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00:00:00,470 --> 00:00:06,830

The Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite, or GOES-R, arrived August 22 aboard

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00:00:06,830 --> 00:00:12,260

an Air Force C-5 Galaxy transport at the Shuttle Landing Facility at NASA's Kennedy Space Center

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00:00:12,260 --> 00:00:13,540

in Florida.

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00:00:13,540 --> 00:00:19,119

GOES-R will be the first satellite in a series of next-generation NOAA GOES Satellites.

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00:00:19,119 --> 00:00:25,320

It will launch to a geostationary position over the U.S. to provide images of storms

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00:00:25,320 --> 00:00:30,730

and help predict weather forecasts, severe weather outlooks, watches and warnings, lightning

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00:00:30,730 --> 00:00:34,180

conditions and longer term forecasting.

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00:00:34,180 --> 00:00:38,910

The satellite was offloaded and transported to the Astrotech payload processing facility

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00:00:38,910 --> 00:00:44,570

in Titusville, Florida, near Kennedy to begin processing for its upcoming flight aboard

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00:00:44,570 --> 00:00:50,000

a United Launch Alliance Atlas V rocket from Space Launch Complex 41 at Cape Canaveral

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00:00:50,000 --> 00:00:51,790

Air Force Station.

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00:00:51,790 --> 00:00:58,850
The satellite was inspected, raised to the vertical position and secured on a work stand.

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00:00:58,850 --> 00:01:04,329
The Advanced Base Line Imager, the primary optical instrument for GOES-R, was prepared

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00:01:04,329 --> 00:01:10,540
and installed onto the satellite by Lockheed Martin and Harris Corp. technicians.

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00:01:10,540 --> 00:01:16,553
With the lights out, an optics test was performed on the Advanced Baseline Imager on August 31

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00:01:17,813 --> 00:01:21,740
Final launch preparations were performed prior to fueling the satellite.

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00:01:21,970 --> 00:01:27,730
On the same day it arrived, September 26, the Atlas V Centaur upper stage was transported

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00:01:27,730 --> 00:01:32,710
by truck from the Horizontal Integration Facility to the Atlas Spaceflight Operations Center

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00:01:32,710 --> 00:01:36,110
near Space Launch Complex 41.

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00:01:36,110 --> 00:01:42,080
Inside Astrotech, both halves of the fairing for GOES-R were inspected and cleaned.

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00:01:42,080 --> 00:01:46,880
The Atlas V first stage was moved on a transport trailer to the Vertical Integration Facility

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00:01:46,880 --> 00:01:53,400
at Space Launch Complex 41 on October 24 and
lifted to the vertical position.

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00:01:53,400 --> 00:01:59,950
The GOES-R satellite was enclosed in the payload
fairing at Astrotech on October 21 and transported

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00:01:59,950 --> 00:02:03,110
to the pad Nov. 9

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00:02:03,110 --> 00:02:08,069
Enclosed within the payload fairing, GOES-R
was lifted and placed atop the Atlas V rocket

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00:02:08,069 --> 00:02:10,360
to await launch day.