good care of the

32
00:01:16,390 --> 00:01:14,000
crew

33
00:01:17,670 --> 00:01:16,400
and the second one was to take good care

34
00:01:19,109 --> 00:01:17,680
of the space station and all the

35
00:01:21,670 --> 00:01:19,119
hardware up here

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00:01:23,670 --> 00:01:21,680
and the third one was to conduct as much

37
00:01:25,990 --> 00:01:23,680
research both scientific and

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00:01:28,789 --> 00:01:26,000

technological as uh the space station

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00:01:31,350 --> 00:01:28,799

was capable and as uh our crew

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00:01:33,749 --> 00:01:31,360

was able to do and and i think in

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00:01:35,749 --> 00:01:33,759

reflection now that we've done a a

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00:01:38,310 --> 00:01:35,759

pretty good job of all three

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00:01:40,310 --> 00:01:38,320

and uh from the uh from the start though

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00:01:42,310 --> 00:01:40,320

we had a couple of challenges and i and

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00:01:45,109 --> 00:01:42,320

i think one of the biggest ones was that

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00:01:47,830 --> 00:01:45,119

we had a minimal overlap with uh with

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00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:47,840

mike fossum sergey volkov and satoshi

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00:01:51,670 --> 00:01:49,040

furukawa

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00:01:53,270 --> 00:01:51,680

we had four days total with them to hand

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00:01:56,069 --> 00:01:53,280

over to physically handover to learn the

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00:02:00,149 --> 00:01:56,079
ropes about how to operate this uh this

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00:02:02,310 --> 00:02:00,159
spaceship and um that in itself uh would

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00:02:05,429 --> 00:02:02,320
have been a major challenge if it were

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00:02:06,789 --> 00:02:05,439
not for the fact that the ground and uh

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00:02:08,229 --> 00:02:06,799
and that crew

56
00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:08,239
were very clever and kind of thought

57
00:02:12,550 --> 00:02:10,800
outside the box and we

58
00:02:14,470 --> 00:02:12,560
basically spent a couple of months

59
00:02:16,309 --> 00:02:14,480
leading up to our launch

60
00:02:17,990 --> 00:02:16,319
talking with them getting video down

61
00:02:20,390 --> 00:02:18,000
links with them and doing i guess what

62
00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:20,400
i'd call a virtual handover learning all

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00:02:23,430 --> 00:02:22,720

the ropes learning how to operate all

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00:02:28,390 --> 00:02:23,440

the

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00:02:30,150 --> 00:02:28,400

hardware on space station how to do even

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00:02:31,670 --> 00:02:30,160

the mundane and routine things that we

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00:02:34,630 --> 00:02:31,680

do on a daily basis

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00:02:37,350 --> 00:02:34,640

and uh it basically set anton anatoly

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00:02:39,830 --> 00:02:37,360

and i up uh for for success right from

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00:02:42,070 --> 00:02:39,840

the get-go and it was in some ways maybe

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00:02:44,390 --> 00:02:42,080

better than having two months of overlap

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00:02:46,390 --> 00:02:44,400

with the crew because instead of getting

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00:02:48,630 --> 00:02:46,400

a chance to see one thing

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00:02:51,430 --> 00:02:48,640

one time while mike and i had the chance

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00:02:54,070 --> 00:02:51,440

to chat about it um i could uh

76
00:02:55,670 --> 00:02:54,080
basically at my own pace over the course

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00:02:58,630 --> 00:02:55,680
of several weeks leading up to launch

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00:03:00,229 --> 00:02:58,640
review a videotape that he had made of

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00:03:02,309 --> 00:03:00,239
say a repair

80
00:03:04,630 --> 00:03:02,319
on one of our regenerative eclipse

81
00:03:07,030 --> 00:03:04,640
environmental control system uh systems

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00:03:09,509 --> 00:03:07,040
for example and so actually it was a

83
00:03:12,550 --> 00:03:09,519
very elegant and great way to get ready

84
00:03:15,190 --> 00:03:12,560
another challenge we had was that we had

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00:03:17,350 --> 00:03:15,200
anton anatoly and i an extended uh

86
00:03:20,149 --> 00:03:17,360
period of three crew not quite as

87
00:03:22,550 --> 00:03:20,159
extended as mike and sergey and satoshi

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00:03:24,869 --> 00:03:22,560

had but we still had a good five weeks

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00:03:29,110 --> 00:03:24,879

plus uh with just the three of us uh

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00:03:32,949 --> 00:03:29,120

knocking around this uh huge uh 360 feet

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00:03:34,789 --> 00:03:32,959

wide 240 foot long space station and

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00:03:36,149 --> 00:03:34,799

and that also

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00:03:37,750 --> 00:03:36,159

if you're going to take the most

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00:03:39,670 --> 00:03:37,760

advantage you can of the time that you

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00:03:42,229 --> 00:03:39,680

got and do as much science that's a

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00:03:44,710 --> 00:03:42,239

challenge in anybody's book

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00:03:46,550 --> 00:03:44,720

another thing we had is in the in the

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00:03:48,789 --> 00:03:46,560

time leading up to our launch

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00:03:50,710 --> 00:03:48,799

the ground very wisely and the crew that

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00:03:51,750 --> 00:03:50,720

was on board very very wisely and

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00:03:53,509 --> 00:03:51,760
astutely

