

A large wall screen displaying a data table with multiple columns and rows of text. The text is too small to read, but it appears to be a log or a list of data points.

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00:00:00,121 --> 00:00:02,121
[Silence]

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00:00:02,236 --> 00:00:03,496
>> This is Mission
Control, Houston.

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00:00:03,496 --> 00:00:05,166
Welcome to today's ISS update.

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00:00:05,166 --> 00:00:07,876
It is Tuesday, October
16th, 2012.

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00:00:07,876 --> 00:00:10,636
You're looking at a live view
inside the Space Station Flight

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00:00:10,636 --> 00:00:12,496
Control Room here at the
Johnson Space Center.

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00:00:12,496 --> 00:00:15,446
This is the Orbit 2 team
that is currently on duty.

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00:00:15,446 --> 00:00:18,866
They are working with the
Expedition 33 crew members

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00:00:18,866 --> 00:00:20,446
onboard the orbiting complex.

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00:00:20,446 --> 00:00:22,806
Right now the Space
Station is high above Turkey

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00:00:23,216 --> 00:00:25,466
at an altitude of 263 miles.

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00:00:25,466 --> 00:00:27,946

That is heading up toward
the northeast over parts

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00:00:27,946 --> 00:00:29,586

of Kazakhstan, Russia.

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00:00:29,936 --> 00:00:31,276

And parts of Asia.

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00:00:31,666 --> 00:00:33,176

The crew is very busy today.

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00:00:33,176 --> 00:00:36,106

Working on a variety of
different experiment work

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00:00:36,106 --> 00:00:38,286

and research work onboard
the orbiting complex.

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00:00:39,016 --> 00:00:40,816

The commander of Expedition 33,

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00:00:40,816 --> 00:00:43,566

Suni Williams started
off her morning working

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00:00:43,566 --> 00:00:48,216

with the European Modular
Cultivation System or EMCS.

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00:00:48,356 --> 00:00:51,686

She was opening up some of the
gas module valves that are part

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00:00:51,686 --> 00:00:54,006

of that research facility.

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00:00:54,376 --> 00:00:56,676

This is a large incubator
onboard the Space Station

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00:00:56,676 --> 00:00:58,766

that serves as a growth chamber

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00:00:58,766 --> 00:01:01,736

for different types
of small plants.

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00:01:02,396 --> 00:01:06,206

That particular incubator can
actually simulate different

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00:01:06,316 --> 00:01:07,316

forces of gravity.

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00:01:07,316 --> 00:01:09,686

It can either have no gravity,
like they do up in space.

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00:01:09,816 --> 00:01:11,876

Or it can have two times the
gravity you would find here

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00:01:11,876 --> 00:01:12,326

on Earth.

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00:01:12,326 --> 00:01:15,276

And all that is designed
to find out what kind

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00:01:15,276 --> 00:01:18,376

of effects plants see
while they're up in space

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00:01:18,476 --> 00:01:19,356

with the crew members.

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00:01:19,726 --> 00:01:23,266

She also has a ham radio
pass with a school in Spain.

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00:01:23,756 --> 00:01:25,636

She's also performing
an acoustic survey

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00:01:25,636 --> 00:01:27,246

of the Space Station
environment.

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00:01:27,826 --> 00:01:30,056

The ground teams here instruct
the crew members throughout

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00:01:30,056 --> 00:01:31,746

their time onboard
the Space Station

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00:01:31,746 --> 00:01:33,366

to basically monitor their home.

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00:01:33,756 --> 00:01:34,976

Monitor the complex.

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00:01:35,746 --> 00:01:37,496

They take a variety
of different samples

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00:01:37,496 --> 00:01:39,286

around the orbiting laboratory.

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00:01:39,286 --> 00:01:41,136

Including the sound
environment just to make sure

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00:01:41,136 --> 00:01:44,426
that the sound levels with all
of that machinery and computers.

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00:01:44,796 --> 00:01:47,276
And all the acoustics
there are acceptable.

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00:01:47,276 --> 00:01:50,496
So she will send down the
results of that later on today.

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00:01:54,156 --> 00:01:57,696
She also has an onboard
training tag-up

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00:01:57,696 --> 00:01:59,426
as we call it here at NASA.

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00:01:59,426 --> 00:02:00,886
Just a quick conference
call with some

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00:02:00,886 --> 00:02:02,626
of the ground controllers
here in Houston.

