

 NASA LIVE



DART

IMPACT

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00:00:16,680 --> 00:00:00,950
[Music]

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00:00:44,950 --> 00:00:16,690
[Applause]

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00:01:20,950 --> 00:00:44,960
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00:01:26,210 --> 00:01:24,530
live from Laurel Maryland this is NASA's

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00:01:28,850 --> 00:01:26,220
coverage of the double asteroid

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00:01:31,609 --> 00:01:28,860
redirection test planned impact with

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00:01:34,550 --> 00:01:31,619
asteroid dimorphos

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00:01:38,090 --> 00:01:34,560
in a Galaxy where asteroids have humbled

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00:01:40,030 --> 00:01:38,100
planets for billions of years now one

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00:01:42,830 --> 00:01:40,040
planet strikes back

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00:01:45,050 --> 00:01:42,840
for the first time in our planet's

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00:01:47,149 --> 00:01:45,060
history NASA will test an asteroid

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00:01:50,270 --> 00:01:47,159

deflection technique

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00:01:52,910 --> 00:01:50,280

it's the first planetary defense method

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00:01:55,670 --> 00:01:52,920

of its kind

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00:01:58,190 --> 00:01:55,680

NASA's double asteroid redirection test

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00:02:03,410 --> 00:01:58,200

will intentionally Ram itself into an

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00:02:08,630 --> 00:02:05,870

at the crossroads of Science Fiction and

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00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:08,640

reality Dart is part of our plan to

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00:02:12,770 --> 00:02:10,800

defend planet Earth against potential

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00:02:15,350 --> 00:02:12,780

future impacts

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00:02:26,690 --> 00:02:15,360

the test to protect the future of our

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00:02:31,010 --> 00:02:28,850

welcome and thank you for joining us

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00:02:33,229 --> 00:02:31,020

from Johns Hopkins Applied Physics

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00:02:36,350 --> 00:02:33,239

laboratory home to the dart Mission

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00:02:38,690 --> 00:02:36,360
operations center I'm your host Tahira

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00:02:40,670 --> 00:02:38,700
Allen with NASA Communications and

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00:02:43,309 --> 00:02:40,680
tonight we're following the real-time

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00:02:45,170 --> 00:02:43,319
journey of the dart spacecraft and its

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00:02:47,630 --> 00:02:45,180
planned collision with asteroid

31
00:02:50,570 --> 00:02:47,640
dimorphos the double asteroid

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00:02:53,150 --> 00:02:50,580
redirection test also known as Dart is

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00:02:56,869 --> 00:02:53,160
the world's first planetary defense test

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00:02:58,610 --> 00:02:56,879
mission of its kind at 7 14 PM Eastern

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00:03:01,190 --> 00:02:58,620
it will demonstrate an asteroid

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00:03:04,550 --> 00:03:01,200
deflection technique known as kinetic

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00:03:07,490 --> 00:03:04,560
impact rest assured this is only a test

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00:03:10,070 --> 00:03:07,500

the asteroid Dart intends to impact is

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00:03:13,430 --> 00:03:10,080

not a threat to earth now nor will it be

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00:03:15,530 --> 00:03:13,440

after the Collision we have live views

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00:03:17,509 --> 00:03:15,540

of the action from space so keep an eye

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00:03:19,850 --> 00:03:17,519

on the dart cam in the lower left hand

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00:03:22,009 --> 00:03:19,860

corner of your screen right now you're

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00:03:24,830 --> 00:03:22,019

only seeing a black screen with a single

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00:03:27,589 --> 00:03:24,840

point of light that point contains two

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00:03:29,809 --> 00:03:27,599

asteroids in it didimos with a smaller

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00:03:32,270 --> 00:03:29,819

asteroid named dimorphos orbiting around

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00:03:34,190 --> 00:03:32,280

it as long as we continue to receive

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00:03:36,589 --> 00:03:34,200

these live views from Dart we're going

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00:03:38,809 --> 00:03:36,599

to keep that feed up on your screen as

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00:03:41,149 --> 00:03:38,819
we get closer to impact the asteroid

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00:03:43,690 --> 00:03:41,159
will begin to take shape and eventually

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00:03:46,009 --> 00:03:43,700
dimorphos will fill your entire screen

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00:03:48,170 --> 00:03:46,019
you'll also notice a countdown clock

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00:03:50,270 --> 00:03:48,180
indicating how close we are to impact

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00:03:52,550 --> 00:03:50,280
and a progress bar that will check off

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00:03:54,949 --> 00:03:52,560
key Milestones along the way

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00:03:57,410 --> 00:03:54,959
now as we follow pre-impact operations

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00:03:59,690 --> 00:03:57,420
we invite you to join us as we check in

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00:04:02,509 --> 00:03:59,700
with mission control for live updates

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00:04:04,670 --> 00:04:02,519
and track dart's final Milestones we'll

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00:04:07,309 --> 00:04:04,680
see two astronauts demonstrate what

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00:04:09,530 --> 00:04:07,319

kinetic impact looks like in space and

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00:04:11,509 --> 00:04:09,540

will go behind the scenes at one of the

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00:04:12,830 --> 00:04:11,519

observatory's following dart's impact

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00:04:14,869 --> 00:04:12,840

from Earth

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00:04:16,969 --> 00:04:14,879

you can participate in today's show

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00:04:19,789 --> 00:04:16,979

tonight by submitting questions for our

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00:04:21,530 --> 00:04:19,799

experts to answer live on air drop them

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00:04:24,590 --> 00:04:21,540

into the stream wherever you're watching

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00:04:27,110 --> 00:04:24,600

or use the hashtag planetarydefender on

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00:04:30,590 --> 00:04:27,120

social media now we're a little over 70

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00:04:32,810 --> 00:04:30,600

minutes out from Impact at 7 14 PM let's

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00:04:34,310 --> 00:04:32,820

now meet your co-host Samson Rainey

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00:04:37,189 --> 00:04:34,320

joining us live from the mission

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00:04:39,350 --> 00:04:37,199

operations center Samson it's good to

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00:04:41,749 --> 00:04:39,360

see you how does it feel to be in the

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00:04:44,210 --> 00:04:41,759

middle of the action tonight hey Tahira

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00:04:46,310 --> 00:04:44,220

I am feeling great it is awesome to be

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00:04:48,830 --> 00:04:46,320

backer after co-hosting darts launched

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00:04:51,110 --> 00:04:48,840

just tens short months ago how's the

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00:04:52,430 --> 00:04:51,120

energy over there wow that's amazing

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00:04:54,409 --> 00:04:52,440

