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00:00:00,500 --> 00:02:52,010
[Background noise]

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00:02:52,010 --> 00:03:10,220
[Background conversation]

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00:03:10,220 --> 00:03:12,600
>> Everything is great.

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00:03:12,600 --> 00:03:14,510
Plant many.

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00:03:14,510 --> 00:03:23,060
[Background conversation]

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00:03:23,060 --> 00:03:23,660
>> Is that all?

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00:03:23,660 --> 00:03:27,390
Yes, let's go.

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00:03:27,390 --> 00:03:30,990
>> Ford: Well, hey, how's
everybody out there in the USA?

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00:03:30,990 --> 00:03:34,370
For national TV, I
think we're doing this.

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00:03:34,370 --> 00:03:36,160
So I'm here with
Oleg and Evgeny,

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00:03:36,160 --> 00:03:39,720
and we are just 6 days prior to
our launch, and the tradition is

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00:03:39,720 --> 00:03:42,880

that all cosmonauts who fly out
of the Cosmodrome come out here

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00:03:42,880 --> 00:03:45,050

and plant a tree for
their first flight,

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00:03:45,050 --> 00:03:47,910

and since this is the first
flight on Soyuz for all 3 of us,

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00:03:47,910 --> 00:03:51,250

we were lucky today, and we
all planted our trees together,

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00:03:51,250 --> 00:03:52,860

and it's a great tradition.

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00:03:52,860 --> 00:03:55,490

When we have a chance to return
hopefully some day I'll come

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00:03:55,490 --> 00:03:57,840

back for somebody else's
launch, come back out here

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00:03:57,840 --> 00:04:01,770

and see how my tree's doing just
like we walk around and look

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00:04:01,770 --> 00:04:04,650

at all the other cosmonauts
and astronauts who are out here

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00:04:04,650 --> 00:04:07,890

and kind of relive the history
of the Cosmodrome out here.

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00:04:07,890 --> 00:04:10,060

So really it's really,

really a great tradition up

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00:04:10,060 --> 00:04:11,640

and down all these
walks here to come out

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00:04:11,640 --> 00:04:14,030

and see really the
history of space flight

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00:04:14,030 --> 00:04:15,510

from the Cosmodrome
here in Kazakhstan.

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00:04:15,510 --> 00:04:30,010

[Background noise]

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00:04:30,010 --> 00:04:42,160

[Foreign language spoken]

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00:04:42,160 --> 00:04:43,360

>> [Background conversation]
Did you change something

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00:04:43,360 --> 00:04:45,320

in the vehicle globally?

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00:04:45,320 --> 00:04:49,130

You cannot change anything,

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00:04:49,130 --> 00:04:54,070

but all crewmembers can
have their own remarks

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00:04:54,070 --> 00:04:57,520

but in most cases they
can fix that in the cells.

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00:04:57,520 --> 00:05:02,110

We took some souvenirs with us, some personal items,

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00:05:02,110 --> 00:05:06,660

and these souvenirs will be in space, probably,

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00:05:06,660 --> 00:05:08,800

which is the most important we took.

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00:05:08,800 --> 00:05:11,600

>> Ford: Well, I've just always loved things mechanical

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00:05:11,600 --> 00:05:15,660

and doing things outdoors, and I started flying at a young age,

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00:05:15,660 --> 00:05:20,840

so I loved aviation and became a test pilot and an engineer,

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00:05:20,840 --> 00:05:25,090

and it was just kind of the next step for me to apply

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00:05:25,090 --> 00:05:27,510

to be an astronaut, and, of course,

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00:05:27,510 --> 00:05:29,590

I think there's not a more exciting job.

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00:05:29,590 --> 00:05:36,680

To me it's just the best job on the planet and off the planet.

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00:05:36,680 --> 00:05:39,900

>> Tell us about
some little fish...

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00:05:39,900 --> 00:05:40,370
goldfish...

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00:05:40,370 --> 00:05:41,220
>> Ford: They're fish,

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00:05:41,220 --> 00:05:42,980
but they're actually medika
[assumed spelling] fish

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00:05:42,980 --> 00:05:47,540
from Japan, and they're part
of a study in Japanese lab Kebo

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00:05:47,540 --> 00:05:52,040
that we'll look at [inaudible]
and construction when in orbit,

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00:05:52,040 --> 00:05:54,760
osteoblast, osteoblasts,
and their bones are just

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00:05:54,760 --> 00:05:56,860
like human bones
or mammal's bones,

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00:05:56,860 --> 00:05:59,680
so it will be a very good
study for osteoporosis,

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00:05:59,680 --> 00:06:02,510
for bone loss in elderly people.

