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00:00:07,190 --> 00:00:05,269  
good morning thank you for joining us

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00:00:09,870 --> 00:00:07,200  
here at nasa's kennedy space center in

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00:00:12,390 --> 00:00:09,880  
florida for the space shuttle atlantis

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00:00:14,070 --> 00:00:12,400  
sts-132 pre-launch news conference

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00:00:16,070 --> 00:00:14,080  
joining me today is the chair of the

6  
00:00:17,830 --> 00:00:16,080  
mission management team mike moses good

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00:00:19,830 --> 00:00:17,840  
morning

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00:00:21,990 --> 00:00:19,840  
shuttle launch director mike leinbach

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00:00:24,470 --> 00:00:22,000  
good morning

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00:00:26,950 --> 00:00:24,480  
and sts-132 weather officer todd

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00:00:28,150 --> 00:00:26,960  
mcnamara good morning

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00:00:30,230 --> 00:00:28,160  
we'll hear from our panelists and then

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00:00:31,189 --> 00:00:30,240

we'll take questions mr moses thanks

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00:00:33,030 --> 00:00:31,199

kendrick

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00:00:34,549 --> 00:00:33,040

well welcome everybody

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00:00:37,030 --> 00:00:34,559

here to report uh

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00:00:38,790 --> 00:00:37,040

the results of our I minus 2 mmt that's

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00:00:40,869 --> 00:00:38,800

our mission management team meeting here

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00:00:42,150 --> 00:00:40,879

on launch minus two days it's kind of

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00:00:43,350 --> 00:00:42,160

the kickoff of the official mission

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00:00:44,950 --> 00:00:43,360

management team

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00:00:46,310 --> 00:00:44,960

as we get ready to go into the countdown

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00:00:48,709 --> 00:00:46,320

and launch

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00:00:49,590 --> 00:00:48,719

we really had nothing to talk about in

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00:00:51,350 --> 00:00:49,600

fact

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00:00:53,430 --> 00:00:51,360

i stretched the meeting out to 18

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00:00:55,110 --> 00:00:53,440

minutes long today it was a it was a

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00:00:55,910 --> 00:00:55,120

challenge but we managed to pull that

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00:00:57,029 --> 00:00:55,920

off

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00:00:59,189 --> 00:00:57,039

talked a little bit about the weather

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00:01:00,869 --> 00:00:59,199

todd will cover that here today

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00:01:01,990 --> 00:01:00,879

we talked about the systems mike gave us

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00:01:03,189 --> 00:01:02,000

the status on the countdown he'll give

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00:01:04,630 --> 00:01:03,199

you that update as well everything's

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00:01:05,990 --> 00:01:04,640

looking great

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00:01:07,670 --> 00:01:06,000

the vehicle is in great shape out on the

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00:01:09,350 --> 00:01:07,680

pad we talked to the station team you

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00:01:10,830 --> 00:01:09,360

know they just finished the relocation

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00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:10,840

of the soyuz the

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00:01:15,749 --> 00:01:14,000

21st over from the the fgb nader port

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00:01:17,190 --> 00:01:15,759

which is where the the mrm module that

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00:01:19,990 --> 00:01:17,200

we're bringing up is going to go and

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00:01:22,710 --> 00:01:20,000

it's now back at the sm aft uh position

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00:01:23,990 --> 00:01:22,720

so the iss is in good shape um all their

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00:01:25,350 --> 00:01:24,000

criteria that they need to have

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00:01:27,030 --> 00:01:25,360

satisfied before we're ready to launch

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00:01:28,789 --> 00:01:27,040

have been met and so they're ready for

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00:01:29,990 --> 00:01:28,799

our mission uh the crew's been doing

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00:01:31,590 --> 00:01:30,000

good they're in good shape they've been

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00:01:33,749 --> 00:01:31,600

flying the sta they're gonna have one

51  
00:01:34,789 --> 00:01:33,759  
more run tomorrow and they'll be ready

52  
00:01:36,710 --> 00:01:34,799  
to go

53  
00:01:38,710 --> 00:01:36,720  
and so from uh from a space shuttle

54  
00:01:40,230 --> 00:01:38,720  
program iss program standpoint we're

55  
00:01:41,590 --> 00:01:40,240  
ready to launch atlantis and get this

56  
00:01:43,590 --> 00:01:41,600  
mission underway

57  
00:01:45,429 --> 00:01:43,600  
um just to recap you know you've heard

58  
00:01:47,590 --> 00:01:45,439  
all the pre-mission briefings uh three

59  
00:01:49,990 --> 00:01:47,600  
evas on this flight the first one is

60  
00:01:51,590 --> 00:01:50,000  
basically getting uh some of the orus

61  
00:01:52,630 --> 00:01:51,600  
which are the orbital replacement units

62  
00:01:54,789 --> 00:01:52,640  
the spares

63  
00:01:55,910 --> 00:01:54,799

off of one of the the payload

64

00:01:58,709 --> 00:01:55,920

racks that we're carrying up it's called

65

00:02:00,230 --> 00:01:58,719

an icc vld it's a deployable carrier

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00:02:02,630 --> 00:02:00,240

it's going to go over to the station on

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00:02:03,910 --> 00:02:02,640

flight day three after we dock

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00:02:06,230 --> 00:02:03,920

the first dva they'll go out and they'll

69

00:02:07,590 --> 00:02:06,240

take off a ku band antenna that'll be

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00:02:10,469 --> 00:02:07,600

used as a spare antenna to put that on

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00:02:12,150 --> 00:02:10,479

the station and a transfer platform an

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00:02:14,710 --> 00:02:12,160

enhanced transfer platform that goes on

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00:02:16,869 --> 00:02:14,720

the spdm which is the special purpose

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00:02:18,150 --> 00:02:16,879

dexterous manipulator the dexter

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00:02:20,390 --> 00:02:18,160

robot arm that

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00:02:21,750 --> 00:02:20,400  
was launched back on sts-123

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00:02:23,589 --> 00:02:21,760  
built by canada

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00:02:25,430 --> 00:02:23,599  
to be the the station

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00:02:27,589 --> 00:02:25,440  
extra robotic hands and so we're going

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00:02:29,350 --> 00:02:27,599  
to give it a a new trench or a new

81

00:02:30,790 --> 00:02:29,360  
stowage platform that's powered and and

82

00:02:32,630 --> 00:02:30,800  
has a lot more capability than the one

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00:02:34,949 --> 00:02:32,640  
that's up there right now

84

00:02:36,630 --> 00:02:34,959  
uh and then we start two evas so evas

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00:02:39,430 --> 00:02:36,640  
two and three will be battery

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00:02:42,470 --> 00:02:39,440  
replacements rnr's re remove and replace

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00:02:45,110 --> 00:02:42,480  
uh basically on sts-127 we removed six

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00:02:47,110 --> 00:02:45,120

of the batteries from the p6 trust the

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00:02:48,390 --> 00:02:47,120

port uh number six truss that was the

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00:02:49,110 --> 00:02:48,400

first one that was launched way back

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00:02:51,350 --> 00:02:49,120

when

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00:02:53,030 --> 00:02:51,360

and used as this initial solar

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00:02:54,229 --> 00:02:53,040

platform for the station so their

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00:02:56,470 --> 00:02:54,239

batteries are kind of at the end of

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00:02:58,710 --> 00:02:56,480

their life we changed out six of them on

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00:03:01,670 --> 00:02:58,720

sts-127 we'll change out the remaining

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00:03:04,070 --> 00:03:01,680

six on this mission and bring those home

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00:03:06,470 --> 00:03:04,080

and then the mrm which is the russian uh

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00:03:08,630 --> 00:03:06,480

multi-purpose research module that's

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00:03:11,190 --> 00:03:08,640

going uh over on flight day five that'll

101  
00:03:12,470 --> 00:03:11,200  
be installed on the fgb and i think

102  
00:03:13,830 --> 00:03:12,480  
about flight day seven they'll open the

103  
00:03:15,990 --> 00:03:13,840  
hatches and do ingress they're not gonna

104  
00:03:18,470 --> 00:03:16,000  
do a full ingress that thing is packed

105  
00:03:19,830 --> 00:03:18,480  
to the gills with cargo inside and until

106  
00:03:21,509 --> 00:03:19,840  
the shuttle crew leaves there's not

107  
00:03:23,350 --> 00:03:21,519  
enough room on station to completely

108  
00:03:24,949 --> 00:03:23,360  
unpack that module and start to stow it

109  
00:03:26,229 --> 00:03:24,959  
in the right place so they'll do a quick

110  
00:03:27,589 --> 00:03:26,239  
ingress environmental check but they're

111  
00:03:29,430 --> 00:03:27,599  
not going to do a whole lot of work

112  
00:03:31,509 --> 00:03:29,440  
inside that module

113  
00:03:33,350 --> 00:03:31,519

the last thing to talk about is is the

114

00:03:35,589 --> 00:03:33,360

middeck science this mission's carrying

115

00:03:38,309 --> 00:03:35,599

up a whole lot of science in fact we we

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00:03:39,990 --> 00:03:38,319

added a lot um we call it kind of sortie

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00:03:41,350 --> 00:03:40,000

science that it's going to be done on

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00:03:43,030 --> 00:03:41,360

the station but it's going to take

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00:03:44,550 --> 00:03:43,040

advantage of the shuttle crew and the

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00:03:46,390 --> 00:03:44,560

extra hands that are going to be around

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00:03:48,390 --> 00:03:46,400

so we're flying a lot of science

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00:03:49,910 --> 00:03:48,400

missions on the mid-deck they're going

123

00:03:51,670 --> 00:03:49,920

to go up be transferred over station be

124

00:03:53,509 --> 00:03:51,680

run and executed and then brought back

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00:03:54,630 --> 00:03:53,519

down and returned on this mission so a

126

00:03:56,470 --> 00:03:54,640

couple of days worth of science

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00:03:58,949 --> 00:03:56,480