Samson you know everybody's super

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00:04:56,090 --> 00:04:54,419

excited I've been talking to some

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00:04:58,670 --> 00:04:56,100

scientists and Engineers before the show

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00:05:01,129 --> 00:04:58,680

and it's really just anticipation about

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00:05:02,930 --> 00:05:01,139

what's going to happen tonight so with

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00:05:04,550 --> 00:05:02,940

that could you give us an update on how

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00:05:06,350 --> 00:05:04,560

things are going with Mission operations

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00:05:08,510 --> 00:05:06,360

I'm glad you're enjoying it there this

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00:05:10,909 --> 00:05:08,520

is going to be fun so I mentioned launch

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00:05:12,909 --> 00:05:10,919

right it was a huge event NASA launches

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00:05:15,409 --> 00:05:12,919

have become a staple of life for space

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00:05:17,210 --> 00:05:15,419

aficionados but there's never been

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00:05:19,370 --> 00:05:17,220

anything like what we're about to see

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00:05:22,189 --> 00:05:19,380

tonight an attempt to impact an asteroid

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00:05:23,810 --> 00:05:22,199

in near real time be first attempt to

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00:05:27,469 --> 00:05:23,820

change the motion of a Celestial body

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00:05:29,029 --> 00:05:27,479

just wow if we hit that asteroid to Hero

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00:05:31,070 --> 00:05:29,039

I think we're going to see a whole new

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00:05:33,350 --> 00:05:31,080
side of this team that we've never seen

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00:05:35,029 --> 00:05:33,360
before because let me tell you since

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00:05:37,310 --> 00:05:35,039
launch these engineers and scientists

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00:05:39,590 --> 00:05:37,320
have been eating sleeping and breathing

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00:05:41,390 --> 00:05:39,600
this Mission this Center has been like a

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00:05:43,430 --> 00:05:41,400
second home for them as they've been

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00:05:45,350 --> 00:05:43,440
monitoring the spacecraft's health and

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00:05:47,270 --> 00:05:45,360
managing everything from propulsion to

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00:05:50,450 --> 00:05:47,280
the power supply guidance and navigation

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00:05:52,370 --> 00:05:50,460
the list goes on and on they've run

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00:05:54,650 --> 00:05:52,380
countless simulations and have rehearsed

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00:05:56,870 --> 00:05:54,660
for this moment time and time again

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00:05:59,810 --> 00:05:56,880

preparing for anything and I mean

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00:06:01,969 --> 00:05:59,820

anything that could possibly happen a

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00:06:04,430 --> 00:06:01,979

quick recap of the last 24 hours no

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00:06:05,990 --> 00:06:04,440

surprise here they've been busy last

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00:06:07,850 --> 00:06:06,000

night they performed the sixth and last

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00:06:10,670 --> 00:06:07,860

of what are called trajectory correction

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00:06:12,890 --> 00:06:10,680

Maneuvers to aim darts within 200 meters

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00:06:14,330 --> 00:06:12,900

of didimos then they work straight

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00:06:16,670 --> 00:06:14,340

through to this morning to make sure

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00:06:18,770 --> 00:06:16,680

that all went smoothly then they

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00:06:21,050 --> 00:06:18,780

soldiered on to get us ready for tonight

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00:06:23,270 --> 00:06:21,060

and here we are about an hour and 10

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00:06:25,189 --> 00:06:23,280

minutes from Impact and we're now in

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00:06:27,350 --> 00:06:25,199

What's called the terminal phase meaning

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00:06:29,090 --> 00:06:27,360

that smart now the autonomous navigation

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00:06:31,309 --> 00:06:29,100

system is actively guiding the

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00:06:33,950 --> 00:06:31,319

spacecraft as it was designed to do for

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00:06:35,689 --> 00:06:33,960

its final four hours I also received

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00:06:38,210 --> 00:06:35,699

word minutes ago that Dart has reached

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00:06:40,070 --> 00:06:38,220

another critical Milestone Draco the

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00:06:42,890 --> 00:06:40,080

eyes of smartnav is able to detect

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00:06:44,629 --> 00:06:42,900

dimorphos this is a major goal post I

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00:06:46,309 --> 00:06:44,639

have to remind you because up until now

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00:06:49,550 --> 00:06:46,319

Draco has only been able to detect

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00:06:51,290 --> 00:06:49,560

dynamos the much larger asteroid orbits

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00:06:53,029 --> 00:06:51,300

the next major Milestone we're waiting

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00:06:55,790 --> 00:06:53,039

for is for smart enough to be locked on

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00:06:58,010 --> 00:06:55,800

or targeting dimorphos we'll get more

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00:07:00,710 --> 00:06:58,020

into what that means later lots more to

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00:07:02,090 --> 00:07:00,720

come as we draw closer to impact back to

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00:07:05,090 --> 00:07:02,100

you Tahira

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00:07:07,430 --> 00:07:05,100

all right thank you Samson it feels good

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00:07:10,370 --> 00:07:07,440

to know that we are detecting dimorphos

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00:07:12,770 --> 00:07:10,380

now before we get any closer to impact

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00:07:13,550 --> 00:07:12,780

let's get to know our spacecraft and its

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00:07:16,129 --> 00:07:13,560

mission

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00:07:19,189 --> 00:07:16,139

after a beautiful launch from bindenburg

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00:07:23,029 --> 00:07:19,199

space force base on November 24 2021

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00:07:26,029 --> 00:07:23,039
Dart has traveled over 400 million miles

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00:07:28,010 --> 00:07:26,039
and now in just over an hour we'll

153
00:07:30,290 --> 00:07:28,020
witness the spacecraft collide with

154
00:07:32,629 --> 00:07:30,300
asteroid dimorphos in an attempt to

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00:07:34,490 --> 00:07:32,639
change its orbit forever the dart

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00:07:36,589 --> 00:07:34,500
spacecraft is about the size of a

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00:07:38,870 --> 00:07:36,599
vending machine and uses hydrazine

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00:07:41,689 --> 00:07:38,880
thrusters for propulsion and roll out

159
00:07:44,570 --> 00:07:41,699
solar arrays for power it's traveling at

160
00:07:46,790 --> 00:07:44,580
about 14 000 miles per hour and will

161
00:07:48,830 --> 00:07:46,800
complete the last four miles of its

162
00:07:50,870 --> 00:07:48,840
journey in just one second

163
00:07:53,029 --> 00:07:50,880

Dart is on a collision course with

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00:07:55,189 --> 00:07:53,039

asteroid dimorphos which is about the

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00:07:57,650 --> 00:07:55,199

height of the Washington Monument and

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00:07:58,370 --> 00:07:57,660

more importantly poses no threat to

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00:08:00,890 --> 00:07:58,380