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00:03:55,509 --> 00:03:53,519
took the time to put the space station

103
00:03:58,390 --> 00:03:55,519
in a good posture

104
00:04:00,550 --> 00:03:58,400
if there were to have been a delay in

105
00:04:02,309 --> 00:04:00,560
our launch such that we would have had

106
00:04:03,589 --> 00:04:02,319
no handover at all such that space

107
00:04:05,830 --> 00:04:03,599
station would have been unmanned for a

108
00:04:07,589 --> 00:04:05,840
period of time so a lot of preparations

109
00:04:09,750 --> 00:04:07,599
were made and all the systems across the

110
00:04:12,309 --> 00:04:09,760
space station to basically put it in a

111
00:04:13,589 --> 00:04:12,319
good posture so it could fly by itself

112
00:04:14,390 --> 00:04:13,599
under the guidance of all the folks on

113
00:04:16,870 --> 00:04:14,400

the ground

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00:04:19,430 --> 00:04:16,880

uh without you know a crew to physically

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00:04:21,590 --> 00:04:19,440

take care of things so we had some time

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00:04:24,070 --> 00:04:21,600

to we we needed to spend a lot of time

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00:04:25,830 --> 00:04:24,080

to back out of a lot of those uh those

118

00:04:27,670 --> 00:04:25,840

uh precautions and those system

119

00:04:30,230 --> 00:04:27,680

configurations that were done

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00:04:32,469 --> 00:04:30,240

the other challenge is for me a long

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00:04:35,030 --> 00:04:32,479

duration mission this was my first shot

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00:04:37,430 --> 00:04:35,040

at that and i i'd flown twice on the

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00:04:38,790 --> 00:04:37,440

space shuttle and knew how we we

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00:04:39,990 --> 00:04:38,800

operated on the shuttle for a two week

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00:04:41,909 --> 00:04:40,000

mission but

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00:04:43,670 --> 00:04:41,919

that doesn't necessarily adequately

127

00:04:46,150 --> 00:04:43,680

reflect what it's like to be six months

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00:04:48,070 --> 00:04:46,160

up here and for anton and anatoly this

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00:04:50,629 --> 00:04:48,080

was their first space flight so i looked

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00:04:51,990 --> 00:04:50,639

at that kind of as a challenge for us

131

00:04:53,670 --> 00:04:52,000

and um

132

00:04:56,390 --> 00:04:53,680

probably lastly and maybe most

133

00:04:59,030 --> 00:04:56,400

importantly this is a nearly a million

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00:05:02,310 --> 00:04:59,040

pound space station it is unbelievably

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00:05:03,909 --> 00:05:02,320

expansive unbelievably complicated

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00:05:05,830 --> 00:05:03,919

and uh just

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00:05:07,270 --> 00:05:05,840

uh anybody on a good day with an

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00:05:08,870 --> 00:05:07,280

experienced crew operating all the

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00:05:11,430 --> 00:05:08,880

things and being prepared if there were

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00:05:13,029 --> 00:05:11,440

to uh be some sort of a serious

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00:05:15,909 --> 00:05:13,039

malfunction being prepared to deal with

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00:05:17,029 --> 00:05:15,919

that that was also a big challenge for

143

00:05:21,990 --> 00:05:17,039

us

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00:05:23,909 --> 00:05:22,000

is uh we were blessed we had a wonderful

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00:05:26,230 --> 00:05:23,919

crew a great crew we're all good good

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00:05:28,230 --> 00:05:26,240

friends best of friends now and in very

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00:05:29,670 --> 00:05:28,240

good friends before we launched anton

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00:05:33,350 --> 00:05:29,680

anatoly and i trained for a couple of

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00:05:35,270 --> 00:05:33,360

years together and uh and don pettit and

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00:05:37,510 --> 00:05:35,280

i have known each other for quite a long

151
00:05:38,390 --> 00:05:37,520
time um andre kuipers from the

152
00:05:41,270 --> 00:05:38,400
netherlands

153
00:05:42,950 --> 00:05:41,280
um and oleg kononenko now those three

154
00:05:44,550 --> 00:05:42,960
are the crew members that came up in the

155
00:05:46,950 --> 00:05:44,560
the soyuz that joined us in late

156
00:05:49,189 --> 00:05:46,960
december um everybody phenomenally

157
00:05:52,469 --> 00:05:49,199
talented great personalities get along

158
00:05:55,110 --> 00:05:52,479
wonderfully and i think all of our

159
00:05:57,830 --> 00:05:55,120
strengths play very nicely against our

160
00:06:01,110 --> 00:05:57,840
respective weaknesses so all in all

161
00:06:02,550 --> 00:06:01,120
i couldn't have asked for a better team

162
00:06:04,309 --> 00:06:02,560
and additionally

163
00:06:06,550 --> 00:06:04,319

on the plus side we have wonderful

164

00:06:08,390 --> 00:06:06,560

hardware it amazes me when i sit and i

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00:06:09,430 --> 00:06:08,400

look at this incredible space station i

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00:06:12,230 --> 00:06:09,440