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00:02:02,996 --> 00:02:06,236
As they get ready for the end of
the SpaceX Dragon mission coming

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00:02:06,236 --> 00:02:09,366
up at the end of the --
at the end of the month.

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00:02:10,786 --> 00:02:12,416
Suni Williams, as
well as Aki Hoshide,

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00:02:12,416 --> 00:02:14,486

her fellow Expedition
33 crew member.

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00:02:14,486 --> 00:02:20,106

Were a key part of capturing
the Dragon back last week

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00:02:20,106 --> 00:02:20,846

and installing it.

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00:02:20,846 --> 00:02:23,246

Toward the end of this month,
once that spacecraft is full

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00:02:23,246 --> 00:02:25,816

of all the items that are
going to come back to Earth.

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00:02:26,186 --> 00:02:28,156

They will basically be
reversing the process.

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00:02:28,156 --> 00:02:30,866

Using the Station's arm that
you saw there on the outside

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00:02:30,866 --> 00:02:33,186

of the Station to grab
on to Dragon once again.

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00:02:33,566 --> 00:02:35,186

To remove it from
the Space Station.

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00:02:35,186 --> 00:02:36,636

And to send it on its way.

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00:02:36,636 --> 00:02:39,386

So they're going to have a
conference call later on today

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00:02:39,386 --> 00:02:40,696

with some of the
ground controllers

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00:02:40,736 --> 00:02:43,136

who will be working
with them on that.

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00:02:44,956 --> 00:02:47,936

She, as well as Aki Hoshide,
also today are taking a look

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00:02:47,936 --> 00:02:50,016

at some of the proposed
procedures for the

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00:02:50,316 --> 00:02:52,066

up coming space walk
that may not.

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00:02:52,066 --> 00:02:53,956

That may take place toward
the end of this month.

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00:02:54,246 --> 00:02:55,526

Or the early part of November.

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00:02:56,416 --> 00:02:59,426

As we speak here
today on ISS update.

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00:02:59,426 --> 00:03:03,306

The Space Station program
management team is meeting

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00:03:03,306 --> 00:03:06,656

to talk exactly what will take
place during that space walk.

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00:03:06,656 --> 00:03:07,936

Whether we're going
to have one or two.

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00:03:07,936 --> 00:03:11,456

But the main focus of the
procedures are to look

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00:03:11,456 --> 00:03:13,706

at this ammonia leak
that the team has seen

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00:03:14,116 --> 00:03:15,686

on the P6 radiator.

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00:03:15,686 --> 00:03:18,636

The P6 truss is one of the
far out trusses out there

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00:03:18,636 --> 00:03:20,156

on the left-hand
side of the Station.

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00:03:20,566 --> 00:03:22,786

There's an ammonia leak on
part of the radiator there

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00:03:22,786 --> 00:03:25,396

that has increased
here recently.

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00:03:25,856 --> 00:03:28,066

So they're going to come up with
a way for the crew members to go

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00:03:28,066 --> 00:03:29,186

out there and mitigate that.

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00:03:29,606 --> 00:03:33,566

And once the Space Station
program control board approves

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00:03:33,566 --> 00:03:34,256
all of that.

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00:03:34,256 --> 00:03:37,386
We'll have information for
you here on NASA television.

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00:03:37,686 --> 00:03:40,956
As well as on nasa.gov,
in terms of what day

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00:03:40,956 --> 00:03:42,256
that space walk will take place.

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00:03:42,256 --> 00:03:44,436
And exactly what will
be involved in it.

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00:03:46,616 --> 00:03:49,006
Aki Hoshide is performing
an analysis to some

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00:03:49,006 --> 00:03:51,116
of the water onboard
the Space Station today.

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00:03:51,116 --> 00:03:54,316
He is setting up some radiation
monitors throughout the

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00:03:54,316 --> 00:03:54,916
Space Station.

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00:03:54,916 --> 00:03:57,836
As we talked about, Suni
Williams is doing some sampling

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00:03:57,836 --> 00:03:59,996

of the sound and the
acoustics onboard.

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00:04:00,276 --> 00:04:03,426

Aki Hoshide is setting up
some sensors that will measure

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00:04:03,796 --> 00:04:06,256

over the next several weeks
what the radiation levels are.

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00:04:06,846 --> 00:04:08,416

And that data will
be down linked

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00:04:08,506 --> 00:04:09,616

to the ground teams as well.

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00:04:11,086 --> 00:04:13,036

He is changing out
some batteries on some

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00:04:13,036 --> 00:04:15,226

of the laboratory
systems onboard.