Earth

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00:08:02,570 --> 00:08:00,900

dimorphos sits within a double asteroid

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00:08:04,790 --> 00:08:02,580

system and as the smaller moonlit

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00:08:07,969 --> 00:08:04,800

asteroid orbiting its larger companion

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00:08:10,129 --> 00:08:07,979

didimos Dart has just one instrument on

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00:08:11,870 --> 00:08:10,139

board and that's a draco camera which is

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00:08:14,629 --> 00:08:11,880

feeding images to its autonomous

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00:08:16,189 --> 00:08:14,639

navigation system steering it straight

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00:08:19,010 --> 00:08:16,199

into the asteroid

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00:08:21,350 --> 00:08:19,020

Now teams from around the world have

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00:08:23,749 --> 00:08:21,360

worked hard to get us to this moment

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00:08:26,510 --> 00:08:23,759

Samson is standing by with NASA's head

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00:08:29,210 --> 00:08:26,520

of Science and Johns Hopkins apl's head

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00:08:31,249 --> 00:08:29,220

of space exploration let's check in to

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00:08:33,469 --> 00:08:31,259

hear more about the journey

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00:08:35,089 --> 00:08:33,479

thanks to Hera to help give us some

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00:08:37,250 --> 00:08:35,099

insight into what it takes to imagine

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00:08:39,589 --> 00:08:37,260

much less attempt a mission this

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00:08:41,389 --> 00:08:39,599

ambitious add with me Thomas rhuben

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00:08:43,610 --> 00:08:41,399

associate administrator for NASA science

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00:08:45,530 --> 00:08:43,620

Mission directorate and Bobby Brown's

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00:08:47,630 --> 00:08:45,540

space exploration sector head at Johns

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00:08:49,490 --> 00:08:47,640

Hopkins ETL gentlemen thanks so much for

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00:08:50,990 --> 00:08:49,500

being here thank you Thomas I'll start

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00:08:52,610 --> 00:08:51,000

with you the mission this team has been

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00:08:54,230 --> 00:08:52,620

through an intense Journey years in the

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00:08:57,230 --> 00:08:54,240

making and they're now on the cusp of

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00:08:59,389 --> 00:08:57,240

doing a seemingly impossible

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00:09:01,430 --> 00:08:59,399

um impacting a tiny asteroid 7 million

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00:09:04,970 --> 00:09:01,440

miles away from Earth with a spacecraft

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00:09:06,290 --> 00:09:04,980

traveling 14 000 miles per hour why is

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it important for us to continue to push

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the boundaries up as possible in space

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00:09:13,190 --> 00:09:10,560

you know what I always think is the

201
00:09:16,310 --> 00:09:13,200
world is made out of a box those are

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00:09:18,470 --> 00:09:16,320
things we know we can use and a large

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00:09:20,389 --> 00:09:18,480
space of things that are unknown in that

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00:09:23,210 --> 00:09:20,399
large space are solutions for problems

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00:09:25,730 --> 00:09:23,220
of the future there's new research new

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00:09:27,650 --> 00:09:25,740
understanding of Nature and we at Nasa

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00:09:29,570 --> 00:09:27,660
were all about moving that boundary back

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00:09:32,090 --> 00:09:29,580
moving it back to make more things

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00:09:34,009 --> 00:09:32,100
useful for us like Dart but also

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00:09:36,710 --> 00:09:34,019
understanding nature in a new fashion

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00:09:38,810 --> 00:09:36,720
it's incredible Thomas well based on

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00:09:41,150 --> 00:09:38,820
what we know tonight heading into this

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00:09:43,190 --> 00:09:41,160

Main Event you know what uh what are you

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00:09:44,870 --> 00:09:43,200

thinking about our chances of impact wow

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00:09:46,250 --> 00:09:44,880

I'm betting on the team betting on the

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00:09:47,810 --> 00:09:46,260

team is always the right thing to do

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00:09:49,910 --> 00:09:47,820

when it comes to NASA missions whether

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00:09:51,769 --> 00:09:49,920

it's this one or other teams we've had

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00:09:53,810 --> 00:09:51,779

the thing you just announced you know

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00:09:56,449 --> 00:09:53,820

that kind of seeing that little bump

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00:09:59,090 --> 00:09:56,459

there in uh in the image of that new

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00:10:01,250 --> 00:09:59,100

kind of celestial body we knew was there

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00:10:02,870 --> 00:10:01,260

but now we've uh have it on the camera

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00:10:04,610 --> 00:10:02,880

it's just uh just a step in that

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00:10:06,350 --> 00:10:04,620

direction I'm very optimistic that's

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00:10:08,150 --> 00:10:06,360

awesome what the team has planned for

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00:10:10,430 --> 00:10:08,160

months years ago is coming to fruition

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00:10:12,590 --> 00:10:10,440

and we're watching it live absolutely

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00:10:14,630 --> 00:10:12,600

just exciting awesome thank you Thomas

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00:10:16,670 --> 00:10:14,640

Bobby you've been through so many White

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00:10:18,889 --> 00:10:16,680

Knuckle experiences

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um with space missions most recently

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00:10:23,509 --> 00:10:20,279

with the landing of the Mars

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perseverance Rover just last year

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00:10:28,130 --> 00:10:26,040

um what is the mindset of the team

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00:10:30,470 --> 00:10:28,140

coming to such a major moment in their

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00:10:32,870 --> 00:10:30,480

career with the stakes being so high

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00:10:35,150 --> 00:10:32,880

well teams like this prepare for the

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worst but celebrate the best and I think

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00:10:38,750 --> 00:10:36,360

we're going to have one of those best

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nights tonight there are of course many

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things that could go wrong in space

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flight but so far this team's been on

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00:10:45,590 --> 00:10:44,040

top of every possible problem they've

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00:10:48,170 --> 00:10:45,600

been ahead of it and they just need to

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00:10:49,910 --> 00:10:48,180

focus and and push through and go for

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00:10:51,410 --> 00:10:49,920

success that's awesome I think from what

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00:10:53,210 --> 00:10:51,420

we're hearing the cheers coming out of

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00:10:54,769 --> 00:10:53,220

the mock on the for this broadcast I

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00:10:58,730 --> 00:10:54,779

feel like we're on the right track oh

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00:11:00,290 --> 00:10:58,740

yeah absolutely any pep talk or advice

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00:11:01,970 --> 00:11:00,300

for the team heading into tonight that

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00:11:03,470 --> 00:11:01,980

you gave them well I've been in the mock

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several times today talking with the