think about

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00:06:15,110 --> 00:06:12,240

all the time and effort and in brain

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00:06:16,950 --> 00:06:15,120

power that went in to anticipating all

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00:06:18,629 --> 00:06:16,960

the possible things all the connections

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00:06:20,469 --> 00:06:18,639

between the various modules between the

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00:06:23,270 --> 00:06:20,479

various hardware software connections

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00:06:25,110 --> 00:06:23,280

physical connections and uh and make it

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00:06:28,790 --> 00:06:25,120

in such a way that it was robust enough

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00:06:30,870 --> 00:06:28,800

to operate so well and so that was a

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00:06:32,950 --> 00:06:30,880

huge plus and probably the biggest plus

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00:06:35,350 --> 00:06:32,960

of all are the tens of thousands of

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00:06:37,909 --> 00:06:35,360

people all around the world from the 16

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00:06:39,830 --> 00:06:37,919

partner nations that have that have

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00:06:41,110 --> 00:06:39,840

built the space station

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00:06:42,550 --> 00:06:41,120

we have got

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00:06:44,230 --> 00:06:42,560

at the leading edge of that from our

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00:06:46,070 --> 00:06:44,240

perspective as crew we've got the

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00:06:48,150 --> 00:06:46,080

control center in houston

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00:06:49,589 --> 00:06:48,160

mission control we have mission control

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00:06:51,430 --> 00:06:49,599

in moscow

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00:06:52,469 --> 00:06:51,440

we have the u.s

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00:06:54,790 --> 00:06:52,479

segments

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00:06:56,950 --> 00:06:54,800

leed science center in huntsville we

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00:06:59,430 --> 00:06:56,960

have the japanese aerospace exploration

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00:07:01,990 --> 00:06:59,440

agency center in scuba japan

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00:07:04,150 --> 00:07:02,000

and we have in munich the european space

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00:07:05,589 --> 00:07:04,160

agency's control center these people are

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00:07:08,950 --> 00:07:05,599

watching over this hardware watching

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00:07:11,110 --> 00:07:08,960

over us 24 7 365. they're always there

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00:07:13,430 --> 00:07:11,120

in fact a lot of what goes on in space

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00:07:16,469 --> 00:07:13,440

station is conducted entirely remotely

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00:07:18,070 --> 00:07:16,479

led by them but also remotely to all

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00:07:18,950 --> 00:07:18,080

different places all around the world

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00:07:20,790 --> 00:07:18,960

where

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00:07:23,189 --> 00:07:20,800

science teams are running a lot of the

201
00:07:24,950 --> 00:07:23,199
experiments and there's nothing more

202
00:07:28,150 --> 00:07:24,960
comforting than having all those smart

203
00:07:28,950 --> 00:07:28,160
folks watching out for you all the time

204
00:07:31,670 --> 00:07:28,960
so

205
00:07:33,270 --> 00:07:31,680
we had we had a lot going for us as well

206
00:07:35,589 --> 00:07:33,280
when i look at overall our

207
00:07:37,430 --> 00:07:35,599
accomplishments i guess on the first

208
00:07:39,350 --> 00:07:37,440
count the crew is healthy and strong in

209
00:07:41,110 --> 00:07:39,360
fact i guess we're in some ways maybe in

210
00:07:43,110 --> 00:07:41,120
better shape in some respects than

211
00:07:45,270 --> 00:07:43,120
before we launched everybody's doing

212
00:07:46,950 --> 00:07:45,280
really well and everybody adapted

213
00:07:49,029 --> 00:07:46,960

phenomenally well to space flight and

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00:07:50,309 --> 00:07:49,039

long duration space flight all of us

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00:07:53,589 --> 00:07:50,319

love being here

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00:07:55,990 --> 00:07:53,599

and uh again we're all great friends and

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00:07:57,749 --> 00:07:56,000

um on the also on the uh the

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00:07:59,749 --> 00:07:57,759

accomplishment side i would say the

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00:08:01,990 --> 00:07:59,759

space station right now is in better

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00:08:04,550 --> 00:08:02,000

shape than it's ever been uh during our

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00:08:07,909 --> 00:08:04,560

time here we have done a major overhaul

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00:08:09,830 --> 00:08:07,919

to the the space station's uh brains and

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00:08:10,710 --> 00:08:09,840

nervous system if you will so there have

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00:08:13,270 --> 00:08:10,720

been

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00:08:15,909 --> 00:08:13,280

six major software upgrades that affect

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00:08:17,749 --> 00:08:15,919

all the major computers and those

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00:08:20,070 --> 00:08:17,759

involve command and control

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00:08:22,629 --> 00:08:20,080

guidance and navigation they involve

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00:08:24,869 --> 00:08:22,639

payloads and uh in a whole host of other

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00:08:26,869 --> 00:08:24,879

systems in addition to the software

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00:08:28,869 --> 00:08:26,879

upgrades there have been 23 major

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00:08:30,950 --> 00:08:28,879

computer upgrades where we actually did

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00:08:32,870 --> 00:08:30,960

brain surgery on these boxes pulled them

234

00:08:35,589 --> 00:08:32,880

out of the racks where they dwell and

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00:08:37,750 --> 00:08:35,599