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00:04:15,476 --> 00:04:18,306

He's also working with what's
called the Microbe 3 experiment.

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00:04:18,306 --> 00:04:21,816

Which takes a look at bacteria
inside the Kibo Laboratory.

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00:04:21,816 --> 00:04:24,686

That is the Japanese
facility onboard the Station.

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00:04:25,256 --> 00:04:28,036

That just takes a look at
different fungi and bacteria

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00:04:28,416 --> 00:04:29,646

that are growing in there.

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00:04:29,646 --> 00:04:31,186

Things that the human
eye can't see.

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00:04:31,646 --> 00:04:34,906

And that will help combat
things as we look toward going

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00:04:34,906 --> 00:04:36,776

on longer space flights
to an asteroid.

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00:04:36,776 --> 00:04:38,146

And on to Mars one day.

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00:04:38,146 --> 00:04:41,056

Obviously, you want to have
as sterile of an environment

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00:04:41,056 --> 00:04:43,556

as you possibly can
in your spaceship.

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00:04:44,626 --> 00:04:46,356

As we mentioned, he's also
going to be taking part

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00:04:46,356 --> 00:04:49,306

in that Dragon training
conference call

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00:04:49,306 --> 00:04:50,156

with the ground teams.

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00:04:50,156 --> 00:04:51,846

To figure out what
the crew's going

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00:04:51,846 --> 00:04:53,416

to be doing once Dragon departs.

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00:04:53,766 --> 00:04:58,276

And then Yuri Malenchenko, the
other flight engineer onboard,

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00:04:58,276 --> 00:04:59,806

is working in the
Russian segment.

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00:05:00,566 --> 00:05:03,106

He is working on
part of an experiment

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00:05:03,106 --> 00:05:04,426

that looks at circadian rhythms.

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00:05:04,426 --> 00:05:06,896

Obviously, most people here
on Earth know what that is.

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00:05:06,976 --> 00:05:09,736

What your body and how it reacts
to daylight and nighttime.

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00:05:10,106 --> 00:05:11,796

It's a little bit different
whenever you're up in space.

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00:05:11,796 --> 00:05:15,516

And you see more than a dozen
sunrises and sunsets per day.

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00:05:16,296 --> 00:05:18,286

Your body clock gets
thrown off a little bit.

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00:05:18,286 --> 00:05:19,666

So they're going to be
taking a look at that.

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00:05:19,666 --> 00:05:21,436

He's going to be wearing
some instrumentation

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00:05:21,886 --> 00:05:23,236

over the next several hours.

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00:05:23,596 --> 00:05:25,646

As they monitor how
his body reacts

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00:05:25,646 --> 00:05:27,846

to the Space Station
environment.

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00:05:27,846 --> 00:05:29,966

He's also going to be doing
a fitness evaluation today.

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00:05:30,366 --> 00:05:31,806

Spending about an
hour and a half

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00:05:31,806 --> 00:05:34,676

on the treadmill inside
the Russian segment.

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00:05:34,676 --> 00:05:36,886

Obviously, exercise
is an important part

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00:05:37,266 --> 00:05:39,626

of the crew members'
daily activities.

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00:05:39,626 --> 00:05:42,226

Down at the Baikonur Cosmodrome,
while the crew is up in space.

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00:05:42,616 --> 00:05:44,426

Their fellow crew members that
are going to be joining them

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00:05:44,426 --> 00:05:45,916

as part of Expedition 33.

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00:05:46,306 --> 00:05:49,126

Oleg Novitskiy, Evgeny
Tarelkin, and Kevin Ford.

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00:05:49,126 --> 00:05:51,356

Which you see there are
undergoing final preparations

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00:05:51,356 --> 00:05:52,296

for their launch.

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00:05:52,696 --> 00:05:54,826

That launch is coming
up on October 23rd,

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00:05:55,196 --> 00:05:58,336

at 5:51 a.m. Central Time.

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00:05:58,336 --> 00:06:00,756

That is 6:51 a.m. Eastern Time.

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00:06:01,166 --> 00:06:02,686

They'll be launching
on a Soyuz rocket.

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00:06:02,686 --> 00:06:04,036

Of course, we'll have
live coverage here

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00:06:04,036 --> 00:06:05,056

on NASA television.

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00:06:05,426 --> 00:06:09,006

As well as of their docking
two days later on October 25th.

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00:06:09,006 --> 00:06:13,326

That docking scheduled for
7:35 a.m. Central Time.