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00:11:08,329 --> 00:11:06,000

team they're calm they're cool they're

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00:11:10,250 --> 00:11:08,339

collected I basically told them just

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00:11:12,230 --> 00:11:10,260

follow the Data Trust in each other

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00:11:14,810 --> 00:11:12,240

trust in themselves you know they've

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00:11:16,310 --> 00:11:14,820

prepared for this moment for years and

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00:11:18,110 --> 00:11:16,320

so they know this better than anybody

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00:11:20,030 --> 00:11:18,120

and as a team they're going to get

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00:11:21,889 --> 00:11:20,040

through this successfully so awesome

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00:11:24,590 --> 00:11:21,899

thank you both that's great words of

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00:11:26,449 --> 00:11:24,600

wisdom for moving forward in space and

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00:11:27,590 --> 00:11:26,459

seems like the team is in good hands

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with themselves

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00:11:30,889 --> 00:11:29,220

all right Tahira we're attempting the

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once Unthinkable but the team has

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00:11:34,790 --> 00:11:33,180

prepared for this moment now to keep a

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steady course on this last mission

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00:11:40,790 --> 00:11:38,459

defining leg back to you

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all right thanks Samson I mean it is

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00:11:45,769 --> 00:11:43,019

incredible what the teams are pulling

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00:11:48,769 --> 00:11:45,779

off tonight this is a first of its kind

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00:11:51,530 --> 00:11:48,779

Mission testing a way to one day save

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00:11:53,389 --> 00:11:51,540
our planet from a hazardous asteroid now

277
00:11:55,310 --> 00:11:53,399
we asked astronauts aboard the

278
00:11:57,949 --> 00:11:55,320
International Space Station to show us

279
00:12:00,949 --> 00:11:57,959
how this technique Works in microgravity

280
00:12:03,350 --> 00:12:00,959
and they had some fun with it now before

281
00:12:05,329 --> 00:12:03,360
we get to the video I urge you to keep a

282
00:12:07,130 --> 00:12:05,339
close eye on Shane he's going to be in

283
00:12:10,069 --> 00:12:07,140
the blue shirt and standing in for

284
00:12:12,230 --> 00:12:10,079
asteroid dimorphos a white object is

285
00:12:14,509 --> 00:12:12,240
about to come crashing into him that's

286
00:12:17,210 --> 00:12:14,519
our spacecraft you'll notice how the

287
00:12:20,090 --> 00:12:17,220
impact of the crash moves Shane's

288
00:12:22,310 --> 00:12:20,100

position in space this demo much like

289

00:12:25,009 --> 00:12:22,320

dart's test relies on the energy

290

00:12:27,650 --> 00:12:25,019

transfer from a collision to change the

291

00:12:30,230 --> 00:12:27,660

motion of an object the method which is

292

00:12:33,110 --> 00:12:30,240

called kinetics impact deflection is the

293

00:12:36,050 --> 00:12:33,120

technique Dart will test at 7 14 PM

294

00:12:38,740 --> 00:12:36,060

Eastern let's take a look

295

00:12:42,430 --> 00:12:38,750

foreign

296

00:12:47,210 --> 00:12:44,690

and I'm going to be the NASA dark

297

00:12:49,550 --> 00:12:47,220

Mission while this CTV more exactly is

298

00:12:51,590 --> 00:12:49,560

going to be a spacecraft I'm going to

299

00:12:54,350 --> 00:12:51,600

try to throw it and we look at the

300

00:12:57,889 --> 00:12:54,360

effect of that mask coming at him and

301
00:13:00,410 --> 00:12:57,899
the kinetic energy transfer from the CTB

302
00:13:02,590 --> 00:13:00,420
to Shane to Shane will be perfectly

303
00:13:05,750 --> 00:13:02,600
stable

304
00:13:08,140 --> 00:13:05,760
it's not an easy test you ready

305
00:13:17,090 --> 00:13:08,150
all right here it comes

306
00:13:25,009 --> 00:13:21,069
I've redirected Shane successfully

307
00:13:30,290 --> 00:13:28,190
all right now back on Earth we're taking

308
00:13:32,650 --> 00:13:30,300
your questions live in just a few

309
00:13:35,930 --> 00:13:32,660
minutes send them in using the hashtag

310
00:13:38,329 --> 00:13:35,940
planetarydefender and stand by it's time

311
00:13:40,550 --> 00:13:38,339
now for our first status poll update

312
00:13:42,889 --> 00:13:40,560
let's head to Samson to check in on

313
00:13:44,210 --> 00:13:42,899

dart's progress Samson how are we

314

00:13:46,370 --> 00:13:44,220

looking

315

00:13:48,530 --> 00:13:46,380

hey it's a hero we are entering the

316

00:13:50,569 --> 00:13:48,540

60-minute mark until impact and as you

317

00:13:52,129 --> 00:13:50,579

noted the team is about to conduct a

318

00:13:54,290 --> 00:13:52,139

poll which is essentially a status

319

00:13:56,569 --> 00:13:54,300

update to check that key systems are in

320

00:13:58,370 --> 00:13:56,579

working order we're talking Draco image

321

00:14:00,350 --> 00:13:58,380

quality smart nav guidance and

322

00:14:02,629 --> 00:14:00,360

navigation ground systems performance

323

00:14:05,150 --> 00:14:02,639

everything that's anything to do with

324

00:14:07,550 --> 00:14:05,160

getting us to impact

325

00:14:37,069 --> 00:14:07,560

all right I think the poll is about to

326

00:15:05,990 --> 00:14:40,430

we are waiting for that poll to begin

327

00:15:11,689 --> 00:15:09,230

waiting on that first poll of the

328

00:15:13,730 --> 00:15:11,699

evening there will be two polls when

329

00:15:29,269 --> 00:15:13,740

it's 60 minutes which is now and one at

330

00:15:34,910 --> 00:15:31,009

afterward we should be hearing from

331

00:15:37,009 --> 00:15:34,920

Elena Adams the mission systems engineer

332

00:15:49,370 --> 00:15:37,019

to give us a summary of what we'll have

333

00:15:55,070 --> 00:15:52,370

all right folks we're an hour prior to

334

00:16:01,069 --> 00:15:58,370

[Applause]

335

00:16:04,129 --> 00:16:01,079

we're seeing dimorphous so wonderful

336

00:16:05,090 --> 00:16:04,139

wonderful all right let's do our poll

337

00:16:07,970 --> 00:16:05,100

um

338

00:16:11,090 --> 00:16:07,980

image quality let's start with you

339

00:16:13,850 --> 00:16:11,100

images are looking great uh tamorphos is

340

00:16:16,370 --> 00:16:13,860

coming in at about the same relative

341

00:16:18,710 --> 00:16:16,380

dimness as didamouse

342

00:16:20,030 --> 00:16:18,720

so very consistent brightness between

343

00:16:22,790 --> 00:16:20,040

the two

344

00:16:24,000 --> 00:16:22,800

and it's a stable track

345

00:16:29,689 --> 00:16:24,010

that's awesome

346

00:16:32,389 --> 00:16:29,699

[Applause]