open them up and changed out the cards

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00:08:40,630 --> 00:08:37,760

that were already in there with uh with

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00:08:42,709 --> 00:08:40,640

faster more capable ones and we had a

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00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:42,719

major software upgrade and in the

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00:08:47,110 --> 00:08:45,279

service modules control software in the

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00:08:49,269 --> 00:08:47,120

russian segment there was also a

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00:08:51,910 --> 00:08:49,279

recently just last week or two weeks ago

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00:08:53,829 --> 00:08:51,920

i guess now a major upgrade for the

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00:08:55,110 --> 00:08:53,839

columbus the european space agency

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00:08:56,550 --> 00:08:55,120

software

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00:09:01,430 --> 00:08:56,560

so

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00:09:04,070 --> 00:09:01,440

and brain surgery if you will

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00:09:05,910 --> 00:09:04,080

there have been a lot of hardware a lot

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00:09:07,350 --> 00:09:05,920

of hardware repairs and improvements

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00:09:09,030 --> 00:09:07,360

that we've made and they

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00:09:11,030 --> 00:09:09,040

run the gamut of almost every system we

251
00:09:12,790 --> 00:09:11,040
have up here

252
00:09:14,630 --> 00:09:12,800
part and parcel with the

253
00:09:17,350 --> 00:09:14,640
the upgrade for the com system and the

254
00:09:19,190 --> 00:09:17,360
computer system was laying new fiber

255
00:09:21,110 --> 00:09:19,200
optic and

256
00:09:23,990 --> 00:09:21,120
and high rate communication cables that

257
00:09:25,190 --> 00:09:24,000
will allow us to have high bandwidth

258
00:09:26,870 --> 00:09:25,200
payload

259
00:09:28,949 --> 00:09:26,880
data science data down the road that

260
00:09:30,710 --> 00:09:28,959
allow us to have more communications

261
00:09:32,870 --> 00:09:30,720
channels that'll basically

262
00:09:35,110 --> 00:09:32,880
increase greatly the throughput of

263
00:09:35,750 --> 00:09:35,120

science from space

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00:09:36,949 --> 00:09:35,760

um station

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00:09:39,430 --> 00:09:36,959

addition to that

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00:09:42,550 --> 00:09:39,440

russian segment eva 30 the 30th eva

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00:09:45,110 --> 00:09:42,560

conducted by uh by cosmonauts and u.s

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00:09:47,590 --> 00:09:45,120

crew members when you look back on the

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00:09:50,790 --> 00:09:47,600

russian segment was completed safely and

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00:09:53,269 --> 00:09:50,800

successfully and it relocated oleg and

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00:09:54,470 --> 00:09:53,279

anton relocated a very large crane

272

00:09:55,990 --> 00:09:54,480

construction crane that we have on the

273

00:09:57,430 --> 00:09:56,000

outside of station

274

00:10:00,230 --> 00:09:57,440

they installed a couple of payloads

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00:10:04,230 --> 00:10:00,240

science payloads on the outside

276
00:10:06,949 --> 00:10:04,240
we in the japanese module demonstrated

277
00:10:09,190 --> 00:10:06,959
some very successful ground control

278
00:10:11,430 --> 00:10:09,200
ground remote operation tele operation

279
00:10:14,230 --> 00:10:11,440
if you will of the japanese experiment

280
00:10:15,829 --> 00:10:14,240
module remote manipulator system the arm

281
00:10:17,590 --> 00:10:15,839
that controls

282
00:10:19,269 --> 00:10:17,600
all of or that's able to access all of

283
00:10:20,949 --> 00:10:19,279
the payloads that are on the exposed

284
00:10:22,230 --> 00:10:20,959
facility on the forward port side of

285
00:10:24,310 --> 00:10:22,240
space station

286
00:10:26,870 --> 00:10:24,320
we had a lot of visiting vehicles we had

287
00:10:29,430 --> 00:10:26,880
when we got here the 45 progress

288
00:10:31,670 --> 00:10:29,440

progress number 45 was here we safely

289

00:10:34,230 --> 00:10:31,680

saw it on its way and

290

00:10:35,750 --> 00:10:34,240

it deployed a satellite a first for the

291

00:10:37,990 --> 00:10:35,760

for russian progress vehicles it

292

00:10:39,910 --> 00:10:38,000

deployed a satellite after leaving here

293

00:10:43,750 --> 00:10:39,920

one that we placed there

294

00:10:47,430 --> 00:10:43,760

we received progress 46p we recently

295

00:10:49,430 --> 00:10:47,440

we also received 29 soyuz with with don

296

00:10:51,269 --> 00:10:49,440

and oleg and andre

297

00:10:53,990 --> 00:10:51,279

and then we just a

298

00:10:56,310 --> 00:10:54,000

a couple of weeks ago received

299

00:10:58,710 --> 00:10:56,320

the atv the automated transfer vehicle

300

00:11:01,590 --> 00:10:58,720

number three a european space agency

301
00:11:03,269 --> 00:11:01,600
contribution so it's been a real busy

302
00:11:05,990 --> 00:11:03,279
time up here from the standpoint of

303
00:11:08,389 --> 00:11:06,000
visiting vehicle traffic

304
00:11:09,829 --> 00:11:08,399
what we did not see but we did help pave

305
00:11:13,350 --> 00:11:09,839
the way for was we didn't see the

306
00:11:15,110 --> 00:11:13,360
arrival yet of dragons the space

307
00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:15,120
exploration technology spacex