operations in fact it's one of the

128

00:04:01,270 --> 00:03:58,959

reasons why if we find ourselves in a

129

00:04:03,350 --> 00:04:01,280

slip situation you'll see us talk about

130

00:04:04,789 --> 00:04:03,360

uh there's a sliver of window in june

131

00:04:06,470 --> 00:04:04,799

that we would probably not try to launch

132

00:04:07,990 --> 00:04:06,480

into and that's because there would only

133

00:04:09,830 --> 00:04:08,000

be a three person crew on station and

134

00:04:11,350 --> 00:04:09,840

and that would lose the ability to do

135

00:04:12,789 --> 00:04:11,360

that science that we're carrying up

136

00:04:15,350 --> 00:04:12,799

specifically on this mission for that

137

00:04:16,390 --> 00:04:15,360

purpose so so not to talk about the bad

138

00:04:17,590 --> 00:04:16,400

news of slipping because we're going to

139

00:04:19,509 --> 00:04:17,600

launch friday it's going to be perfect

140

00:04:20,629 --> 00:04:19,519

everything will be great but uh but it

141

00:04:21,749 --> 00:04:20,639

just wanted to highlight the science

142

00:04:23,749 --> 00:04:21,759

that we are taking up and the

143

00:04:25,670 --> 00:04:23,759

utilization we're doing on the station

144

00:04:27,990 --> 00:04:25,680

speaking of station i did want to to

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00:04:29,830 --> 00:04:28,000

give a reminder to the fact that they're

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00:04:31,749 --> 00:04:29,840

receiving a huge honor tomorrow night up

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00:04:33,749 --> 00:04:31,759

in arlington uh they're they've received

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00:04:35,590 --> 00:04:33,759

the 2009 collier trophy from the

149

00:04:36,629 --> 00:04:35,600

national aeronautics association as the

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00:04:38,310 --> 00:04:36,639

uh

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00:04:40,070 --> 00:04:38,320

as their their yearly winner being

152

00:04:42,230 --> 00:04:40,080

recognized for the accomplishment of

153

00:04:44,230 --> 00:04:42,240

building such a huge orbiting spacecraft

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00:04:45,749 --> 00:04:44,240

with international cooperation and and

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00:04:47,749 --> 00:04:45,759

promoting that national laboratory in

156

00:04:49,430 --> 00:04:47,759

space so a real honor for them and we're

157

00:04:50,790 --> 00:04:49,440

really proud of them to be uh be getting

158

00:04:52,550 --> 00:04:50,800

that award

159

00:04:53,749 --> 00:04:52,560

and then finally uh just to highlight

160

00:04:54,870 --> 00:04:53,759

you know you guys have been asking a lot

161

00:04:57,030 --> 00:04:54,880

of questions and everybody's been

162

00:04:59,830 --> 00:04:57,040

talking about it this is atlantis final

163

00:05:02,710 --> 00:04:59,840

planned mission um it's been a glorious

164

00:05:04,550 --> 00:05:02,720

career started back in 1985 actually

165

00:05:06,629 --> 00:05:04,560

construction started in the 80s

166

00:05:07,909 --> 00:05:06,639

and its first flight was in in 1985 so

167

00:05:10,230 --> 00:05:07,919

this will be the 32nd mission of

168

00:05:11,749 --> 00:05:10,240

atlantis and we're not taking a lot of

169

00:05:13,270 --> 00:05:11,759

time reflecting back here before launch

170

00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,280

but i'm sure once once she gets back

171

00:05:17,270 --> 00:05:15,759

we'll we'll have a few celebrations she

172

00:05:18,870 --> 00:05:17,280

is going to turn around and be processed

173

00:05:20,550 --> 00:05:18,880

for launch on need so it's not the end

174

00:05:22,150 --> 00:05:20,560

of the line atlantis is going to go back

175

00:05:23,909 --> 00:05:22,160

into the opf and start down mission

176

00:05:25,749 --> 00:05:23,919

processing and turn around in fact we

177

00:05:27,350 --> 00:05:25,759

have a full flow pulling rcc panels

178

00:05:28,629 --> 00:05:27,360

looking for corrosion doing all the

179

00:05:30,950 --> 00:05:28,639

things we would do as if we were truly

180

00:05:32,870 --> 00:05:30,960

going to launch sts 335 which is the

181

00:05:34,870 --> 00:05:32,880

rescue mission for our final shuttle

182

00:05:36,790 --> 00:05:34,880

flight sts-134

183

00:05:38,950 --> 00:05:36,800

and so it'll it'll go into the opf and

184

00:05:40,550 --> 00:05:38,960

be processed again but but uh probably

185

00:05:42,310 --> 00:05:40,560

won't see the pad again and so it's a

186

00:05:43,909 --> 00:05:42,320

bittersweet time but like i said we're

187

00:05:45,270 --> 00:05:43,919

the teams are focused on the launch here

188

00:05:47,270 --> 00:05:45,280

and we're not really looking back just

189

00:05:48,710 --> 00:05:47,280

yet we'll probably wait until we get uh

190

00:05:50,790 --> 00:05:48,720

get it safely home before we start doing

191

00:05:52,629 --> 00:05:50,800

that so that's all i had mike okay

192

00:05:54,230 --> 00:05:52,639

thanks mike well the countdown is going

193

00:05:55,430 --> 00:05:54,240

exceedingly well we're not tracking any

194

00:05:57,510 --> 00:05:55,440

issues right now at all that would

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00:05:59,990 --> 00:05:57,520

prevent an on-time lift off friday

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00:06:01,430 --> 00:06:00,000

morning as mike said team atlantis is

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00:06:03,110 --> 00:06:01,440

really hitting hitting the stride right

198

00:06:04,390 --> 00:06:03,120

now we're clicking on all all night all

199

00:06:06,870 --> 00:06:04,400

eight cylinders

200

00:06:08,710 --> 00:06:06,880

no issues at the launch pad uh just

201  
00:06:10,469 --> 00:06:08,720  
quick reminder that we do have the delta

202  
00:06:11,909 --> 00:06:10,479  
on the range on the 20th and that says

203  
00:06:13,670 --> 00:06:11,919  
we only have through and including the

204  
00:06:15,350 --> 00:06:13,680  
18th to get off the pad should we scrub

205  
00:06:17,350 --> 00:06:15,360  
for whatever reason

206  
00:06:19,909 --> 00:06:17,360  
but expect we'll be able to launch

207  
00:06:21,670 --> 00:06:19,919  
friday morning friday afternoon on time

208  
00:06:23,670 --> 00:06:21,680  
a couple milestones in the countdown

209  
00:06:25,270 --> 00:06:23,680  
coming up we start the

210  
00:06:27,270 --> 00:06:25,280  
fuel cell cryogenic loading this

211  
00:06:28,550 --> 00:06:27,280  
afternoon about noontime and the weather

212  
00:06:30,230 --> 00:06:28,560  
should be good for that you'll hear from

213  
00:06:31,590 --> 00:06:30,240

todd here momentarily

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00:06:33,749 --> 00:06:31,600

the rotating service structure

215

00:06:35,830 --> 00:06:33,759

retraction it's tomorrow evening about 5

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00:06:37,350 --> 00:06:35,840

30 and then we clear the pad and begin

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00:06:39,350 --> 00:06:37,360

loading the external tank about 5

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00:06:42,230 --> 00:06:39,360

o'clock friday morning in preparation

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00:06:43,830 --> 00:06:42,240

for launch at 2 20 friday afternoon so

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00:06:45,749 --> 00:06:43,840

again in summary everything is going

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00:06:47,029 --> 00:06:45,759

really really well in atlantis and the

222

00:06:48,790 --> 00:06:47,039

boosters in the tank and the ground

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00:06:50,629 --> 00:06:48,800

support equipment the team is in great

224

00:06:53,510 --> 00:06:50,639

spirits and we're ready to

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00:06:55,430 --> 00:06:53,520

give it our best shot friday todd

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00:06:57,270 --> 00:06:55,440

good morning overall the weather looks

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00:06:59,430 --> 00:06:57,280

favorable favorable not only for

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00:07:00,870 --> 00:06:59,440

pre-launch operations

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00:07:02,950 --> 00:07:00,880

today and tomorrow but also for the

230

00:07:04,950 --> 00:07:02,960

launch on friday if we can take a look

231

00:07:06,710 --> 00:07:04,960

at the satellite imagery you can see

232

00:07:08,710 --> 00:07:06,720

basically not very many clouds over

233

00:07:10,710 --> 00:07:08,720

florida right now and that's due to a

234

00:07:12,309 --> 00:07:10,720

very strong high pressure center that

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00:07:13,909 --> 00:07:12,319

high pressure center has been strong and

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00:07:15,990 --> 00:07:13,919

dominant over us for at least three or

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00:07:17,830 --> 00:07:16,000

four days now has been keeping all that

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00:07:19,990 --> 00:07:17,840

nasty weather all the way out around

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00:07:21,990 --> 00:07:20,000

texas up through the ohio valley region

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00:07:23,350 --> 00:07:22,000

well up to our north and west and that's

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00:07:25,589 --> 00:07:23,360

going to continue for the next several

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00:07:27,830 --> 00:07:25,599

days at least until monday so for the

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00:07:29,830 --> 00:07:27,840

next 24 to 48 hours i'm looking for

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00:07:31,670 --> 00:07:29,840

scattered skies with that high pressure

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00:07:33,350 --> 00:07:31,680

center at the surface still dominating

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00:07:35,670 --> 00:07:33,360

our weather pattern we'll see some

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00:07:38,870 --> 00:07:35,680

clouds out over the water kind of moving

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00:07:41,430 --> 00:07:38,880

onshore and for rss retract tomorrow

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00:07:42,629 --> 00:07:41,440

afternoon and tanking friday morning

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00:07:44,550 --> 00:07:42,639

looking for some of those scattered

251

00:07:46,790 --> 00:07:44,560

clouds in the low cloud low levels to

252

00:07:48,790 --> 00:07:46,800

kind of move onshore could be a spotty

253

00:07:51,029 --> 00:07:48,800

shower in the early morning hours

254

00:07:54,150 --> 00:07:51,039

along the coast very very brief as those

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00:07:56,070 --> 00:07:54,160

low strata q clouds move in but overall

256

00:07:58,790 --> 00:07:56,080

very favorable conditions for tanking an

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00:08:00,790 --> 00:07:58,800

rss retract for friday afternoon and

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00:08:02,230 --> 00:08:00,800