347

00:16:34,189 --> 00:16:32,399

all right uh smart nav

348

00:16:37,310 --> 00:16:34,199

smart nav is looking good we're sitting

349

00:16:39,889 --> 00:16:37,320

at about 30 meters of uh projected Miss

350

00:16:41,870 --> 00:16:39,899

distance there is no movement right now

351
00:16:44,629 --> 00:16:41,880
on the bars for doing a maneuver but we

352
00:16:46,069 --> 00:16:44,639
do expect that when we transition uh in

353
00:16:47,569 --> 00:16:46,079
about 10 minutes that we'll see a

354
00:16:49,249 --> 00:16:47,579
maneuver at that point

355
00:16:50,990 --> 00:16:49,259
yeah that's great and at this point

356
00:16:53,749 --> 00:16:51,000
because we have a stable track we do

357
00:16:56,110 --> 00:16:53,759
expect to transition over at that time

358
00:17:01,129 --> 00:16:56,120
so that's really good

359
00:17:07,370 --> 00:17:04,150
GNC is nominal we're we're ready to burn

360
00:17:12,829 --> 00:17:07,380
[Laughter]

361
00:17:19,010 --> 00:17:16,850
all right um let's see autonomy

362
00:17:20,990 --> 00:17:19,020
autonomy is nominal here's our cycling

363
00:17:23,169 --> 00:17:21,000

and no more fault rules

364

00:17:25,549 --> 00:17:23,179

all right DSN

365

00:17:28,610 --> 00:17:25,559

looks good and we don't see any sign of

366

00:17:31,310 --> 00:17:28,620

rain and Esa looks good as well

367

00:17:34,909 --> 00:17:31,320

that's good and then ground system

368

00:17:37,310 --> 00:17:34,919

ground system is nominal and we have a

369

00:17:38,630 --> 00:17:37,320

clear vision of dimorphous on the image

370

00:17:42,289 --> 00:17:38,640

display now

371

00:17:43,549 --> 00:17:42,299

yes it looks great thank you guys

372

00:17:46,190 --> 00:17:43,559

all right

373

00:17:47,930 --> 00:17:46,200

um one more poll after this but in the

374

00:17:50,990 --> 00:17:47,940

meantime we're going to hopefully

375

00:17:57,110 --> 00:17:51,000

transition at 50 minutes to locking so

376

00:18:02,150 --> 00:17:58,730

all right we're going to hear from Lena

377

00:18:04,190 --> 00:18:02,160

ourselves to give us a update

378

00:18:06,169 --> 00:18:04,200

hey Elena

379

00:18:08,450 --> 00:18:06,179

how's it going

380

00:18:10,970 --> 00:18:08,460

how are you good that sounded like a

381

00:18:14,690 --> 00:18:10,980

great poll any words about what we just

382

00:18:16,669 --> 00:18:14,700

heard oh um we're very excited uh we are

383

00:18:19,970 --> 00:18:16,679

starting to see dimorphous for the first

384

00:18:22,190 --> 00:18:19,980

time it is uh looking great

385

00:18:26,510 --> 00:18:22,200

um it is um just about the same dimness

386

00:18:28,130 --> 00:18:26,520

as didimos as we expected and so we are

387

00:18:30,770 --> 00:18:28,140

getting ready to transition we have a

388

00:18:34,850 --> 00:18:30,780

stable track at this point it's about

389

00:18:36,470 --> 00:18:34,860

um seven pixels in size and uh yeah

390

00:18:38,630 --> 00:18:36,480

we're ready to go

391

00:18:42,049 --> 00:18:38,640

great news Elena thanks so much I'll let

392

00:18:47,450 --> 00:18:45,289

wow that that was

393

00:18:49,490 --> 00:18:47,460

that's a great update joining me in

394

00:18:51,830 --> 00:18:49,500

reacting to that bit of news is Angela

395

00:18:53,810 --> 00:18:51,840

stickle planetary geologist and a dart

396

00:18:57,409 --> 00:18:53,820

investigation team lead

397

00:19:01,250 --> 00:18:59,390

they're going really well what are you

398

00:19:03,529 --> 00:19:01,260

feeling what are you thinking I'm so

399

00:19:05,029 --> 00:19:03,539

excited this is fantastic we can see

400

00:19:06,830 --> 00:19:05,039

dimorphos and

401
00:19:08,930 --> 00:19:06,840
we're on our way

402
00:19:11,450 --> 00:19:08,940
okay second we just gotta keep humming

403
00:19:13,789 --> 00:19:11,460
along right right that's awesome heading

404
00:19:16,010 --> 00:19:13,799
in gosh well let's quickly talk about

405
00:19:18,350 --> 00:19:16,020
the next major Milestone that's ahead of

406
00:19:20,750 --> 00:19:18,360
us Walking On Target with dimorphos

407
00:19:22,789 --> 00:19:20,760
which could happen as early as 10 or so

408
00:19:25,190 --> 00:19:22,799
minutes from now right now smart nav is

409
00:19:27,289 --> 00:19:25,200
still targeting dynamos right but

410
00:19:29,390 --> 00:19:27,299
locking onto dimorphous means all right

411
00:19:30,950 --> 00:19:29,400
dimorphous you are bright you are

412
00:19:33,770 --> 00:19:30,960
consistently bright enough and ready to

413
00:19:35,870 --> 00:19:33,780

start targeting you dive into what that

414

00:19:38,690 --> 00:19:35,880

means a little bit more yeah exactly so

415

00:19:40,669 --> 00:19:38,700

smart nav is looking for bright parts of

416

00:19:43,029 --> 00:19:40,679

the image and so as dimorphous gets

417

00:19:45,770 --> 00:19:43,039

closer and it's brighter and bigger

418

00:19:47,210 --> 00:19:45,780

smartnav will just Target onto it as

419

00:19:48,230 --> 00:19:47,220

opposed to dynamos and we'll be on our

420

00:19:51,230 --> 00:19:48,240

way

421

00:19:53,270 --> 00:19:51,240

um to impact that is awesome

422

00:19:54,590 --> 00:19:53,280

thank you Angela has very cool stuff

423

00:19:56,450 --> 00:19:54,600

good luck with the rest of the evening

424

00:19:58,549 --> 00:19:56,460

thank you great

425

00:20:00,230 --> 00:19:58,559

and while we wait we want to invite you

426

00:20:02,570 --> 00:20:00,240

to celebrate the life of an important

427

00:20:04,310 --> 00:20:02,580

member of our dart team pulling off

428

00:20:07,010 --> 00:20:04,320

extraordinary events requires

429

00:20:09,770 --> 00:20:07,020

extraordinary people and Ray Harvey was

430

00:20:12,110 --> 00:20:09,780

just that a leader an engineer a friend

431

00:20:14,630 --> 00:20:12,120

Ray devoted his life to making the

432

00:20:16,010 --> 00:20:14,640

impossible possible tonight we pay

433

00:20:19,150 --> 00:20:16,020

tribute to dart's former Mission

434

00:20:21,770 --> 00:20:19,160

operations manager

435

00:20:24,110 --> 00:20:21,780

Ray Harvey was our mission operations

436

