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Building the international effort to go forward
to the Moon and Mars ...

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Selecting new Sun missions and potential new
small sats ...

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And dropping a plane to study safety ...

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... a few of the stories to tell you about

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This Week at NASA!

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Our Administrator, Jim Bridenstine, was at
the Paris Air Show this week, meeting with

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leaders from international space agencies
to discuss our plans to put the first woman

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and the next man on the Moon by 2024 with
our Artemis program.

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He also spoke with media and other groups,
and met world leaders, including French President

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Emmanuel Macron and Italian Prime Minister
Giuseppe Conte (ju-ZEP-eh CONE-teh).

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Our Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter has now been exploring the Moon for 10 years, and continues

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to collect vast amounts of data vital to our understanding of the lunar landscape and environment,

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our solar system, and to our future exploration goals for the Moon and Mars.

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LRO's research is paving the way forward for a human return to the Moon with Artemis.

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NASA has selected three finalists among a dozen concepts for future small satellites

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mission.

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The finalists include Janus, a mission to study two asteroid systems ... EscaPADE, twin

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spacecraft to study the effects of energetic particles around Mars ... and Lunar Trailblazer,

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an orbiter to study water on the Moon.

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At least one of these missions is expected to move to final selection and flight.

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We've selected two new missions to advance our understanding of the Sun and its dynamic

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effects on space.

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The PUNCH mission will study the Sun's outer atmosphere, the corona, and how it generates

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the solar wind.

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The TRACERS mission will study Earth's response to the sun by observing the magnetic field

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around the North Pole

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Our new free-flying robot known as Astrobees has taken its first steps to autonomous flight

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aboard the International Space Station.

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Canadian astronaut David Saint-Jacques tested the Astrobees robot known as "Bumble" for

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its sighting and motion abilities aboard the orbital lab.

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Bumble and the other robots, "Honey" and "Queen" may someday support routine maintenance

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tasks and lab monitoring.

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Our NASA Langley Research Center in Virginia
crash-tested a Fokker F-28 airplane for the

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Federal Aviation Administration.

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It's the largest aircraft ever dropped at
the center's Landing and Impact Research

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Facility.

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The test used crash-test dummies to measure
crash response and likelihood of injury, generating

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data that can be used in computer simulations
to improve future airline safety.

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That's what's up this week @NASA ...