launch still the same type of conditions

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00:08:03,990 --> 00:08:02,240

high pressure is going to dominate our

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00:08:05,270 --> 00:08:04,000

area the high pressure center is going

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00:08:07,270 --> 00:08:05,280

to be just to our north so we're going

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00:08:09,670 --> 00:08:07,280

to see easterly winds peaking up right

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00:08:11,990 --> 00:08:09,680

around 18 knots or so well below or

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00:08:13,830 --> 00:08:12,000

below any type of launch constraints and

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00:08:15,589 --> 00:08:13,840

the only concern i do have is that we

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00:08:17,589 --> 00:08:15,599

could see some enhanced convergence in

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00:08:19,670 --> 00:08:17,599

the low levels which makes those clouds

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00:08:21,749 --> 00:08:19,680

a little bit larger in extent and that

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00:08:23,589 --> 00:08:21,759

could hamper or give us a problem with

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00:08:25,029 --> 00:08:23,599

the low cloud ceiling rule

271

00:08:26,150 --> 00:08:25,039

if those ceilings kind of move in

272

00:08:27,749 --> 00:08:26,160

they're going to be very quick moving

273

00:08:29,990 --> 00:08:27,759

they're going to move in those easter

274

00:08:32,149 --> 00:08:30,000

strong easterly winds rather rapidly so

275

00:08:34,469 --> 00:08:32,159

be very brief but overall we're looking

276  
00:08:35,990 --> 00:08:34,479  
at the probability of ksc weather

277  
00:08:38,709 --> 00:08:36,000  
prohibiting launch

278  
00:08:40,949 --> 00:08:38,719  
of 30 percent at this time

279  
00:08:43,110 --> 00:08:40,959  
as far as a 24 and 48 hour slip if we

280  
00:08:44,149 --> 00:08:43,120  
would need that opportunity weather's

281  
00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:44,159  
still going to look good the high