00:20:25,549 --> 00:20:24,120

manager for Dart but I've known Rave

437

00:20:28,010 --> 00:20:25,559

since I've been at the lab which is

438

00:20:29,990 --> 00:20:28,020

about 14 years as a young engineer

439

00:20:31,789 --> 00:20:30,000

having people like Ray was actually

440

00:20:34,250 --> 00:20:31,799

extremely important because he could go

441

00:20:35,930 --> 00:20:34,260

ask for a question he would tell you a

442

00:20:38,210 --> 00:20:35,940

joke but he would also give you an

443

00:20:39,890 --> 00:20:38,220

answer so you didn't feel awkward asking

444

00:20:42,169 --> 00:20:39,900

questions you would just feel good

445

00:20:44,930 --> 00:20:42,179

coming out with more knowledge but also

446

00:20:47,510 --> 00:20:44,940

you had fun in the process

447

00:20:49,970 --> 00:20:47,520

I've known Ray probably since I started

448

00:20:52,669 --> 00:20:49,980

working here almost 25 years ago and he

449

00:20:54,049 --> 00:20:52,679

was always like a good Mentor and a

450

00:20:55,730 --> 00:20:54,059

sounding board for anything we were

451
00:20:58,010 --> 00:20:55,740
doing I think everybody learned

452
00:21:00,529 --> 00:20:58,020
something from Rey his leadership skills

453
00:21:01,970 --> 00:21:00,539
how to treat people how to work as a

454
00:21:04,909 --> 00:21:01,980
team

455
00:21:07,190 --> 00:21:04,919
Ray was a pretty amazing person even

456
00:21:08,570 --> 00:21:07,200
though he was fighting this terrible

457
00:21:12,710 --> 00:21:08,580
disease

458
00:21:15,409 --> 00:21:12,720
he made it a point to be involved in all

459
00:21:18,350 --> 00:21:15,419
the rehearsals and all the activities

460
00:21:21,529 --> 00:21:18,360
going on on Dart he led the mission

461
00:21:22,750 --> 00:21:21,539
operations team to the last few days of

462
00:21:25,730 --> 00:21:22,760
his life

463
00:21:27,590 --> 00:21:25,740

he was really hoping to make it to the

464

00:21:29,090 --> 00:21:27,600

end of this Mission he meant so much to

465

00:21:30,470 --> 00:21:29,100

this team and to getting us to this

466

00:21:33,409 --> 00:21:30,480

point

467

00:21:36,350 --> 00:21:33,419

it represents so many years of hard work

468

00:21:39,710 --> 00:21:36,360

of him and also the team but him leading

469

00:21:41,870 --> 00:21:39,720

that team and so the dart spacecraft is

470

00:21:44,870 --> 00:21:41,880

a tribute to Rey

471

00:21:46,730 --> 00:21:44,880

we are hoping that this experience it

472

00:21:47,690 --> 00:21:46,740

kind of goes out to write and to his

473

00:21:50,510 --> 00:21:47,700

family

474

00:21:59,710 --> 00:21:50,520

we will we will really miss him and we

475

00:22:05,570 --> 00:22:03,230

Ray has touched so many lives even in

476

00:22:07,370 --> 00:22:05,580

the short time that I knew him he was so

477

00:22:10,190 --> 00:22:07,380

generous with his knowledge and he made

478

00:22:12,409 --> 00:22:10,200

you feel like you belonged Ray you will

479

00:22:14,810 --> 00:22:12,419

be greatly missed this one's for you

480

00:22:16,789 --> 00:22:14,820

Tahira

481

00:22:19,490 --> 00:22:16,799

thank you Samson for that beautiful

482

00:22:21,830 --> 00:22:19,500

dedication now if you're just joining us

483

00:22:24,169 --> 00:22:21,840

we're under an hour away from the dart

484

00:22:27,110 --> 00:22:24,179

spacecraft's head-on collision with

485

00:22:29,090 --> 00:22:27,120

asteroid dimorphos dart's mission is a

486

00:22:32,090 --> 00:22:29,100

test of a planetary defense technique

487

00:22:35,149 --> 00:22:32,100

that could one day save Humanity rest

488

00:22:37,970 --> 00:22:35,159

assured the test poses no threat to

489

00:22:40,250 --> 00:22:37,980

Earth the spacecraft is almost 7 million

490

00:22:42,529 --> 00:22:40,260

miles away from us right now and you're

491

00:22:45,289 --> 00:22:42,539

watching a live stream of its approach

492

00:22:47,210 --> 00:22:45,299

to dimorphos it takes about 45 seconds

493

00:22:50,270 --> 00:22:47,220

for the images you're seeing in the dark

494

00:22:52,549 --> 00:22:50,280

cam to make their way back to Earth any

495

00:22:55,130 --> 00:22:52,559

moment now we should learn if Dart is

496

00:22:57,470 --> 00:22:55,140

ready to commit to impact while we wait

497

00:23:00,169 --> 00:22:57,480

I'm here with Andy Rifkin Dart science

498

00:23:04,010 --> 00:23:00,179

investigation lead and Mallory decoster

499

00:23:05,870 --> 00:23:04,020

Dart impact modeler Andy Mallory while

500

00:23:08,029 --> 00:23:05,880

we wait to learn if Dart is ready to

501
00:23:11,090 --> 00:23:08,039
commit to dimorphos I can't help but

502
00:23:13,190 --> 00:23:11,100
wonder why this asteroid that's a great

503
00:23:15,590 --> 00:23:13,200
question the way that the double

504
00:23:18,350 --> 00:23:15,600
asteroid redirection test was designed

505
00:23:21,110 --> 00:23:18,360
it was uh to to measure the period

506
00:23:22,370 --> 00:23:21,120
change in a binary asteroid system so we

507
00:23:24,169 --> 00:23:22,380
needed a binary asteroid so that

508
00:23:25,850 --> 00:23:24,179
eliminates some number of objects we

509
00:23:28,549 --> 00:23:25,860
needed something uh with a moon that was

510
00:23:32,330 --> 00:23:28,559
small enough that we could move it with

511
00:23:34,549 --> 00:23:32,340
a strike from a from a spacecraft

512
00:23:36,710 --> 00:23:34,559
um but not so small that we wrecked the

513
00:23:38,870 --> 00:23:36,720

uh the moon so when you kind of tick off

514

00:23:40,789 --> 00:23:38,880

all the possibilities dynamos really

515

00:23:42,830 --> 00:23:40,799

ended up as the best choice and really

516

00:23:44,930 --> 00:23:42,840

the only choice that would provide a

517

00:23:46,730 --> 00:23:44,940

mission in this time period

518

00:23:48,770 --> 00:23:46,740

see I want to go back to that you

519

00:23:51,590 --> 00:23:48,780

mentioned having a moon that we could

520

00:23:53,870 --> 00:23:51,600

push but not destroy could you now in

521

00:23:56,330 --> 00:23:53,880

pop culture a lot we see that you know

522

00:23:59,029 --> 00:23:56,340