308
00:11:20,310 --> 00:11:17,519
corporation's dragon vehicle the first

309
00:11:22,310 --> 00:11:20,320
uh commercial provided uh cargo ship to

310
00:11:24,870 --> 00:11:22,320
space station uh what we did to pave the

311
00:11:27,030 --> 00:11:24,880
way for that though is we installed new

312
00:11:29,670 --> 00:11:27,040
software and in their

313
00:11:32,069 --> 00:11:29,680

communications unit the unit that that

314

00:11:34,310 --> 00:11:32,079

basically allows the transmission of

315

00:11:36,790 --> 00:11:34,320

telemetry and command between space

316

00:11:38,150 --> 00:11:36,800

station and the dragon and we upgraded

317

00:11:40,949 --> 00:11:38,160

the software in there and we actually

318

00:11:42,949 --> 00:11:40,959

took another box and uh and we have a

319

00:11:45,350 --> 00:11:42,959

backup and a primary now for that so we

320

00:11:47,030 --> 00:11:45,360

have redundancy in that respect and

321

00:11:48,550 --> 00:11:47,040

we've done a lot of other preparations

322

00:11:50,629 --> 00:11:48,560

to kind of pave the way for dragon which

323

00:11:52,629 --> 00:11:50,639

will be coming in a couple of weeks

324

00:11:54,790 --> 00:11:52,639

so on the visiting vehicle side very

325

00:11:59,190 --> 00:11:54,800

busy on the research side which was my

326

00:12:01,269 --> 00:11:59,200

third goal is we have done uh over 180

327

00:12:03,190 --> 00:12:01,279

separate scientific and technological

328

00:12:05,030 --> 00:12:03,200

investigations during our time here in

329

00:12:07,590 --> 00:12:05,040

station so it's been really busy and

330

00:12:09,430 --> 00:12:07,600

those run the gamut from human research

331

00:12:12,230 --> 00:12:09,440

which is one of the fundamental goals of

332

00:12:14,550 --> 00:12:12,240

the u.s segment science and that is how

333

00:12:16,470 --> 00:12:14,560

to figure out how humans adapt to space

334

00:12:18,470 --> 00:12:16,480

flight how to figure out how to make it

335

00:12:20,710 --> 00:12:18,480

safer so that we can ultimately leave

336

00:12:22,470 --> 00:12:20,720

low earth orbit go to the moon go to

337

00:12:24,710 --> 00:12:22,480

asteroids and go to mars and do that in

338

00:12:25,750 --> 00:12:24,720

a safe way a lot of changes happen and

339

00:12:27,430 --> 00:12:25,760

they change

340

00:12:30,550 --> 00:12:27,440

the changes occur in the physiology

341

00:12:32,710 --> 00:12:30,560

basic physiology musculoskeletal system

342

00:12:34,870 --> 00:12:32,720

the vascular system a lot of changes

343

00:12:37,509 --> 00:12:34,880

occur even in our perception our in our

344

00:12:38,870 --> 00:12:37,519

orientation systems our perception of of

345

00:12:40,870 --> 00:12:38,880

three-dimensional space and our

346

00:12:42,550 --> 00:12:40,880

orientation there all these things are

347

00:12:44,230 --> 00:12:42,560

really important things to know if we're

348

00:12:45,590 --> 00:12:44,240

going to get crews beyond low earth

349

00:12:47,590 --> 00:12:45,600

orbit which is one of the fundamental

350

00:12:48,949 --> 00:12:47,600

goals of space station

351

00:12:51,110 --> 00:12:48,959

in addition to that there's basic

352

00:12:53,509 --> 00:12:51,120

biological research we've done we have

353

00:12:55,110 --> 00:12:53,519

done fluid physics including a wonderful

354

00:12:56,550 --> 00:12:55,120

marangoni convection experiment

355

00:12:57,430 --> 00:12:56,560

experiment that was conducted in the

356

00:12:59,670 --> 00:12:57,440

kibo

357

00:13:01,670 --> 00:12:59,680

japanese experiment module

358

00:13:03,350 --> 00:13:01,680

capillary flow experiments combustion

359

00:13:06,629 --> 00:13:03,360

experiments including an experiment

360

00:13:09,269 --> 00:13:06,639

called spice or as we call it splice and

361

00:13:12,550 --> 00:13:09,279

and also recently a combustion of solids

362

00:13:13,750 --> 00:13:12,560

in space experiments called bass

363

00:13:15,590 --> 00:13:13,760

we have

364

00:13:17,670 --> 00:13:15,600

conducted a lot of

365

00:13:19,829 --> 00:13:17,680

earth science here from space station we

366

00:13:23,269 --> 00:13:19,839

have managed at least the crew handheld

367

00:13:26,389 --> 00:13:23,279

imagery uh to take uh upwards of 200 000

368

00:13:27,430 --> 00:13:26,399

images of planet earth from here and in

369

00:13:29,269 --> 00:13:27,440

addition to that there are a lot of

370

00:13:31,590 --> 00:13:29,279

remote sensors around

371

00:13:33,670 --> 00:13:31,600

the space station that both image earth

372

00:13:34,629 --> 00:13:33,680

and image deep space

373

00:13:36,389 --> 00:13:34,639

and

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00:13:38,230 --> 00:13:36,399