282  
00:08:46,870 --> 00:08:45,279  
pressure is still going to dominate

283  
00:08:48,389 --> 00:08:46,880  
florida we're still going to see those

284  
00:08:49,590 --> 00:08:48,399  
easterly winds in the low levels and

285  
00:08:51,509 --> 00:08:49,600  
we're still going to see some of those

286  
00:08:52,710 --> 00:08:51,519  
clouds move from out over the water

287  
00:08:53,990 --> 00:08:52,720  
onshore

288  
00:08:56,630 --> 00:08:54,000

we could see a little increase in the

289

00:09:00,310 --> 00:08:56,640

winds up to 20 knots on sunday and that

290

00:09:02,949 --> 00:09:00,320

could be an added increase in crosswind

291

00:09:04,310 --> 00:09:02,959

concerns so the probability of kc

292

00:09:05,829 --> 00:09:04,320

weather violating

293

00:09:07,350 --> 00:09:05,839

launch or prohibiting launch for

294

00:09:09,190 --> 00:09:07,360

saturday and sunday is also at 30

295

00:09:11,030 --> 00:09:09,200

percent due to those low cloud ceilings

296

00:09:12,230 --> 00:09:11,040

possibly moving in and on sunday the

297

00:09:14,070 --> 00:09:12,240

crosswinds

298

00:09:16,150 --> 00:09:14,080

as far as the abort landing sites here

299

00:09:19,030 --> 00:09:16,160

in the u.s the space flight meteorology

300

00:09:20,949 --> 00:09:19,040

group is forecasting great conditions

301

00:09:23,190 --> 00:09:20,959

friday saturday and sunday for both

302

00:09:25,670 --> 00:09:23,200

edwards and white sands and then as far

303

00:09:28,230 --> 00:09:25,680

as the overseas locations they are

304

00:09:30,710 --> 00:09:28,240

forecasting ceilings winds and showers

305

00:09:32,470 --> 00:09:30,720

within 20 to affect zaragoza and

306

00:09:35,110 --> 00:09:32,480

distress both monday tuesday and

307

00:09:37,030 --> 00:09:35,120

wednesday however morons looking very

308

00:09:38,870 --> 00:09:37,040

good all three days and that will be our

309

00:09:41,269 --> 00:09:38,880

one good towel site as far as weather is

310

00:09:43,509 --> 00:09:41,279

concerned for launch operations

311

00:09:45,030 --> 00:09:43,519

so overall right now we're sitting with

312

00:09:46,389 --> 00:09:45,040

high pressure over the top of us it's

313

00:09:48,470 --> 00:09:46,399

going to dominate us at least until

314

00:09:50,550 --> 00:09:48,480

monday we're going to see low clouds out

315

00:09:52,870 --> 00:09:50,560

over the water moving onshore we have a

316

00:09:54,870 --> 00:09:52,880

slight chance of some low clouds

317

00:09:55,829 --> 00:09:54,880

moving in and give us giving us a

318

00:09:58,070 --> 00:09:55,839

ceiling

319

00:10:00,949 --> 00:09:58,080

on friday saturday and sunday and

320

00:10:04,550 --> 00:10:00,959

because of that we have a 30 chance of

321

00:10:06,470 --> 00:10:04,560

ksc weather prohibiting launch kendriya

322

00:10:07,910 --> 00:10:06,480

thank you we'll now take questions when

323

00:10:09,750 --> 00:10:07,920

the microphone comes your way please

324

00:10:11,509 --> 00:10:09,760

state your name affiliation and to whom

325

00:10:13,750 --> 00:10:11,519

you're addressing your question uh start

326

00:10:15,110 --> 00:10:13,760

in the front with chris

327

00:10:17,430 --> 00:10:15,120

um chris gebhardt with nasa

328

00:10:20,069 --> 00:10:17,440

spaceflight.com uh with um

329

00:10:22,710 --> 00:10:20,079

i believe two for mike mores um the uh

330

00:10:24,790 --> 00:10:22,720

cscs timeline uh for station support for

331

00:10:26,389 --> 00:10:24,800

the 132 crew out through september how

332

00:10:28,310 --> 00:10:26,399

many day what's the limiting consumable

333

00:10:29,590 --> 00:10:28,320

and how many days do you have on that

334

00:10:32,150 --> 00:10:29,600

and to follow up

335

00:10:33,990 --> 00:10:32,160

see that for the contingencies uh safe

336

00:10:36,069 --> 00:10:34,000

haven uh consumables we have up on

337

00:10:38,389 --> 00:10:36,079

station they right now have uh food to

338

00:10:39,910 --> 00:10:38,399

support 125 days which is the duration

339

00:10:41,110 --> 00:10:39,920

that takes us to get to the the launch

340

00:10:42,949 --> 00:10:41,120

in september

341

00:10:44,870 --> 00:10:42,959

so we have that covered no problem

342

00:10:46,949 --> 00:10:44,880

the thing that that that does not assume

343

00:10:48,790 --> 00:10:46,959

is uh there are two progress resupply

344

00:10:51,110 --> 00:10:48,800

launches that occur between now and then

345

00:10:52,870 --> 00:10:51,120

and and for conservatism we as we don't

346

00:10:54,550 --> 00:10:52,880

assume that those are successful so we

347

00:10:56,710 --> 00:10:54,560

don't count those obviously we'd have

348

00:10:58,470 --> 00:10:56,720

two chances to send up uh progresses

349

00:11:00,710 --> 00:10:58,480

with with tons more supplies food

350

00:11:02,949 --> 00:11:00,720

whatever we needed so we'd have way more

351

00:11:05,590 --> 00:11:02,959

than that 125 days

352

00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:05,600

um and um in terms of the cryo load for

353

00:11:09,509 --> 00:11:07,760

atlantis fuel cells you know with with

354

00:11:11,590 --> 00:11:09,519

endeavor and discovery you get the added

355

00:11:12,949 --> 00:11:11,600

benefit of spitz up on station to draw

356

00:11:13,990 --> 00:11:12,959

power from that and with atlantis you

357

00:11:15,190 --> 00:11:14,000

don't

358

00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:15,200

i know this mission is packed to the

359

00:11:19,990 --> 00:11:17,519

gills a 12 plus zero plus two day flight

360

00:11:22,550 --> 00:11:20,000

um if you get off the ground on time

361

00:11:24,230 --> 00:11:22,560

with a full consumable load on board

362

00:11:26,710 --> 00:11:24,240

do you know how much wiggle room you

363

00:11:28,870 --> 00:11:26,720

expect to have in the cryos over that 12

364

00:11:31,590 --> 00:11:28,880

plus zero plus two day limit yeah let's

365

00:11:32,790 --> 00:11:31,600

see so we typically have about 96 hours

366

00:11:34,710 --> 00:11:32,800

of pet hold mike i don't remember the

367

00:11:35,910 --> 00:11:34,720

exact number this time so that that's

368

00:11:37,190 --> 00:11:35,920

that's the amount of time we can sit on

369

00:11:39,190 --> 00:11:37,200

the pad before we have to top off the

370

00:11:41,269 --> 00:11:39,200

tanks if we launched on time that's then

371

00:11:42,949 --> 00:11:41,279

available to use as orbit margin and it

372

00:11:44,870 --> 00:11:42,959

converts over to be

373

00:11:46,870 --> 00:11:44,880

pretty close to an extra day so it

374

00:11:48,230 --> 00:11:46,880

wouldn't take much we might actually

375

00:11:50,069 --> 00:11:48,240

already be there by the time we lift off

376

00:11:51,030 --> 00:11:50,079

to have an extra consumables day if

377

00:11:52,550 --> 00:11:51,040

needed

378

00:11:54,150 --> 00:11:52,560

no plans to use it there's nothing

379

00:11:55,750 --> 00:11:54,160

station needs to do it

380

00:11:57,110 --> 00:11:55,760

it's just it would put that plus one

381

00:11:58,949 --> 00:11:57,120

back in the bank if for some reason we

382

00:12:00,069 --> 00:11:58,959

did want to use it

383

00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:00,079

robert

384

00:12:06,150 --> 00:12:03,760

collectspace.com uh with a question for

385

00:12:09,190 --> 00:12:06,160

mike moses and mike leinbach um i don't

386

00:12:11,430 --> 00:12:09,200

know if it's normal for you you and your

387

00:12:14,069 --> 00:12:11,440

respective uh team members or colleagues

388

00:12:17,030 --> 00:12:14,079

to go out to rss but given that it is

389

00:12:19,829 --> 00:12:17,040

probably the last time that atlantis may

390

00:12:21,670 --> 00:12:19,839

sit on the pad do you plan to have

391

00:12:24,150 --> 00:12:21,680

spend some time uh

392

00:12:25,990 --> 00:12:24,160

observing the the orbiter as it's uh

393

00:12:28,870 --> 00:12:26,000

revealed for flight

394

00:12:29,829 --> 00:12:28,880

so first i'll let you know okay uh we

395

00:12:31,190 --> 00:12:29,839

have

396

00:12:32,310 --> 00:12:31,200

a couple ways to answer that question

397

00:12:34,550 --> 00:12:32,320

first of all personally i've already

398

00:12:36,710 --> 00:12:34,560

been out to the pad so i don't uh i

399

00:12:37,590 --> 00:12:36,720

don't plan to go out again plus we have

400

00:13:01,030 --> 00:12:37,600

a

401

00:13:06,470 --> 00:13:03,030

bill

402

00:13:08,790 --> 00:13:06,480

i don't know if this is a weather

403

00:13:10,629 --> 00:13:08,800

question or a mike moses question is the

404

00:13:12,550 --> 00:13:10,639

volcanic ash any issue at all if you

405

00:13:13,910 --> 00:13:12,560

guys ended up in a towel uh just we were

406

00:13:15,670 --> 00:13:13,920

talking about abort sites just then was

407

00:13:17,350 --> 00:13:15,680

just wondering yeah we've been talking

408

00:13:18,629 --> 00:13:17,360

about it um you know it i think

409

00:13:21,030 --> 00:13:18,639

currently it's causing some closures

410

00:13:22,710 --> 00:13:21,040

over in europe the projections we did

411

00:13:24,470 --> 00:13:22,720

talk to our forecasters those would be

412

00:13:25,990 --> 00:13:24,480

the guys back in houston with the space

413

00:13:27,350 --> 00:13:26,000

flight meteorology group

414

00:13:29,910 --> 00:13:27,360

they have the tools they would need to

415

00:13:31,269 --> 00:13:29,920

forecast if if we did have problems

416

00:13:32,870 --> 00:13:31,279

from an orbiter perspective it's

417

00:13:34,550 --> 00:13:32,880

probably not an impact to us since we

418

00:13:36,150 --> 00:13:34,560

come in at such high altitude

419

00:13:38,230 --> 00:13:36,160

