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00:00:04,303 --> 00:00:06,272
>> This is Mission Control
Houston; we want to welcome you

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00:00:06,272 --> 00:00:07,706
to today's space station live.

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00:00:07,706 --> 00:00:10,376
It is Tuesday, August 27, 2013.

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00:00:10,376 --> 00:00:12,545
The crews are very busy
onboard the space station today,

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00:00:12,545 --> 00:00:15,081
the biggest news of the
day is that Luca Parmitano

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00:00:15,081 --> 00:00:17,049
and Chris Cassidy
have been working

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00:00:17,049 --> 00:00:18,884
on that troublesome spacesuit

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00:00:18,884 --> 00:00:22,188
that Luca Parmitano was
wearing back on July 16th.

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00:00:22,188 --> 00:00:25,191
You're taking a look at pretty
much what Luca Parmitano had

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00:00:25,191 --> 00:00:27,293
seen during that
eventful spacewalk

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00:00:27,293 --> 00:00:29,762
that lasted one hour

and 32 minutes.

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00:00:29,762 --> 00:00:31,831

What the crew has been doing today is basically powering

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00:00:31,831 --> 00:00:33,866

up the spacesuit, almost as if they were

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00:00:33,866 --> 00:00:35,601

about to conduct another spacewalk.

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00:00:35,601 --> 00:00:37,903

Obviously Luca's not inside the suit this time

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00:00:37,903 --> 00:00:40,005

but they did verify that this water problem

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00:00:40,005 --> 00:00:43,509

with this water coming up into the helmet still does exist.

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00:00:43,509 --> 00:00:46,212

This is important because as the ground teams

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00:00:46,212 --> 00:00:48,714

and the crew onboard attempt to recreate this problem,

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00:00:48,714 --> 00:00:51,584

they want to make sure obviously that the problem is still there.

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00:00:51,584 --> 00:00:54,286

The investigation does

continue into this spacesuit

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00:00:54,286 --> 00:00:55,988
on two different fronts;

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00:00:55,988 --> 00:00:59,525
the engineering teams are
taking a look at the root cause.

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00:00:59,525 --> 00:01:02,995
They're going to have the crew
begin to manipulate this suit

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00:01:02,995 --> 00:01:05,631
and to take some of the parts
out that will be returned

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00:01:05,631 --> 00:01:08,367
to earth for investigation
but they needed to verify

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00:01:08,367 --> 00:01:10,903
that this problem did exist
before they do that so sort

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00:01:10,903 --> 00:01:14,273
of a form of baseline so that
anything they do to the suit

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00:01:14,273 --> 00:01:17,042
in the future, any
changes they do make,

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00:01:17,042 --> 00:01:19,411
they know whether
those will work or not.

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00:01:19,411 --> 00:01:20,913
So again, you're seeing
some of this water come

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00:01:20,913 --> 00:01:22,281
up into this spacesuit helmet.

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00:01:22,281 --> 00:01:25,484
This is very similar to what
Luca Parmitano did experience

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00:01:25,484 --> 00:01:28,954
back on July 16th, as he and
Chris Cassidy stepped outside

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00:01:28,954 --> 00:01:31,590
for this spacewalk that
was due to last about six

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00:01:31,590 --> 00:01:33,192
and a half, seven hours.

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00:01:33,192 --> 00:01:35,561
It was cut short, down to
an hour and 32 minutes,

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00:01:35,561 --> 00:01:38,030
whenever Luca did feel
this water coming up,

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00:01:38,030 --> 00:01:39,798
back behind his head.

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00:01:39,798 --> 00:01:41,433
Of course that is not
something that you want

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00:01:41,433 --> 00:01:44,303
to have happen while you're
out doing a spacewalk so he

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00:01:44,303 --> 00:01:48,107

and Chris did cut
the spacewalk short.

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00:01:48,107 --> 00:01:49,575

While this activity's
taking place,

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00:01:49,575 --> 00:01:51,277

Karen Nyberg has
been busy as well,

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00:01:51,277 --> 00:01:53,546

working on the experiment
known as Spheres,

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00:01:53,546 --> 00:01:54,947

you've see it quite a bit here

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00:01:54,947 --> 00:01:57,016

on NASA Television throughout
these expeditions onboard the

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00:01:57,016 --> 00:01:58,317

space station.

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00:01:58,317 --> 00:01:59,618

It looks like something
out of a movie

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00:01:59,618 --> 00:02:03,255

but these are basically free
flying satellites or pods

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00:02:03,255 --> 00:02:05,424

that are designed to test

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00:02:05,424 --> 00:02:09,028

out formation flying onboard
the international space station.

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00:02:09,028 --> 00:02:10,896

this particular Spheres
experiment

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00:02:10,896 --> 00:02:13,566

which is called Spheres Rings
looks a little bit different.