on the technological

375

00:13:41,110 --> 00:13:38,240

experiment side of the technological

376
00:13:43,590 --> 00:13:41,120
development side i think space station

377
00:13:44,949 --> 00:13:43,600
because of its location on a frontier

378
00:13:46,710 --> 00:13:44,959
and probably one of the harshest

379
00:13:49,509 --> 00:13:46,720
environments known to man

380
00:13:51,910 --> 00:13:49,519
is in and of itself a global a very

381
00:13:52,949 --> 00:13:51,920
large technological research

382
00:13:54,870 --> 00:13:52,959
project

383
00:13:57,829 --> 00:13:54,880
figuring out how to keep hardware

384
00:13:59,430 --> 00:13:57,839
operating long term here is absolutely

385
00:14:01,430 --> 00:13:59,440
crucial it's crucial if we're ever going

386
00:14:02,949 --> 00:14:01,440
to leave low earth orbit we have to be

387
00:14:06,310 --> 00:14:02,959
able to safely

388
00:14:07,990 --> 00:14:06,320

sever the fairly regular logistic stream

389

00:14:09,910 --> 00:14:08,000

the lifeblood that we have that allows

390

00:14:10,629 --> 00:14:09,920

us to get spare parts that allows us to

391

00:14:13,030 --> 00:14:10,639

get

392

00:14:15,030 --> 00:14:13,040

consumables from planet earth here we

393

00:14:17,269 --> 00:14:15,040

have to figure out a way how to have

394

00:14:19,590 --> 00:14:17,279

crews be able to do all kinds of

395

00:14:21,189 --> 00:14:19,600

intricate repairs on space station all

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00:14:23,750 --> 00:14:21,199

the vehicles the us has ever flown

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00:14:25,750 --> 00:14:23,760