um and and currently the ashes are

420

00:13:39,750 --> 00:13:38,240

pretty low altitude we're looking at

421

00:13:41,110 --> 00:13:39,760

what it would do to to uh the weather

422

00:13:42,790 --> 00:13:41,120

recon aircraft the search and rescue

423

00:13:45,110 --> 00:13:42,800

forces that kind of thing but but

424

00:13:46,949 --> 00:13:45,120

basically um the predictions are by

425

00:13:48,470 --> 00:13:46,959

friday it's going to not be a big threat

426

00:13:50,389 --> 00:13:48,480

to us and but we'll keep an eye on it

427

00:13:52,470 --> 00:13:50,399

we've been talking about it so but don't

428

00:13:53,990 --> 00:13:52,480

expect it to be an ops impact to us okay

429

00:13:56,310 --> 00:13:54,000

and since you went out of your way to

430

00:13:57,509 --> 00:13:56,320

talk about atlantis last flight um you

431

00:13:59,910 --> 00:13:57,519

know if you're a reporter and everybody

432

00:14:01,910 --> 00:13:59,920

talks about the last flight um and yet

433

00:14:03,430 --> 00:14:01,920

there seems to be this lingering thought

434

00:14:05,030 --> 00:14:03,440

that maybe it would actually fly one

435

00:14:06,629 --> 00:14:05,040

more time has that been ruled out at

436

00:14:08,710 --> 00:14:06,639

this point or is that still a

437

00:14:10,150 --> 00:14:08,720

theoretical possibility that

438

00:14:11,670 --> 00:14:10,160

in other words if i got to keep saying

439

00:14:13,670 --> 00:14:11,680

last planned flight or can i say it's

440

00:14:14,949 --> 00:14:13,680

the last flight it is the last planned

441

00:14:16,629 --> 00:14:14,959

flight you know we could go theoretical

442

00:14:18,949 --> 00:14:16,639

possibilities that we could we could be

443

00:14:20,629 --> 00:14:18,959

doing we could be stopping everything

444

00:14:22,870 --> 00:14:20,639

after this flight we could be flying for

445

00:14:25,030 --> 00:14:22,880

another 30 years but right no i know

446

00:14:26,069 --> 00:14:25,040

what you mean but so so we are planning

447

00:14:27,710 --> 00:14:26,079

in our current direction our current

448

00:14:30,150 --> 00:14:27,720

budget guidance is that

449

00:14:31,590 --> 00:14:30,160

sts-335 is the rescue mission and we're

450

00:14:33,189 --> 00:14:31,600

not launching it

451

00:14:35,110 --> 00:14:33,199

the possibility exists to turn that into

452

00:14:37,189 --> 00:14:35,120

an actual launch the hardware's here all

453

00:14:39,110 --> 00:14:37,199

it exists we are currently not doing

454

00:14:41,189 --> 00:14:39,120

that and so but somebody could tell us

455

00:14:42,829 --> 00:14:41,199

to but so i can't answer the question

456

00:14:45,030 --> 00:14:42,839

for you because it's not up to

457

00:14:47,910 --> 00:14:45,040

me todd

458

00:14:50,790 --> 00:14:47,920

todd halverson of florida today i have a

459

00:14:52,870 --> 00:14:50,800

couple for mike while you're not in

460

00:14:55,509 --> 00:14:52,880

the reflection mode yet i'm wondering if

461

00:14:58,710 --> 00:14:55,519

you can tell me what the mood is among

462

00:14:59,990 --> 00:14:58,720

the people who follow that 104

463

00:15:02,310 --> 00:15:00,000

tail number

464

00:15:04,550 --> 00:15:02,320

as you're approaching what could be the

465

00:15:07,110 --> 00:15:04,560

last play of atlantis

466

00:15:08,629 --> 00:15:07,120

um well you know we've contacted the

467

00:15:09,990 --> 00:15:08,639

some of the earlier flow directors for

468

00:15:12,629 --> 00:15:10,000

atlantis and see if they wanted to come

469

00:15:14,949 --> 00:15:12,639

out for the final launch that type of

470

00:15:16,389 --> 00:15:14,959

thing flow flow directors flow managers

471

00:15:18,790 --> 00:15:16,399

some of the key people along the way

472

00:15:20,470 --> 00:15:18,800

over the last 25 years that atlantis has

473

00:15:22,470 --> 00:15:20,480

been here

474

00:15:24,150 --> 00:15:22,480

as mike mentioned she started production

475

00:15:27,829 --> 00:15:24,160

30 years ago so it's been a good long

476

00:15:29,350 --> 00:15:27,839

run for atlantis um but no you know it

477

00:15:30,870 --> 00:15:29,360

it's the type of thing where where when

478

00:15:32,550 --> 00:15:30,880

you're alone and thinking about it yeah

479

00:15:35,670 --> 00:15:32,560

it kind of hits you but when you're on

480

00:15:37,269 --> 00:15:35,680

console like like me and my launch team

481

00:15:39,350 --> 00:15:37,279

we have a job to do and we're going to

482

00:15:40,790 --> 00:15:39,360

do that job i i think after launch

483

00:15:42,550 --> 00:15:40,800

they'll probably be a little a little

484

00:15:44,470 --> 00:15:42,560

tear in some people's eyes i think after

485

00:15:45,990 --> 00:15:44,480

landing there will be

486

00:15:47,350 --> 00:15:46,000

but then there'll be some celebrations

487

00:15:49,030 --> 00:15:47,360

too and that'll take care of all that

488

00:15:52,790 --> 00:15:49,040

for us

489

00:15:55,590 --> 00:15:52,800

and uh mike could you tell me how far in

490

00:15:57,189 --> 00:15:55,600

terms of processing you will be taking

491

00:15:58,790 --> 00:15:57,199

atlantis

492

00:16:00,310 --> 00:15:58,800

i know you have to prepare for that

493

00:16:01,430 --> 00:16:00,320

flight as if it's going to be a real

494

00:16:04,710 --> 00:16:01,440

flight

495

00:16:06,230 --> 00:16:04,720

but will it still be in the opf at the

496

00:16:09,430 --> 00:16:06,240

time of

497

00:16:11,749 --> 00:16:09,440

the last launch would it be in the vab

498

00:16:13,590 --> 00:16:11,759

if you slip till february would would

499

00:16:15,910 --> 00:16:13,600

you take it to the pad

500

00:16:18,150 --> 00:16:15,920

um i'm going to try to be as slippery on

501  
00:16:19,189 --> 00:16:18,160  
that answer as mike was on on his answer

502  
00:16:20,389 --> 00:16:19,199  
to bill

503  
00:16:21,910 --> 00:16:20,399  
if you could tell me one of the last

504  
00:16:23,030 --> 00:16:21,920  
launches i could tell you where atlantis

505  
00:16:24,790 --> 00:16:23,040  
is going to be

506  
00:16:27,509 --> 00:16:24,800  
right i'm not i'm not sure we're going

507  
00:16:29,509 --> 00:16:27,519  
to take it well into the processing flow

508  
00:16:31,590 --> 00:16:29,519  
because we have to and

509  
00:16:33,990 --> 00:16:31,600  
where it actually ends up when discovery

510  
00:16:35,590 --> 00:16:34,000  
launches and when endeavour launches

511  
00:16:37,430 --> 00:16:35,600  
you know we'll just have to see the the

512  
00:16:39,910 --> 00:16:37,440  
manifest is really kind of fluid right

513  
00:16:41,910 --> 00:16:39,920

now based on uh based on a lot of

514

00:16:43,350 --> 00:16:41,920

different constraints coming our way so

515

00:16:44,790 --> 00:16:43,360

we're gonna we're gonna process it we're

516

00:16:46,870 --> 00:16:44,800

gonna hit it hard and heavy when she

517

00:16:49,749 --> 00:16:46,880

comes home and and be ready for whatever

518

00:16:51,590 --> 00:16:49,759

the program tells us to do but it i if i

519

00:16:53,590 --> 00:16:51,600

had if i if we had an answer for you

520

00:16:55,509 --> 00:16:53,600

we'd tell you honestly but we we just

521

00:16:56,949 --> 00:16:55,519

don't right now yeah but about the only

522

00:16:59,430 --> 00:16:56,959

thing i could offer is from a budget

523

00:17:01,269 --> 00:16:59,440

perspective we are budgeting that we uh

524

00:17:02,550 --> 00:17:01,279

we will ship all the srb segments here

525

00:17:03,749 --> 00:17:02,560

in fact the last set are coming at the

526  
00:17:05,510 --> 00:17:03,759  
end of this month

527  
00:17:07,750 --> 00:17:05,520  
the et will be here

528  
00:17:08,870 --> 00:17:07,760  
and that we are going to stack the srbs

529  
00:17:10,949 --> 00:17:08,880  
i don't know that we'll make it to et

530  
00:17:12,789 --> 00:17:10,959  
mate but we are planning to then have

531  
00:17:14,949 --> 00:17:12,799  
the ops budget to then de-stack those

532  
00:17:16,710 --> 00:17:14,959  
srbs so we're assuming that we're going

533  
00:17:18,230 --> 00:17:16,720  
to get that far but again it's like mike

534  
00:17:19,429 --> 00:17:18,240  
said it all depends on on where the

535  
00:17:20,949 --> 00:17:19,439  
vehicles happen to be in the flow with

536  
00:17:23,110 --> 00:17:20,959  
the launch dates as to what we actually

537  
00:17:24,230 --> 00:17:23,120  
end up doing

538  
00:17:26,789 --> 00:17:24,240

marcia

539

00:17:28,630 --> 00:17:26,799

marshad associated press along that same

540

00:17:30,789 --> 00:17:28,640

theme um

541

00:17:32,789 --> 00:17:30,799

maybe both of the mikes how strong is

542

00:17:33,990 --> 00:17:32,799

the hope out there that there's going to

543

00:17:36,950 --> 00:17:34,000

be another

544

00:17:39,350 --> 00:17:36,960

flight of atlantis i mean is this

545

00:17:40,150 --> 00:17:39,360

talked about all the time on off hours

546

00:17:41,430 --> 00:17:40,160

or

547

00:17:43,669 --> 00:17:41,440

just

548

00:17:45,590 --> 00:17:43,679

how how much are the employees really

549

00:17:48,470 --> 00:17:45,600

hoping that that happens

550

00:17:50,950 --> 00:17:48,480

well my answer's cynical so you go first

551

00:17:53,190 --> 00:17:50,960

uh i'll talk about the the kfc workforce

552

00:17:55,750 --> 00:17:53,200

especially the 104 team i'm sure there's

553

00:17:57,669 --> 00:17:55,760

i know there's a lot of hope that we get

554

00:17:59,190 --> 00:17:57,679

another flight but there's also a lot of

555

00:18:01,669 --> 00:17:59,200

realism that that's not right now the

556

00:18:03,590 --> 00:18:01,679

plan and so while we can hope all we

557

00:18:05,990 --> 00:18:03,600

want we're in the processing mode for

558

