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“Here’s some of the stories trending This Week at NASA!”

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NASA’s Terry Virts and Expedition 42/43 crewmates, Anton Shkaplerov of the Russian

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Federal Space Agency and the European Space Agency’s Samantha Cristoforetti, launched

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Nov. 23 at 4:01 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, from Baikonur, Kazakhstan.

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Almost six hours later, their Soyuz spacecraft docked to the International Space Station

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– where they joined Expedition 42 Commander Barry Wilmore of NASA, and Flight Engineers

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Alexander Samokutyaev and Elena Serova of Roscosmos – returning the station crew to

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its full complement of six people.

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On Nov. 24 ground controllers uploaded instructions for the station’s recently installed 3-D

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printer to make the first 3-D printed part in space -- a spare faceplate for the printer

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itself.

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The 3-D printer uses a process formally known as additive manufacturing to heat a plastic

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filament and extrude it one layer at a time to build parts.

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The device is part of the station's 3-D Printing in Zero-G Technology Demonstration,

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which aims to show the printer can be used to make parts and tools on long duration spaceflights.

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Following completion of the recent Flight Readiness Review, NASA has the "go" to

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proceed toward the December 4 first flight test of the Orion spacecraft from Cape Canaveral

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Air Force Station.

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The FRR is a rigorous assessment of the spacecraft and the mission operations and support functions

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needed to successfully complete the flight.

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The two-orbit, 4.5 hour test of the uninhabited Orion will evaluate many of the systems critical

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to safety before the capsule begins carrying
crews to new destinations in the solar system,

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including an asteroid and on the journey to
Mars.

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NASA has approved 5 new airborne Earth science
missions to begin in 2015.

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The new campaigns will cover a wide range
of research, including the long-range transport

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of air pollution across the Pacific, the impact
of tiny airborne particles from living organisms

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on ocean ecosystems, identifying the amount
and sources of regional carbon dioxide and

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other greenhouse gases and other investigations.

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NASA's host of Earth Science missions are
designed to help answer some of the critical

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challenges facing our planet today and in
the future.

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"This is smoked turkey.

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So I'm going to have some smoked turkey."

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Space station Commander Barry Wilmore, recently talked about his Thanksgiving Day menu and

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how thankful he is for the opportunity to work on the important research conducted aboard

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the station.

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"So with that, I say to all of you there, Happy Thanksgiving, may it be a blessed day

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for every one of you.

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Don't eat too much!"

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And that's what's up this week @NASA ...

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