before have always been returned to the

398

00:14:27,829 --> 00:14:25,760

professionals or been returned to

399

00:14:30,310 --> 00:14:27,839

museums right after space flight crews

400

00:14:32,069 --> 00:14:30,320

have never had to turn wrenches to the

401
00:14:33,750 --> 00:14:32,079
degree that we have to onboard space

402
00:14:35,189 --> 00:14:33,760
station right now

403
00:14:37,030 --> 00:14:35,199
on the space shuttle if there was a

404
00:14:39,110 --> 00:14:37,040
problem you would basically get the

405
00:14:40,710 --> 00:14:39,120
system in a safe enough configuration so

406
00:14:42,710 --> 00:14:40,720
that the shuttle when it returned to the

407
00:14:44,310 --> 00:14:42,720
kennedy space center and was placed in

408
00:14:47,189 --> 00:14:44,320
the hands of the brilliant technicians

409
00:14:50,550 --> 00:14:47,199
and engineers there could be rebuilt and

410
00:14:52,389 --> 00:14:50,560
and and be just as good as new and we

411
00:14:54,470 --> 00:14:52,399
basically need to be able to do similar

412
00:14:57,590 --> 00:14:54,480
level repairs here on space station it's

413
00:14:59,430 --> 00:14:57,600

a whole new uh way of operating for for

414

00:15:01,509 --> 00:14:59,440

astronauts and for the ground crews that

415

00:15:03,269 --> 00:15:01,519

plan how we do things so on the global

416

00:15:05,110 --> 00:15:03,279

scale this is a really important thing

417

00:15:06,710 --> 00:15:05,120

and and i think we've had a chance to

418

00:15:09,189 --> 00:15:06,720

turn a lot of wrenches and do a lot of

419

00:15:10,710 --> 00:15:09,199

work along those lines

420

00:15:13,110 --> 00:15:10,720

there's also a couple of other smaller

421

00:15:14,790 --> 00:15:13,120

experiments here that i think are

422

00:15:17,430 --> 00:15:14,800

important along those same lines for

423

00:15:19,269 --> 00:15:17,440

technological research and one is

424

00:15:21,189 --> 00:15:19,279

robonaut which is

425

00:15:23,990 --> 00:15:21,199

basically a human-like from an

426
00:15:26,949 --> 00:15:24,000
anthropometric standpoint robot that is

427
00:15:29,990 --> 00:15:26,959
a technology testbed to figure out how

428
00:15:32,310 --> 00:15:30,000
we can incorporate robotics here in

429
00:15:33,990 --> 00:15:32,320
space to reduce the risk

430
00:15:36,310 --> 00:15:34,000
to maybe

431
00:15:38,470 --> 00:15:36,320
maybe capitalize on the crew time a

432
00:15:41,269 --> 00:15:38,480
little bit more by giving more mundane

433
00:15:43,189 --> 00:15:41,279
and routine kinds of tasks to robotics

434
00:15:45,269 --> 00:15:43,199
but also potentially

435
00:15:47,430 --> 00:15:45,279
down the road we'd like to think to be

436
00:15:50,550 --> 00:15:47,440
able to take robots like that outside

437
00:15:52,389 --> 00:15:50,560
with us during spacewalks and by having

438
00:15:54,790 --> 00:15:52,399

hands that are just like human hands

439

00:15:56,710 --> 00:15:54,800

they that robonaut can you know in

440

00:16:00,470 --> 00:15:56,720

effect operate with all the tools that

441

00:16:02,710 --> 00:16:00,480

we operate and so it is a very a very

442

00:16:05,430 --> 00:16:02,720

clever very intricate very complicated

443

00:16:06,389 --> 00:16:05,440

but very promising kind of technological

444

00:16:07,990 --> 00:16:06,399

research

445

00:16:09,990 --> 00:16:08,000

it's a we actually put him to work last

446

00:16:11,670 --> 00:16:10,000

month and he was uh taking uh

447

00:16:13,350 --> 00:16:11,680

readings on uh

448

00:16:16,790 --> 00:16:13,360

an instrument called the velocicalcan

449

00:16:19,509 --> 00:16:16,800

basically reading uh the uh the velocity

450

00:16:22,389 --> 00:16:19,519

out of um uh inner module ventilation

451
00:16:24,069 --> 00:16:22,399
ducts and uh and it was a

452
00:16:25,430 --> 00:16:24,079
very neat thing to see

453
00:16:28,150 --> 00:16:25,440
probably one of the most important

454
00:16:30,790 --> 00:16:28,160
technological research um things that we

455
00:16:32,790 --> 00:16:30,800
have going on board space station is uh

456
00:16:34,870 --> 00:16:32,800
the regenerative environmental control

457
00:16:37,590 --> 00:16:34,880
life support system so the racks that

458
00:16:39,030 --> 00:16:37,600
make up uh the uh

459
00:16:39,829 --> 00:16:39,040
the uh

460
00:16:41,829 --> 00:16:39,839
the

461
00:16:43,829 --> 00:16:41,839
capability for us to

462
00:16:45,749 --> 00:16:43,839
to close the life support loop or at

463
00:16:48,150 --> 00:16:45,759

least partially close that are critical

464

00:16:49,990 --> 00:16:48,160

critical for exploring deep space every

465

00:16:51,990 --> 00:16:50,000

pound of stuff that we bring to space

466

00:16:55,670 --> 00:16:52,000

right now to low earth orbit takes 20 to

467

00:16:57,030 --> 00:16:55,680

25 pounds of rocket fuel and rocket body

468

00:16:58,550 --> 00:16:57,040

to get it up here that's how much

469

00:17:00,870 --> 00:16:58,560

kinetic energy you have to put into it

470

00:17:03,269 --> 00:17:00,880

to get here it means that every pound of

471

00:17:05,350 --> 00:17:03,279

me every pound of air that i breathe the

472

00:17:07,429 --> 00:17:05,360

food that i eat every pound of of

473

00:17:10,390 --> 00:17:07,439

scientific experiment payload that we

474

00:17:13,510 --> 00:17:10,400

install and work on in a rack here takes

475

00:17:15,669 --> 00:17:13,520

20 fold times more in rocket fuel to get

476
00:17:17,110 --> 00:17:15,679
here so what we want to do is basically

477
00:17:20,150 --> 00:17:17,120
capture all

478
00:17:22,069 --> 00:17:20,160
the moisture that we exhale all the

479
00:17:24,309 --> 00:17:22,079
moisture through urination that we we

480
00:17:26,949 --> 00:17:24,319
get rid of and take that and purify that

481
00:17:29,029 --> 00:17:26,959
water and uh and feed that water back

482
00:17:30,950 --> 00:17:29,039
into the front end of the environmental

483
00:17:32,870 --> 00:17:30,960
control system loop so it doesn't cost

484