00:18:07,990 --> 00:18:06,000

the for the lon only if that turns into

559

00:18:09,590 --> 00:18:08,000

real flight then so be it

560

00:18:11,669 --> 00:18:09,600

the atlantis team loves that ship and

561

00:18:13,830 --> 00:18:11,679

loves what they do so you bet they want

562

00:18:14,950 --> 00:18:13,840

to have another flight

563

00:18:15,909 --> 00:18:14,960

just don't know how it's going to turn

564

00:18:17,110 --> 00:18:15,919

out

565

00:18:18,390 --> 00:18:17,120

yeah that's all i was going to say too

566

00:18:20,549 --> 00:18:18,400

is you can't you can't blame anybody

567

00:18:21,669 --> 00:18:20,559

that works on it for hoping but from the

568

00:18:23,590 --> 00:18:21,679

just looking at all the different

569

00:18:25,830 --> 00:18:23,600

options and and how things go on the

570

00:18:27,909 --> 00:18:25,840

roller coaster just for the last year if

571

00:18:29,990 --> 00:18:27,919

not go back 30 years you just never know

572

00:18:31,590 --> 00:18:30,000

what's going to happen so so having hope

573

00:18:33,590 --> 00:18:31,600

is one thing but but

574

00:18:35,510 --> 00:18:33,600

holding on to it's a different thing so

575

00:18:37,110 --> 00:18:35,520

we just we're not really focused on that

576

00:18:38,950 --> 00:18:37,120

um and how many

577

00:18:40,789 --> 00:18:38,960

people have worked on atlanta's for this

578

00:18:43,190 --> 00:18:40,799

flow if you count everybody do you have

579

00:18:44,870 --> 00:18:43,200

any kind of estimate on numbers boy oh

580

00:18:46,390 --> 00:18:44,880

boy um

581

00:18:47,990 --> 00:18:46,400

i don't have that number off the top of

582

00:18:49,590 --> 00:18:48,000

my head um

583

00:18:50,950 --> 00:18:49,600

we can get that for you because it would

584

00:18:52,950 --> 00:18:50,960

include a heck of a lot of people it's

585

00:18:55,590 --> 00:18:52,960

not just the processing folks here

586

00:18:59,270 --> 00:18:56,950

we'd have to get that for him i'm sorry

587

00:19:01,270 --> 00:18:59,280

good to know and um i think last week

588

00:19:03,590 --> 00:19:01,280

bill gerstenmaier said that he'd like to

589

00:19:05,510 --> 00:19:03,600

know by the end of june what's going to

590

00:19:07,430 --> 00:19:05,520

happen regarding um

591

00:19:08,870 --> 00:19:07,440

atlantis and maybe an extra flight is

592

00:19:12,549 --> 00:19:08,880

that

593

00:19:14,549 --> 00:19:12,559

could you go from all sorts of point of

594

00:19:16,470 --> 00:19:14,559

views

595

00:19:18,870 --> 00:19:16,480

from a program perspective

596

00:19:21,110 --> 00:19:18,880

you know at some point the planning you

597

00:19:23,350 --> 00:19:21,120

know we need to start uh

598

00:19:24,950 --> 00:19:23,360

having a crew assigned for training to

599

00:19:27,350 --> 00:19:24,960

to switch the mission from a rescue

600

00:19:29,029 --> 00:19:27,360

mission to an actual execution so june

601  
00:19:31,510 --> 00:19:29,039  
is kind of where we're drawing our line

602  
00:19:32,950 --> 00:19:31,520  
it's it's a fairly soft line we could we

603  
00:19:34,070 --> 00:19:32,960  
could do some things to work around it

604  
00:19:35,350 --> 00:19:34,080  
depending on what content you put on

605  
00:19:37,669 --> 00:19:35,360  
that mission

606  
00:19:39,110 --> 00:19:37,679  
from a station perspective you'd need a

607  
00:19:40,390 --> 00:19:39,120  
fairly good amount of lead time to

608  
00:19:41,909 --> 00:19:40,400  
decide what hardware you were going to

609  
00:19:43,750 --> 00:19:41,919  
fly so that you make sure you procure it

610  
00:19:46,230 --> 00:19:43,760  
in time and it's it's here and processed

611  
00:19:47,990 --> 00:19:46,240  
and ready to go so june is about the

612  
00:19:49,350 --> 00:19:48,000  
time where we kind of say

613  
00:19:51,110 --> 00:19:49,360

if we're really going to do it it's time

614

00:19:52,870 --> 00:19:51,120

to go get serious we could probably go a

615

00:19:54,390 --> 00:19:52,880

little longer than that but it would be

616

00:19:55,990 --> 00:19:54,400

nice to know by then

617

00:19:57,029 --> 00:19:56,000

june also kind of lines up within about

618

00:19:57,990 --> 00:19:57,039

the same time we're going to try to

619

00:19:59,350 --> 00:19:58,000

decide

620

00:20:01,350 --> 00:19:59,360

what we're going to be doing with launch

621

00:20:03,350 --> 00:20:01,360

dates for the next two missions once we

622

00:20:05,830 --> 00:20:03,360

get the payload assessments for both the

623

00:20:08,549 --> 00:20:05,840

the pmm module that's flying on sts-133

624

00:20:10,310 --> 00:20:08,559

and the ams module flying on sts-134

625

00:20:11,669 --> 00:20:10,320

will have had a chance to get that input

626  
00:20:13,430 --> 00:20:11,679  
back from the payload teams and digest

627  
00:20:14,630 --> 00:20:13,440  
it so june also is about the same time

628  
00:20:16,630 --> 00:20:14,640  
we're going to try to nail down the rest

629  
00:20:18,149 --> 00:20:16,640  
of our manifest so i think that's why

630  
00:20:19,510 --> 00:20:18,159  
gerstumar was thrown out june i don't

631  
00:20:21,510 --> 00:20:19,520  
think there's anything magic about that

632  
00:20:24,070 --> 00:20:21,520  
date but uh yeah the sooner we know the

633  
00:20:26,549 --> 00:20:24,080  
better that's for sure

634  
00:20:28,070 --> 00:20:26,559  
ken hi thank you ken kramer for space

635  
00:20:30,710 --> 00:20:28,080  
flight magazine and the planetary

636  
00:20:32,149 --> 00:20:30,720  
society first congratulations and uh to

637  
00:20:33,350 --> 00:20:32,159  
all of your team

638  
00:20:35,350 --> 00:20:33,360

um

639

00:20:38,070 --> 00:20:35,360

what i have a few questions for you

640

00:20:40,230 --> 00:20:38,080

first um just to follow up again on the

641

00:20:42,710 --> 00:20:40,240

potential 135 have you stopped all

642

00:20:44,950 --> 00:20:42,720

planning for putting a hardware or what

643

00:20:47,110 --> 00:20:44,960

you would actually put on to that

644

00:20:49,110 --> 00:20:47,120

potential mission

645

00:20:50,789 --> 00:20:49,120

see we never we never took that much

646

00:20:51,510 --> 00:20:50,799

further than than what we would do from

647

00:20:57,350 --> 00:20:51,520

a

648

00:20:58,789 --> 00:20:57,360

design requirement document freeze point

649

00:21:00,870 --> 00:20:58,799

where we identify what goes in the

650

00:21:03,270 --> 00:21:00,880

payload bay that then kicks off a whole

651  
00:21:05,270 --> 00:21:03,280  
cycle of cargo drawings to lay out mass

652  
00:21:07,430 --> 00:21:05,280  
properties center gravities and all that

653  
00:21:09,029 --> 00:21:07,440  
stuff so we identified what that

654  
00:21:11,590 --> 00:21:09,039  
configuration would be but we haven't

655  
00:21:13,990 --> 00:21:11,600  
done anything to to procure purchase or

656  
00:21:15,430 --> 00:21:14,000  
load any of that hardware so so from

657  
00:21:16,870 --> 00:21:15,440  
that standpoint all we did was identify

658  
00:21:18,950 --> 00:21:16,880  
what potentially would fly on that

659  
00:21:21,590 --> 00:21:18,960  
mission and it was all driven not from a

660  
00:21:23,669 --> 00:21:21,600  
135 mission but a 335 you know if if we

661  
00:21:25,110 --> 00:21:23,679  
did do a crew rescue at the end of the

662  
00:21:26,710 --> 00:21:25,120  
station's lifetime

663  
00:21:28,950 --> 00:21:26,720

it was deemed to be a good idea to make

664

00:21:30,710 --> 00:21:28,960

that an mplm flight so that we could

665

00:21:32,549 --> 00:21:30,720

resupply all the things we just

666

00:21:34,789 --> 00:21:32,559

scavenged off the station to keep our

667

00:21:36,310 --> 00:21:34,799

crew safe until the next uh until the

668

00:21:37,590 --> 00:21:36,320

rescue came so you'd like to be able to

669

00:21:39,350 --> 00:21:37,600

resupply it so they don't immediately

670

00:21:41,029 --> 00:21:39,360

have to then de-orbit or demand part of

671

00:21:43,110 --> 00:21:41,039

the space station not the orbit uh but

672

00:21:44,549 --> 00:21:43,120

deal with the crew and demand some of it

673

00:21:46,789 --> 00:21:44,559

if not all of it for a while while they

674

00:21:48,630 --> 00:21:46,799

went off and resupplied so that's where

675

00:21:50,310 --> 00:21:48,640

we went with that 335 mission planning

676  
00:21:51,750 --> 00:21:50,320  
so once you had an mpIm identified in

677  
00:21:53,510 --> 00:21:51,760  
the cargo bay

678  
00:21:56,470 --> 00:21:53,520  
what you put in it whether it's food and

679  
00:21:57,990 --> 00:21:56,480  
clean socks or more food and clean socks

680  
00:21:59,590 --> 00:21:58,000  
it doesn't really matter and you buy

681  
00:22:00,710 --> 00:21:59,600  
some more time so

682  
00:22:01,669 --> 00:22:00,720  
i'm trying to answer the question

683  
00:22:02,950 --> 00:22:01,679  
without telling you that it makes it

684  
00:22:05,350 --> 00:22:02,960  
sound like we actually were planning to

685  
00:22:07,430 --> 00:22:05,360  
fly 135 if the planning was done as part

686  
00:22:09,029 --> 00:22:07,440  
of the rescue mission for 335 it just

687  
00:22:10,830 --> 00:22:09,039  
would would be kind of carried right

688  
00:22:13,270 --> 00:22:10,840

over if you turn that into a real

689

00:22:14,710 --> 00:22:13,280

mission thank you now let me follow up

690

00:22:17,270 --> 00:22:14,720

on what you said at the beginning about

691

00:22:18,870 --> 00:22:17,280

uh mid deck science i think you said you

692

00:22:20,230 --> 00:22:18,880

put some things on at the last moment i

693

00:22:22,549 --> 00:22:20,240

wonder if you could describe a little

694

00:22:24,549 --> 00:22:22,559

bit what those science experiments were

695