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00:06:02,510 --> 00:06:10,240
[Background noise]

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00:06:10,240 --> 00:06:12,150
>> Thank you.

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00:06:12,150 --> 00:06:14,770
>> Kevin? Kevin, can
you tell us what kind

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00:06:14,770 --> 00:06:16,890
of activity you participated
in today

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00:06:16,890 --> 00:06:18,610
and what's your impression
of it?

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00:06:18,610 --> 00:06:20,030
>> Ford: Well, this
is our last chance

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00:06:20,030 --> 00:06:24,410
to see the rocket all packed up
and ready to go for launch day.

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00:06:24,410 --> 00:06:27,150
It's already inside the shroud
and now they just lie it down

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00:06:27,150 --> 00:06:28,980
and attach it to the
front of the rocket.

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00:06:28,980 --> 00:06:33,100
All of the payloads are
already strapped onto what we

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00:06:33,100 --> 00:06:34,340
like to call divon
[assumed spelling].

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00:06:34,340 --> 00:06:36,460

It's a big place on the
inside of the [inaudible].

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00:06:36,460 --> 00:06:39,420

They'll put all the loads in
there, and they filled up all

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00:06:39,420 --> 00:06:40,660

of our food containers,

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00:06:40,660 --> 00:06:42,540

and they've completely
configured our seats

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00:06:42,540 --> 00:06:43,040

and everything.

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00:06:43,040 --> 00:06:44,030

So it's ready to flight.

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00:06:44,030 --> 00:06:46,480

So it's our last chance
to see everything.

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00:06:46,480 --> 00:06:49,230

It looks beautiful inside, and
we're very satisfied with it

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00:06:49,230 --> 00:06:52,090

and ready to go fly
in just a few days.

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00:06:53,390 --> 00:06:54,450

[Background question]

Tell you about the Soyuz?

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00:06:54,450 --> 00:06:58,140

Well, today the Soyuz is all
encapsulated now inside the

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00:06:58,140 --> 00:07:01,280

shroud and ready to go, and
it's all loaded up for flight,

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00:07:01,280 --> 00:07:04,800

[inaudible] [background noise]
and everything is put in place,

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00:07:04,800 --> 00:07:13,430

especially things that we
requested plus all the payloads

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00:07:13,430 --> 00:07:21,030

that we'll deliver on 32S for
Expeditions 33 and 34 on there.

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00:07:21,030 --> 00:07:27,300

So all those time
critical payloads.

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00:07:27,300 --> 00:07:33,210

I mean we need to just review
and see where they all are

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00:07:33,210 --> 00:07:34,050

so we can get to them quickly

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00:07:34,050 --> 00:07:34,950

and get them into
position in ISS.

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00:07:34,950 --> 00:07:35,020

[Background question]

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00:07:35,020 --> 00:07:35,490

About my space crew?

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00:07:35,490 --> 00:07:36,750

Very experienced in the

trading environment,

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00:07:36,750 --> 00:07:37,350
and I'm looking forward

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00:07:37,350 --> 00:07:38,310
to seeing them fly
for the first time.

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00:07:38,310 --> 00:07:38,700
They are cosmos.

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00:07:38,700 --> 00:07:39,480
They have all the
skills they need,

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00:07:39,480 --> 00:07:40,290
and we get along like brothers.

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00:07:40,290 --> 00:07:40,800
So we're really ready

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00:07:40,800 --> 00:07:42,510
to go spend 5 months
in the space station.

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00:07:42,510 --> 00:07:51,360
[Foreign language spoken]

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00:07:51,360 --> 00:07:54,590
>> [Background conversation]
We are like family members.

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00:07:54,590 --> 00:08:00,040
We... very, very close and
finally the vehicle is ready.

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00:08:00,040 --> 00:08:01,530
The crew's absolutely great.

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00:08:01,530 --> 00:08:09,450

We were training together, so
it was really, really great.

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00:08:09,450 --> 00:08:10,160

[Foreign language spoken]

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00:08:10,160 --> 00:08:13,730

For the first time the vehicle
had its name, Yuri Gagarin.

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00:08:13,730 --> 00:08:19,740

It was named in honor of
the fiftieth anniversary

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00:08:19,740 --> 00:08:22,410

of the first human flight.

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00:08:22,410 --> 00:08:30,990

The rescue team found
some fragment in the step

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00:08:30,990 --> 00:08:35,510

of Kazakhstan and then
gifted it to our museum.

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00:08:35,510 --> 00:08:57,440

[Background noise]

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00:08:57,440 --> 00:08:59,780

>> [Inaudible], have
you signed it yet?

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00:08:59,780 --> 00:09:01,510

Yes, yes. Some time ago.