00:17:35,270 --> 00:17:32,880
all that that much money and that

485
00:17:37,750 --> 00:17:35,280
technology also is very promising uh

486
00:17:40,710 --> 00:17:37,760
down the road for for allowing you to uh

487
00:17:42,549 --> 00:17:40,720
to deal with disasters in

488
00:17:44,390 --> 00:17:42,559

in areas where suddenly you don't have

489

00:17:46,950 --> 00:17:44,400

water available allows you to purify

490

00:17:49,270 --> 00:17:46,960

water and uh and do it in a in a very

491

00:17:50,070 --> 00:17:49,280

cost effective way

492

00:17:50,789 --> 00:17:50,080

so

493

00:17:53,190 --> 00:17:50,799

the

494

00:17:55,350 --> 00:17:53,200

that that whole piece of space station

495

00:17:57,029 --> 00:17:55,360

doesn't fall under the the rubric of

496

00:17:58,870 --> 00:17:57,039

what we call science investigation but

497

00:18:01,270 --> 00:17:58,880

it's a very important technological

498

00:18:02,870 --> 00:18:01,280

research investigation and we have spent

499

00:18:04,390 --> 00:18:02,880

a lot of time in those racks and spent a

500

00:18:06,950 --> 00:18:04,400

lot of time keeping that equipment

501
00:18:10,070 --> 00:18:06,960
working and in so doing have learned a

502
00:18:11,669 --> 00:18:10,080
lot about how uh how that gear works how

503
00:18:13,110 --> 00:18:11,679
to make it better for applications on

504
00:18:16,070 --> 00:18:13,120
earth how to make it better for

505
00:18:18,470 --> 00:18:16,080
applications leaving low earth or orbit

506
00:18:20,390 --> 00:18:18,480
so all in all when i look back on

507
00:18:21,270 --> 00:18:20,400
my tenure here and

508
00:18:23,510 --> 00:18:21,280
and

509
00:18:25,029 --> 00:18:23,520
thinking about returning home

510
00:18:26,870 --> 00:18:25,039
i think all of us can feel really good

511
00:18:30,549 --> 00:18:26,880
about the amount of things we got done

512
00:18:33,029 --> 00:18:30,559
and again i cannot overemphasize

513
00:18:34,630 --> 00:18:33,039

how much and how critical it is all the

514

00:18:36,870 --> 00:18:34,640

people that work on the ground that make

515

00:18:39,510 --> 00:18:36,880

all this possible and we're just one

516

00:18:41,190 --> 00:18:39,520

small part of that equation

517

00:18:42,390 --> 00:18:41,200

now when i sit down and think for a

518

00:18:44,870 --> 00:18:42,400

moment about

519

00:18:47,750 --> 00:18:44,880

about returning to planet earth

520

00:18:50,070 --> 00:18:47,760

part of me is really going to miss this

521

00:18:52,230 --> 00:18:50,080

it's indescribably wonderful to live in

522

00:18:54,150 --> 00:18:52,240

space to to have the incredible

523

00:18:55,510 --> 00:18:54,160

privilege of being up here to do the

524

00:18:57,029 --> 00:18:55,520

research we do

525

00:18:58,789 --> 00:18:57,039

to just float around to look out the

526

00:19:00,710 --> 00:18:58,799

window and see planet earth below and

527

00:19:01,990 --> 00:19:00,720

the and the stars

528

00:19:03,430 --> 00:19:02,000

above us

529

00:19:05,190 --> 00:19:03,440

and

530

00:19:07,190 --> 00:19:05,200

but by the same token

531

00:19:09,430 --> 00:19:07,200

it'll be so wonderful to see family

532

00:19:10,870 --> 00:19:09,440

again you you get to see your family

533

00:19:12,710 --> 00:19:10,880

once a week you get to talk to them on

534

00:19:14,630 --> 00:19:12,720

the phone every time you get uh some you

535

00:19:16,870 --> 00:19:14,640

know a chance maybe a once or twice a

536

00:19:18,150 --> 00:19:16,880

day even but it's not the same as being

537

00:19:20,070 --> 00:19:18,160

there so

538

00:19:21,830 --> 00:19:20,080

leaving this place will be hard seeing

539

00:19:23,350 --> 00:19:21,840

my family again will be the most

540

00:19:25,190 --> 00:19:23,360

wonderful consolation prize you can

541

00:19:27,029 --> 00:19:25,200

imagine

542

00:19:29,669 --> 00:19:27,039

smelling

543

00:19:31,669 --> 00:19:29,679

the the aromas of planet earth

544

00:19:33,510 --> 00:19:31,679

landing in the kazakh step

545

00:19:35,430 --> 00:19:33,520

on our soyuz and

546

00:19:36,549 --> 00:19:35,440

and uh and just climbing out of the

547

00:19:38,470 --> 00:19:36,559

hatch and

548

00:19:40,470 --> 00:19:38,480

and feeling fresh air on our face will

549

00:19:41,830 --> 00:19:40,480

be uh will be wonderful

550

00:19:43,750 --> 00:19:41,840

um

551
00:19:45,669 --> 00:19:43,760
the food that we have up here is great

552
00:19:46,950 --> 00:19:45,679
um there's a lot of uh

553
00:19:48,630 --> 00:19:46,960
of uh

554
00:19:50,310 --> 00:19:48,640
food that uh

555
00:19:51,830 --> 00:19:50,320
that i would that i can't have up here

556
00:19:55,110 --> 00:19:51,840
that i would very much like to have that

557
00:19:57,430 --> 00:19:55,120
will also be a good consolation prize

558
00:19:58,870 --> 00:19:57,440
the ride itself going uh leaving space

559
00:20:01,590 --> 00:19:58,880
station rendering earth earth's

560
00:20:03,750 --> 00:20:01,600
atmosphere in a capsule will be uh will

561
00:20:05,190 --> 00:20:03,760
be pretty spectacular by all accounts

562
00:20:06,549 --> 00:20:05,200
having done it a couple of times in a

563
00:20:08,630 --> 00:20:06,559

shuttle

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00:20:09,750 --> 00:20:08,640

i really look forward to the experience

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00:20:17,270 --> 00:20:09,760

to

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00:20:19,270 --> 00:20:17,280

a little bit sharper deceleration

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00:20:20,950 --> 00:20:19,280

particularly at the very bottom

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00:20:23,270 --> 00:20:20,960

but i think it'll be an awful lot of fun

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00:20:26,070 --> 00:20:23,280

if the ride uphill was any indication

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00:20:27,830 --> 00:20:26,080

it'll be a tremendous amount of fun and