oftentimes the idea is to just totally

523

00:24:01,610 --> 00:23:59,039

try to demolish the asteroid why have we

524

00:24:03,830 --> 00:24:01,620

chosen to not test that technique this

525

00:24:06,169 --> 00:24:03,840

time yeah the conventional wisdom for

526

00:24:09,169 --> 00:24:06,179

planetary defense is that you don't want

527

00:24:10,730 --> 00:24:09,179

to disrupt an object and blow it into a

528

00:24:12,470 --> 00:24:10,740

zillion pieces but you want to keep it

529

00:24:14,029 --> 00:24:12,480

intact and just move it all as one piece

530

00:24:15,890 --> 00:24:14,039

because if you move it all in one piece

531

00:24:17,630 --> 00:24:15,900

then you can keep track of it a lot

532

00:24:18,950 --> 00:24:17,640

easier if you blow it into a million

533

00:24:20,690 --> 00:24:18,960

pieces then some of them might still

534

00:24:23,270 --> 00:24:20,700

Earth and you don't want to miss a thing

535

00:24:25,549 --> 00:24:23,280

yeah we might have more issues then so

536

00:24:27,890 --> 00:24:25,559

we know that we have the perfect test

537

00:24:31,070 --> 00:24:27,900

subject Mallory now can you help us

538

00:24:33,049 --> 00:24:31,080

understand how if Mission success

539

00:24:35,750 --> 00:24:33,059

um dart's mission tonight can help

540

00:24:37,909 --> 00:24:35,760

improve models for mitigating hazardous

541

00:24:40,549 --> 00:24:37,919

asteroids in the future that's exactly

542

00:24:43,370 --> 00:24:40,559

right so we stand to learn a lot from

543

00:24:45,770 --> 00:24:43,380

this dark impact Dart is both a

544

00:24:48,470 --> 00:24:45,780

technology demonstration as well as a

545

00:24:50,570 --> 00:24:48,480

really big science experiment so from a

546

00:24:53,149 --> 00:24:50,580

technology standpoint we're going to see

547

00:24:56,510 --> 00:24:53,159

if we have what it takes to autonomously

548

00:24:58,669 --> 00:24:56,520

navigate a spacecraft into a relatively

549

00:25:02,210 --> 00:24:58,679

small Celestial body something the size

550

00:25:04,850 --> 00:25:02,220

of a football stadium that's pretty far

551
00:25:08,029 --> 00:25:04,860
away from Earth from a science

552
00:25:10,549 --> 00:25:08,039
perspective we get to perform one of the

553
00:25:13,310 --> 00:25:10,559
largest and fastest impact experiments

554
00:25:14,750 --> 00:25:13,320
that man has done ever something that

555
00:25:17,149 --> 00:25:14,760
could never be accomplished in a

556
00:25:20,149 --> 00:25:17,159
laboratory here on Earth so we're going

557
00:25:22,730 --> 00:25:20,159
to learn how these large sizes these

558
00:25:24,950 --> 00:25:22,740
fast impact velocities and also these

559
00:25:28,190 --> 00:25:24,960
sort of extraterrestrial asteroid

560
00:25:30,110 --> 00:25:28,200
materials respond to deflection wow I

561
00:25:31,430 --> 00:25:30,120
mean there's so much about tonight that

562
00:25:33,890 --> 00:25:31,440
we don't know and it seems like you're

563
00:25:37,130 --> 00:25:33,900

fun is just getting started right until

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00:25:39,830 --> 00:25:37,140

after impact so Mallory Andy thank you

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00:25:41,990 --> 00:25:39,840

so much and tonight ground-based

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00:25:44,450 --> 00:25:42,000

telescopes aren't the only one watching

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00:25:46,490 --> 00:25:44,460

the action a small cube satellite built

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00:25:49,130 --> 00:25:46,500

by the attack Italian space agency was

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00:25:51,169 --> 00:25:49,140

deployed by Dart 15 days ago and has

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00:25:53,990 --> 00:25:51,179

been in the area to give us a bird's eye

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00:25:55,370 --> 00:25:54,000

view of impact here's more on lychia

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00:25:57,649 --> 00:25:55,380

Cube

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00:25:59,930 --> 00:25:57,659

is a six year cubesat of the Italian

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00:26:02,390 --> 00:25:59,940

space agency participating in the dark

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00:26:05,510 --> 00:26:02,400

Mission and it's also the first Italian

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00:26:07,850 --> 00:26:05,520

satellite operating in deep space it is

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00:26:10,130 --> 00:26:07,860

mission objectives is to support the

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00:26:12,890 --> 00:26:10,140

dart in the documentation of the impact

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00:26:14,810 --> 00:26:12,900

effects in particular in terms of the

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00:26:17,390 --> 00:26:14,820

objective of materials that will be

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00:26:19,970 --> 00:26:17,400

released from the asteroid Surface after

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00:26:22,490 --> 00:26:19,980

the impact and also Imaging the

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00:26:26,149 --> 00:26:22,500

non-visible side of the asteroid during

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00:26:30,970 --> 00:26:26,159

its flyby Bishop will acquire images

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00:26:36,590 --> 00:26:34,070

RGB camera therefore we can better

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00:26:39,529 --> 00:26:36,600

understand the nature of the asteroid

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00:26:42,830 --> 00:26:39,539

dimorphous impacted by dark by means of

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00:26:46,070 --> 00:26:42,840

our scientific Operation Center in ssdc

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00:26:49,490 --> 00:26:46,080