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00:02:13,566 --> 00:02:17,236

It is run out of DARPA and
the University of Maryland

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00:02:17,236 --> 00:02:20,539

and what it attempts to do is
not only test formation flying

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00:02:20,539 --> 00:02:22,942

but also whether these two
little, mini satellites

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00:02:22,942 --> 00:02:26,545

or three mini satellites can
transfer power between them

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00:02:26,545 --> 00:02:28,647

which of course has
direct implications

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00:02:28,647 --> 00:02:30,649

to bigger satellites
that could be up in orbit

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00:02:30,649 --> 00:02:35,120

so that activity will continue
throughout Karen's afternoon.

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00:02:35,120 --> 00:02:37,456

Luca Parmitano, himself,
has been working on not only

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00:02:37,456 --> 00:02:39,191
that troublesome
spacesuit with Chris Cassidy

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00:02:39,191 --> 00:02:40,726
but he's been working on
something that is called

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00:02:40,726 --> 00:02:43,996
In Space 3; this is an
experiment that takes a look

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00:02:43,996 --> 00:02:45,864
at something colloids.

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00:02:45,864 --> 00:02:48,801
These are sort of particles
that are suspended in liquids;

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00:02:48,801 --> 00:02:50,936
there's different forms of
this experiment onboard the

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00:02:50,936 --> 00:02:54,206
international space station
but it has direct implications

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00:02:54,206 --> 00:02:57,576
to life here on earth because
these particles that are

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00:02:57,576 --> 00:03:00,913
in these fluids change
properties whenever a magnetic

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00:03:00,913 --> 00:03:02,248
field is applied to it.

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00:03:02,248 --> 00:03:05,451

They actually solidify and
the liquid can change now what

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00:03:05,451 --> 00:03:09,154
that means for us here on earth
is that this particular type

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00:03:09,154 --> 00:03:11,824
of colloid or liquid could
be used in brake systems,

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00:03:11,824 --> 00:03:13,759
it could be used in
buildings and bridges

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00:03:13,759 --> 00:03:17,129
to make them more earthquake
proof or things such as

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00:03:17,129 --> 00:03:20,032
that and also robotics.

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00:03:20,032 --> 00:03:23,836
So this In Space 3 will continue
throughout Luca's afternoon.

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00:03:23,836 --> 00:03:26,272
The crew also has several
different crew earth observation

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00:03:26,272 --> 00:03:27,406
opportunities today;
they're going

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00:03:27,406 --> 00:03:28,907
to be passing over Tanzania.

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00:03:28,907 --> 00:03:31,443
They will also be taking a
look at some of the flooding

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00:03:31,443 --> 00:03:33,779

that is occurring
in Eastern Russia.

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00:03:33,779 --> 00:03:34,880

This is considered some

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00:03:34,880 --> 00:03:37,149

of the worst flooding
in almost 100 years.

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00:03:37,149 --> 00:03:40,085

There's more than 32,000 people
that are being affected by it.

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00:03:40,085 --> 00:03:42,821

The Amur River has
actually broken its banks

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00:03:42,821 --> 00:03:45,557

and is currently overflowing so
they will take a look at that.

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00:03:45,557 --> 00:03:47,226

There's also some
wildfires taking place

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00:03:47,226 --> 00:03:48,560

over the United States and some

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00:03:48,560 --> 00:03:51,230

of the smoke plumes should
be visible from the crew,

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00:03:51,230 --> 00:03:53,666

they did capture some
images of that yesterday.

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00:03:53,666 --> 00:03:55,034

So if you haven't seen those,

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00:03:55,034 --> 00:03:58,037

just log onto nasa.gov slash
station and take a look at them.

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00:03:58,037 --> 00:04:01,807

And of course you can always
take a look at all of the rest

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00:04:01,807 --> 00:04:04,476

of the crew earth observations
by visiting the NASA website

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00:04:04,476 --> 00:04:05,878

to take a look at
all the imagery

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00:04:05,878 --> 00:04:08,814

that the crews have captured
throughout their times on orbit.

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00:04:08,814 --> 00:04:11,317

Finally, a programming
reminder for tomorrow;

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00:04:11,317 --> 00:04:13,218

we will have a crew news
conference from here

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00:04:13,218 --> 00:04:15,487

at the Johnson Space Center,
that will be Expedition 38

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00:04:15,487 --> 00:04:17,389

and 39, that will begin

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00:04:17,389 --> 00:04:20,893

at 1 p.m. Central Time,

2 p.m. Eastern Time.

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00:04:20,893 --> 00:04:23,362

The crew will be talking
to various traditional

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00:04:23,362 --> 00:04:25,497

and social media members here
at the Johnson Space Center

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00:04:25,497 --> 00:04:27,232

about what the two
expect as they get ready

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00:04:27,232 --> 00:04:29,601

to get launch coming up toward
the end of the year; again,

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00:04:29,601 --> 00:04:32,871

that Expedition 38, 39
crew news conference coming

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00:04:32,871 --> 00:04:34,173

up on NASA television tomorrow