00:22:26,710 --> 00:22:24,559

how much was the mass and the volume

696

00:22:28,310 --> 00:22:26,720

please yeah sure you know i i had i

697

00:22:30,310 --> 00:22:28,320

started to get ready for that but uh we

698

00:22:31,830 --> 00:22:30,320

normally have a press briefing for the

699

00:22:33,190 --> 00:22:31,840

with the science team that got ended up

700

00:22:34,630 --> 00:22:33,200

scheduled out so so what they're going

701  
00:22:35,510 --> 00:22:34,640  
to do is the pao folks are going to be

702  
00:22:37,350 --> 00:22:35,520  
able to talk to you over in the new

703  
00:22:39,190 --> 00:22:37,360  
press room about the exact science off

704  
00:22:41,909 --> 00:22:39,200  
the top of my head we're flying a lot of

705  
00:22:43,750 --> 00:22:41,919  
our our pathfinder national lab vaccines

706  
00:22:46,549 --> 00:22:43,760  
uh which are basically a batch of

707  
00:22:48,549 --> 00:22:46,559  
experiments that that you take up and uh

708  
00:22:51,190 --> 00:22:48,559  
and their various uh various cultures we

709  
00:22:53,110 --> 00:22:51,200  
had been working really hard on a

710  
00:22:55,510 --> 00:22:53,120  
salmonella vaccine lately i think this

711  
00:22:58,630 --> 00:22:55,520  
time we're flying up a variation of of a

712  
00:22:59,350 --> 00:22:58,640  
staff bacteria and you basically let it

713  
00:23:00,950 --> 00:22:59,360

go

714

00:23:02,630 --> 00:23:00,960

you activate it in space you run it for

715

00:23:04,310 --> 00:23:02,640

so long and then you freeze it and you

716

00:23:06,310 --> 00:23:04,320

see how the how the cells and the

717

00:23:08,230 --> 00:23:06,320

different uh different

718

00:23:10,070 --> 00:23:08,240

treatments work and and acting and if

719

00:23:11,990 --> 00:23:10,080

zero gravity makes a difference for the

720

00:23:13,430 --> 00:23:12,000

salmonella vaccines we found great

721

00:23:15,029 --> 00:23:13,440

breakthroughs using that that technique

722

00:23:16,950 --> 00:23:15,039

so i know we're going to continue that

723

00:23:20,230 --> 00:23:16,960

with we call them the nlps the national

724

00:23:21,909 --> 00:23:20,240

lab pathfinders uh for vaccines

725

00:23:24,070 --> 00:23:21,919

there's a lot of other science that's

726  
00:23:25,110 --> 00:23:24,080  
going up a fair number of jaxa japanese

727  
00:23:26,470 --> 00:23:25,120  
payloads

728  
00:23:27,990 --> 00:23:26,480  
and i can't remember them off the top of

729  
00:23:29,830 --> 00:23:28,000  
my head and if i if i tried i'd be

730  
00:23:31,510 --> 00:23:29,840  
giving a disservice to the ones i forget

731  
00:23:33,110 --> 00:23:31,520  
so i'll let the pao folks give you a

732  
00:23:34,950 --> 00:23:33,120  
follow-up briefing to kind of fill in on

733  
00:23:36,470 --> 00:23:34,960  
the list it was about three pages long

734  
00:23:38,070 --> 00:23:36,480  
so it's a it's a healthy list of stuff

735  
00:23:39,909 --> 00:23:38,080  
we're flying

736  
00:23:41,029 --> 00:23:39,919  
and it wasn't so much last minute when i

737  
00:23:43,110 --> 00:23:41,039  
said last minute it was kind of like in

738  
00:23:44,390 --> 00:23:43,120

the last three months that we decided to

739

00:23:46,070 --> 00:23:44,400

concentrate a little more on the science

740

00:23:48,950 --> 00:23:46,080

because we we had the performance to be

741

00:23:50,549 --> 00:23:48,960

able to do that on this mission

742

00:23:52,070 --> 00:23:50,559

chris you had a follow-up

743

00:23:55,110 --> 00:23:52,080

um yeah chris got part with nasa

744

00:23:56,390 --> 00:23:55,120

spaceflight.com again um

745

00:23:58,710 --> 00:23:56,400

in terms of the launch window for

746

00:23:59,990 --> 00:23:58,720

atlanta um i i understand you know the

747

00:24:01,909 --> 00:24:00,000

the cutouts that are involved from a

748

00:24:03,830 --> 00:24:01,919

beta angle from a dual docked ops and

749

00:24:06,549 --> 00:24:03,840

from the dell 10 maybe the spacex

750

00:24:08,230 --> 00:24:06,559

vehicle that's out there but um what is

751

00:24:09,830 --> 00:24:08,240

the current window and opportunities

752

00:24:11,669 --> 00:24:09,840

that you have and are you saying that

753

00:24:13,430 --> 00:24:11,679

you wouldn't would not

754

00:24:14,870 --> 00:24:13,440

take the opportunity this slide

755

00:24:17,190 --> 00:24:14,880

opportunity you have in june from the

756

00:24:19,350 --> 00:24:17,200

science standpoint

757

00:24:21,269 --> 00:24:19,360

yeah so in this current window we can go

758

00:24:23,110 --> 00:24:21,279

through the 22nd for beta angle the

759

00:24:25,430 --> 00:24:23,120

delta on the range uh limits us to the

760

00:24:26,710 --> 00:24:25,440

18th as our last launch attempt um and

761

00:24:28,230 --> 00:24:26,720

so we'd uh

762

00:24:29,909 --> 00:24:28,240

we had every every plan to respect that

763

00:24:30,950 --> 00:24:29,919

it all depends on when we get there and

764

00:24:32,549 --> 00:24:30,960

you know

765

00:24:34,789 --> 00:24:32,559

your mileage may vary when when we get

766

00:24:36,310 --> 00:24:34,799

to actual launches um we have a window

767

00:24:38,789 --> 00:24:36,320

that opens back up in june between a

768

00:24:39,909 --> 00:24:38,799

couple of dual dock ops operations um

769

00:24:41,990 --> 00:24:39,919

and and that's when we'd be at a

770

00:24:44,390 --> 00:24:42,000

three-man crew and for science so we we

771

00:24:46,470 --> 00:24:44,400

talked about it as a as an agency uh as

772

00:24:48,870 --> 00:24:46,480

a station program shuttle program uh

773

00:24:50,470 --> 00:24:48,880

rather as a somd

774

00:24:52,390 --> 00:24:50,480

and uh and decided that that's probably

775

00:24:53,990 --> 00:24:52,400

not worth taking due to the content we'd

776

00:24:56,230 --> 00:24:54,000

have to to give up on the mission that

777

00:24:57,909 --> 00:24:56,240

we added specifically to be able to do

778

00:24:59,909 --> 00:24:57,919

this flight and we just kind of decided

779

00:25:01,510 --> 00:24:59,919

that wasn't the right thing to do

780

00:25:03,510 --> 00:25:01,520

and so from that reason

781

00:25:04,789 --> 00:25:03,520

we probably skipped past that window now

782

00:25:06,549 --> 00:25:04,799

we're not there yet we don't know why we

783

00:25:08,390 --> 00:25:06,559

got there so you can't really say for

784

00:25:09,590 --> 00:25:08,400

sure but uh the plan would be that we

785

00:25:11,750 --> 00:25:09,600

wouldn't really talk about that window

786

00:25:13,430 --> 00:25:11,760

and that puts us into i think june 29th

787

00:25:14,710 --> 00:25:13,440

would be the first time back

788

00:25:17,029 --> 00:25:14,720

would be about the time we'd come back

789

00:25:18,470 --> 00:25:17,039

but again that's a beta angle dependent

790

00:25:19,990 --> 00:25:18,480

number and it all depends on what

791

00:25:21,909 --> 00:25:20,000

happens between now and then so rough

792

00:25:23,430 --> 00:25:21,919

ball park we're looking at july if we

793

00:25:25,110 --> 00:25:23,440

wanted to stand down

794

00:25:27,029 --> 00:25:25,120

my manifest guys coached me right before

795

00:25:28,470 --> 00:25:27,039

i came in here that that and not for the

796

00:25:29,990 --> 00:25:28,480

press conference but just for my own

797

00:25:31,590 --> 00:25:30,000

thinking on console that

798

00:25:33,029 --> 00:25:31,600

don't let yourself think that you know a

799

00:25:34,950 --> 00:25:33,039

slip out of these four or five days

800

00:25:36,870 --> 00:25:34,960

suddenly you're into july emotionally

801  
00:25:38,310 --> 00:25:36,880  
that seems like a really big deal and a

802  
00:25:39,909 --> 00:25:38,320  
really big hit that we we'd be talking

803  
00:25:42,070 --> 00:25:39,919  
about a launch date in july if we don't

804  
00:25:43,430 --> 00:25:42,080  
make this one in may but from a manifest

805  
00:25:45,669 --> 00:25:43,440  
perspective and impact to the next

806  
00:25:46,950 --> 00:25:45,679  
flights there is none and so the

807  
00:25:48,950 --> 00:25:46,960  
difference between launch and now and in

808  
00:25:50,870 --> 00:25:48,960  
july programmatically is not much

809  
00:25:52,390 --> 00:25:50,880  
different and so uh it's really just

810  
00:25:53,430 --> 00:25:52,400  
like we we had a couple weeks stand down

811  
00:25:54,630 --> 00:25:53,440  
and we came back it would be a little

812  
00:25:56,710 --> 00:25:54,640  
more than that for the vehicle sitting

813  
00:25:59,350 --> 00:25:56,720

out at the pad but but other than that

814

00:26:00,149 --> 00:25:59,360

it's not a big deal to the programs

815

00:26:01,909 --> 00:26:00,159

bill

816

00:26:03,350 --> 00:26:01,919

well shoot not to talk about not making

817

00:26:05,029 --> 00:26:03,360

your window but if you don't make your

818

00:26:06,549 --> 00:26:05,039

window

819

00:26:08,549 --> 00:26:06,559

we were talking the other day about

820

00:26:10,149 --> 00:26:08,559

spacex and uh is there any issue with

821

00:26:11,909 --> 00:26:10,159

the shuttle being on the pad when a

822

00:26:13,669 --> 00:26:11,919

rocket that's never flown before takes

823

00:26:15,909 --> 00:26:13,679

off right beside it there any safety

824

00:26:17,510 --> 00:26:15,919

concerns or issues with your hardware

825

00:26:18,950 --> 00:26:17,520

let's see you know uh we had the same

826

00:26:20,549 --> 00:26:18,960

thing when one x launched and the

827

00:26:21,990 --> 00:26:20,559

shuttle was sitting on the pad or was

828

00:26:23,510 --> 00:26:22,000

going to be and we did all the right

829

00:26:26,149 --> 00:26:23,520

range safety assessments that those are

830

00:26:28,549 --> 00:26:26,159

being done again for for the falcon 9.

831

00:26:30,870 --> 00:26:28,559

um it's a little less risk to pad a than

832

00:26:32,470 --> 00:26:30,880

the uh than than pad b was with one x

833

00:26:33,990 --> 00:26:32,480

because they're a little further down

834

00:26:37,750 --> 00:26:34,000

from us but uh we are in their three

835

00:26:39,269 --> 00:26:37,760

sigma uh ellipse of of limit lines so we

836

00:26:40,950 --> 00:26:39,279

are impacted it's a pretty small risk

837

00:26:42,549 --> 00:26:40,960

we've looked at the numbers currently we

838

00:26:43,909 --> 00:26:42,559

have no plans to to do anything

839

00:26:46,470 --> 00:26:43,919

different and we'd be happy with that

840

00:26:47,750 --> 00:26:46,480

risk um as that math gets refined we'll

841

00:26:50,230 --> 00:26:47,760

keep an eye on it and make sure nothing

842

00:26:53,029 --> 00:26:50,240

changes but but no we don't have any any

843

00:26:54,789 --> 00:26:53,039

worries there chris

844

00:26:57,190 --> 00:26:54,799

one one more quick one about the window

845

00:26:59,029 --> 00:26:57,200

um you mentioned um you mentioned july

846

00:27:00,710 --> 00:26:59,039

if you missed this window completely

847

00:27:02,630 --> 00:27:00,720

into june july would be the next one but

848

00:27:04,149 --> 00:27:02,640

some just clicked on my mind that

849

00:27:07,190 --> 00:27:04,159

aren't all the russian docking ports

850

00:27:08,630 --> 00:27:07,200

where you'd be birthing mrm one two full

851  
00:27:10,149 --> 00:27:08,640  
in july

852  
00:27:11,669 --> 00:27:10,159  
yeah we'd have to uh we'd have to

853  
00:27:12,950 --> 00:27:11,679  
shuffle a fair number of the russian

854  
00:27:14,710 --> 00:27:12,960  
things which is one of the other reasons

855  
00:27:16,549 --> 00:27:14,720  
why we didn't want to go in the june

856  
00:27:17,990 --> 00:27:16,559  
window the replan to make all that work

857  
00:27:19,830 --> 00:27:18,000  
needs a little bit of time to happen so

858  
00:27:21,029 --> 00:27:19,840  
yeah i don't know the specific replan

859  
00:27:23,350 --> 00:27:21,039  
that would happen on the station side it

860  
00:27:25,190 --> 00:27:23,360  
would cause a fair bit of rework but

861  
00:27:27,269 --> 00:27:25,200  
that would be the next opportunity if we

862  
00:27:30,149 --> 00:27:27,279  
could make it work from a docking

863  
00:27:32,710 --> 00:27:30,159

standpoint i think we'll go with ken and

864

00:27:35,029 --> 00:27:32,720

have this be our last question for um

865

00:27:37,110 --> 00:27:35,039

society for uh either of the mics i

866

00:27:39,190 --> 00:27:37,120

guess the question is about the uh the

867

00:27:40,470 --> 00:27:39,200

ku band antenna failure that you had on

868

00:27:42,310 --> 00:27:40,480

the last mission i wonder if you could

869

00:27:44,710 --> 00:27:42,320

talk a little bit about you know why

870

00:27:46,549 --> 00:27:44,720

that happened um was something missed

871

00:27:49,750 --> 00:27:46,559

and are there any changes you made in

872

00:27:51,669 --> 00:27:49,760

the processing or in shuttle operations

873

00:27:53,110 --> 00:27:51,679

for for this flight if it if it were to

874

00:27:55,830 --> 00:27:53,120

happen again would the astronauts be

875

00:27:57,510 --> 00:27:55,840

able to more quickly download the uh

876

00:27:59,430 --> 00:27:57,520

the video from the

877

00:28:01,110 --> 00:27:59,440

tiles so we talked that a fair bit in

878

00:28:03,029 --> 00:28:01,120

our flight readiness reviews

879

00:28:04,870 --> 00:28:03,039

the teams down here at kennedy were

880

00:28:06,470 --> 00:28:04,880

very quick to get into discovery and get

881

00:28:08,789 --> 00:28:06,480

the ku deployed out and be able to do

882

00:28:11,110 --> 00:28:08,799

some checkouts and rapidly found that

883

00:28:13,029 --> 00:28:11,120

system has a couple of boxes

884

00:28:14,549 --> 00:28:13,039

somewhere inside the avionics bays

885

00:28:15,830 --> 00:28:14,559

inside the shuttle

886

00:28:17,590 --> 00:28:15,840

down on the mid deck and some are

887

00:28:18,950 --> 00:28:17,600

outside as part of the ku antenna

888

00:28:21,669 --> 00:28:18,960

assembly we call those the deployed

889

00:28:24,070 --> 00:28:21,679

assembly that is outside um

890

00:28:26,230 --> 00:28:24,080

while we were in orbit with sts-131 we

891

00:28:27,909 --> 00:28:26,240

were pretty sure this failure was in a

892

00:28:29,669 --> 00:28:27,919

component called the exciter which

893

00:28:32,389 --> 00:28:29,679

basically adds the the signal into the

894

00:28:33,990 --> 00:28:32,399

ku system um and uh and it was either

895

00:28:36,149 --> 00:28:34,000

not receiving a signal from the boxes

896

00:28:37,990 --> 00:28:36,159

inside the shuttle or it itself outside

897

00:28:39,269 --> 00:28:38,000

had failed we were pretty sure it was

898

00:28:41,350 --> 00:28:39,279

the the outside thing because we've

899

00:28:44,230 --> 00:28:41,360

never seen any of the boxes inside fail

900

00:28:46,070 --> 00:28:44,240

before and on sts 92 we had had a ku

901  
00:28:47,909 --> 00:28:46,080  
failure that was due to a an exciter

902  
00:28:50,149 --> 00:28:47,919  
failure in the deployed assembly so we

903  
00:28:51,590 --> 00:28:50,159  
kind of had a failure at least that said

904  
00:28:52,630 --> 00:28:51,600  
that maybe that's what we got going on

905  
00:28:53,990 --> 00:28:52,640  
again here

906  
00:28:55,269 --> 00:28:54,000  
long story to say that the kennedy guys

907  
00:28:57,269 --> 00:28:55,279  
got in there very quickly and were able

908  
00:28:59,190 --> 00:28:57,279  
to test right away that the the outputs

909  
00:29:01,110 --> 00:28:59,200  
of those boxes inside were fine and that

910  
00:29:03,590 --> 00:29:01,120  
the failure was in fact uh in that

911  
00:29:07,350 --> 00:29:03,600  
exciter in the deployed assembly so it

912  
00:29:10,070 --> 00:29:07,360  
was a transistor and uh and and they uh

913  
00:29:11,750 --> 00:29:10,080

they sent me an 8 meg file complete with

914

00:29:13,590 --> 00:29:11,760

detailed scanning electron microscope

915

00:29:15,830 --> 00:29:13,600

images where they cut the transistor in

916

00:29:17,750 --> 00:29:15,840

into many pieces and found that that two

917

00:29:19,269 --> 00:29:17,760

of the legs uh had come off one of the

918

00:29:20,470 --> 00:29:19,279

solder joints broke and when it popped

919

00:29:22,070 --> 00:29:20,480

off it probably cracked one of the other

920

00:29:24,070 --> 00:29:22,080

ones and it was probably just an

921

00:29:25,830 --> 00:29:24,080

original manufacturer that just had at

922

00:29:27,750 --> 00:29:25,840

the minimum margin on that on that

923

00:29:29,269 --> 00:29:27,760

component and and over time it just

924

00:29:31,669 --> 00:29:29,279

broke um so it doesn't look like

925

00:29:33,029 --> 00:29:31,679

anything other than than a than a single

926

00:29:34,950 --> 00:29:33,039

point kind of a light bulb failure with

927

00:29:36,549 --> 00:29:34,960

that transistor

928

00:29:37,669 --> 00:29:36,559

that said that that pretty much means we

929

00:29:39,269 --> 00:29:37,679

don't really have a good screen for

930

00:29:40,789 --> 00:29:39,279

those kind of failures we talked a lot

931

00:29:42,070 --> 00:29:40,799

even before we knew what the failure was

932

00:29:43,110 --> 00:29:42,080

what we would do different on this

933

00:29:44,950 --> 00:29:43,120

mission

934

00:29:47,350 --> 00:29:44,960

we could fly some spare boxes for those

935

00:29:49,269 --> 00:29:47,360

inside boxes uh they're rather bulky and

936

00:29:50,870 --> 00:29:49,279

hard to change out but they could

937

00:29:52,630 --> 00:29:50,880

but given the fact that we've never seen

938

00:29:54,549 --> 00:29:52,640

failures in those boxes before and now

939

00:29:56,870 --> 00:29:54,559

have yet a second confirmation that it

940

00:29:58,389 --> 00:29:56,880

was an outside box we didn't decide that

941

00:30:00,870 --> 00:29:58,399

there was enough of a buy down in risk

942

00:30:02,230 --> 00:30:00,880

to to bother flying spare boxes

943

00:30:03,510 --> 00:30:02,240

we talked about

944

00:30:05,510 --> 00:30:03,520

what we would do differently from a

945

00:30:08,310 --> 00:30:05,520

procedure standpoint mostly with regards

946

00:30:09,830 --> 00:30:08,320

to the inspection data and decided that

947

00:30:11,830 --> 00:30:09,840

the team really did come up with the

948

00:30:13,669 --> 00:30:11,840

plan in fact you know that was always

949

00:30:21,029 --> 00:30:13,679

the plan all along was if we had a ku

950

00:30:24,870 --> 00:30:22,950

risk that download ku would fail which

951  
00:30:26,710 --> 00:30:24,880  
was pretty small and the work needed to

952  
00:30:28,070 --> 00:30:26,720  
be done which was pretty big that was

953  
00:30:29,669 --> 00:30:28,080  
one of those deferred things we put the

954  
00:30:31,750 --> 00:30:29,679  
skeleton plan in place and called that

955  
00:30:33,110 --> 00:30:31,760  
good enough until we needed it and so

956  
00:30:35,269 --> 00:30:33,120  
they pulled it off the shelf on 131 and

957  
00:30:36,789 --> 00:30:35,279  
got it running right away and and got us

958  
00:30:39,110 --> 00:30:36,799  
all the data we needed we had about a

959  
00:30:41,029 --> 00:30:39,120  
24-hour delay on that initial inspection

960  
00:30:42,310 --> 00:30:41,039  
data and so that's all been polished and

961  
00:30:43,669 --> 00:30:42,320  
we asked the teams fresh off of doing

962  
00:30:45,029 --> 00:30:43,679  
that hey did you learn any lessons is

963  
00:30:46,149 --> 00:30:45,039

there anything better and they came up

964

00:30:48,230 --> 00:30:46,159

with a couple ideas there's some

965

00:30:50,549 --> 00:30:48,240

different software that if they had

966

00:30:51,909 --> 00:30:50,559

their choice they'd like to fly if you

967

00:30:55,669 --> 00:30:51,919

remember the process was the crew

968

00:30:57,350 --> 00:30:55,679

records the imagery uh on a high def

969

00:30:59,669 --> 00:30:57,360

tape and then we had to have them play

970

00:31:01,110 --> 00:30:59,679

that and convert it to an avi movie file

971

00:31:03,110 --> 00:31:01,120

transfer that file over the station and

972

00:31:05,830 --> 00:31:03,120

download it a lot of the 3d imagery is

973

00:31:07,669 --> 00:31:05,840

embedded in the uh the 3d signals

974

00:31:09,110 --> 00:31:07,679

embedded in that imagery and downlinking

975

00:31:11,029 --> 00:31:09,120

being the station assets it would get

976  
00:31:13,190 --> 00:31:11,039  
lost and compressed so we had to get it

977  
00:31:14,230 --> 00:31:13,200  
into an avi file so the new software

978  
00:31:15,350 --> 00:31:14,240  
we're not going to fly at this time but

979  
00:31:16,789 --> 00:31:15,360  
we'll have it for next time would

980  
00:31:18,310 --> 00:31:16,799  
basically make that avi file

981  
00:31:19,830 --> 00:31:18,320  
automatically as it's recording the

982  
00:31:21,669 --> 00:31:19,840  
other imagery so that's a pretty good

983  
00:31:22,789 --> 00:31:21,679  
get ahead would save the crew time if we

984  
00:31:24,230 --> 00:31:22,799  
ever got there

985  
00:31:25,509 --> 00:31:24,240  
it would save about five or six hours of

986  
00:31:27,990 --> 00:31:25,519  
the crew having to manually convert

987  
00:31:29,990 --> 00:31:28,000  
those files um other than that we didn't

988  
00:31:31,350 --> 00:31:30,000

really find any efficiencies that were

989

00:31:33,110 --> 00:31:31,360

that were really worth pursuing there

990

00:31:34,710 --> 00:31:33,120

were some pretty big drastic wins to

991

00:31:36,710 --> 00:31:34,720

completely re-architecture the way the

992

00:31:38,310 --> 00:31:36,720

station downlinks imagery uh that really

993

00:31:39,830 --> 00:31:38,320

wasn't worth doing or you could do the

994

00:31:41,590 --> 00:31:39,840

same thing rewire the shuttle to match

995

00:31:43,909 --> 00:31:41,600

the station's architecture and again

996

00:31:45,430 --> 00:31:43,919

that wasn't worth doing so we basically

997

00:31:47,669 --> 00:31:45,440

just polished our procedures and we'll

998

00:31:49,909 --> 00:31:47,679

do it again if we have to um failure

999

00:31:51,110 --> 00:31:49,919

rates on the ku were something in the uh

1000

00:31:53,350 --> 00:31:51,120

i can't even remember them so i better

1001  
00:31:54,230 --> 00:31:53,360  
not quote them um but it was pretty low

1002  
00:31:55,750 --> 00:31:54,240  
probability that we're going to have

1003  
00:31:57,750 --> 00:31:55,760  
this problem again but if it if it does

1004  
00:31:59,350 --> 00:31:57,760  
show up again we're good i think the

1005  
00:32:01,990 --> 00:31:59,360  
last part you're catching quinn yeah

1006  
00:32:03,350 --> 00:32:02,000  
question ken and i'm bearing in data was

1007  
00:32:04,789 --> 00:32:03,360  
did we screen anything differently and

1008  
00:32:05,990 --> 00:32:04,799  
we ran all the standard pre-flight tests

1009  
00:32:07,750 --> 00:32:06,000  
like i said it was kind of a light bulb

1010  
00:32:10,230 --> 00:32:07,760  
failure so there really wasn't anything

1011  
00:32:12,549 --> 00:32:10,240  
else to check extra on on atlantis

1012  
00:32:13,830 --> 00:32:12,559  
before it flew

1013  
00:32:18,070 --> 00:32:13,840

you could tell i had a several day

1014

00:32:22,630 --> 00:32:20,710

well that will conclude the sts-132

1015

00:32:24,789 --> 00:32:22,640

pre-launch news conference please join

1016

00:32:26,710 --> 00:32:24,799

us here on nasa television tomorrow at

1017

00:32:28,710 --> 00:32:26,720

10 a.m eastern for the I minus one

1018

00:32:31,029 --> 00:32:28,720

countdown status briefing for more