RC we will distribute and process the

590

00:26:52,310 --> 00:26:49,500

images in order to make the them

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00:26:54,350 --> 00:26:52,320

available to the entire team we are here

592

00:26:56,450 --> 00:26:54,360

in agrotech's Mission Control Center in

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00:26:58,490 --> 00:26:56,460

Turin from where together with us he

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00:27:00,710 --> 00:26:58,500

will monitor the status of leisure Cube

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00:27:01,970 --> 00:27:00,720

the batteries of charge radio is

596

00:27:03,409 --> 00:27:01,980

communicating correctly and the

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00:27:05,570 --> 00:27:03,419

navigation aptitude is on the right

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00:27:07,430 --> 00:27:05,580

trajectory everything is ready for the

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00:27:12,230 --> 00:27:07,440

most important part of the dark Mission

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00:27:17,630 --> 00:27:14,630

Dart is a global effort to prepare

601
00:27:19,909 --> 00:27:17,640
Humanity for the unthinkable before the

602
00:27:21,950 --> 00:27:19,919
spacecraft can complete its Mission the

603
00:27:24,950 --> 00:27:21,960
autonomous navigation system must first

604
00:27:26,690 --> 00:27:24,960
confirm a lock on Target this is a key

605
00:27:29,029 --> 00:27:26,700
Milestone that we should be hearing

606
00:27:32,930 --> 00:27:29,039
about soon so let's go back to Samson

607
00:27:39,590 --> 00:27:35,510
hey Tahira we are less than 50 minutes

608
00:27:42,409 --> 00:27:39,600
out and we just heard big news we have

609
00:27:45,710 --> 00:27:42,419
reached the point where smartnav is now

610
00:27:47,390 --> 00:27:45,720
Target locked onto dimorphos uh that

611
00:27:51,169 --> 00:27:47,400
progress bar should move to your right

612
00:27:53,450 --> 00:27:51,179
that much further closer to impact very

613
00:27:55,070 --> 00:27:53,460

exciting uh in the meantime joining me

614

00:27:57,470 --> 00:27:55,080

is someone who worked on the instrument

615

00:27:59,690 --> 00:27:57,480

playing a starring role with this major

616

00:28:02,090 --> 00:27:59,700

Milestone and basically all the way up

617

00:28:04,130 --> 00:28:02,100

to impact Lisa Wu mechanical engineer

618

00:28:06,289 --> 00:28:04,140

who helped install the Draco camera and

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00:28:08,810 --> 00:28:06,299

built its cover Lisa thank you for

620

00:28:11,510 --> 00:28:08,820

joining me thank you for having me so we

621

00:28:13,909 --> 00:28:11,520

just heard big news we hit this target

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00:28:16,970 --> 00:28:13,919

lock it could have come fairly later

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00:28:18,830 --> 00:28:16,980

than this yeah it is very it is we are

624

00:28:21,470 --> 00:28:18,840

we're in a good spot exactly how are you

625

00:28:24,289 --> 00:28:21,480

feeling I am so excited I'm sure the

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00:28:26,630 --> 00:28:24,299

entire team is ecstatic this is what

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00:28:28,669 --> 00:28:26,640

we've been working so hard for in these

628

00:28:31,310 --> 00:28:28,679

very last moments and we just heard we

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00:28:34,610 --> 00:28:31,320

got Target lock so could not be feeling

630

00:28:37,130 --> 00:28:34,620

any better very exciting I mean we are

631

00:28:38,690 --> 00:28:37,140

we are humming along so a quick recap

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00:28:40,490 --> 00:28:38,700

smart and have this darts autonomous

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00:28:42,590 --> 00:28:40,500

navigation system it's been called the

634

00:28:44,029 --> 00:28:42,600

brains of the spacecraft and right now

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00:28:46,250 --> 00:28:44,039

it's essentially maneuvering that

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00:28:49,789 --> 00:28:46,260

spacecraft on its own as it will be for

637

00:28:51,049 --> 00:28:49,799

the last four hours a draco imager is

638

00:28:53,690 --> 00:28:51,059

providing smartness with that

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00:28:55,970 --> 00:28:53,700

unflinching view of the morphos about an

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00:28:58,130 --> 00:28:55,980

image per second it is the eyes of the

641

00:29:00,769 --> 00:28:58,140

spacecraft based on what makes this

642

00:29:03,529 --> 00:29:00,779

camera perfect for this Mission yeah of

643

00:29:06,110 --> 00:29:03,539

course so the Draco instrument is a very

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00:29:08,149 --> 00:29:06,120

very high resolution narrow field of

645

00:29:11,630 --> 00:29:08,159

view telescope

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00:29:14,029 --> 00:29:11,640

um the image quality let's go back at

647

00:29:15,710 --> 00:29:14,039

Draco is a descendant of the Lorry color

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00:29:18,830 --> 00:29:15,720

self which might sound familiar because

649

00:29:21,169 --> 00:29:18,840

it took the very first pictures of Pluto

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00:29:22,789 --> 00:29:21,179

on the New Horizons Mission which also

651
00:29:25,370 --> 00:29:22,799
might sound very familiar because that

652
00:29:27,950 --> 00:29:25,380
is an APL LED Mission so if you've ever

653
00:29:31,070 --> 00:29:27,960
seen the first pictures of Pluto that is

654
00:29:33,049 --> 00:29:31,080
the amazing quality that we have on Dart

655
00:29:34,909 --> 00:29:33,059
that's incredible Heritage and yeah

656
00:29:37,010 --> 00:29:34,919
anyone who saw those images of Pluto

657
00:29:38,389 --> 00:29:37,020
those were made amazing and they're kind

658
00:29:39,769 --> 00:29:38,399
of upstanding for what we're going to

659
00:29:40,970 --> 00:29:39,779
see with these pictures of the muscles

660
00:29:43,549 --> 00:29:40,980
right oh yeah

661
00:29:45,710 --> 00:29:43,559
so we all know about a lot of us have

662
00:29:48,110 --> 00:29:45,720
smartphones with you know cameras we

663
00:29:49,669 --> 00:29:48,120

have practice smudges how do your team

664

00:29:51,289 --> 00:29:49,679

make sure that this camera made it in

665

00:29:54,789 --> 00:29:51,299

pristine condition to get to this point

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00:29:57,710 --> 00:29:54,799

of course so our flight Hardware

667

00:30:00,350 --> 00:29:57,720

including this instrument was made in

668

00:30:03,649 --> 00:30:00,360

the clean room very very high clean

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00:30:05,630 --> 00:30:03,659

facility in order to make sure that the

670

00:30:07,610 --> 00:30:05,640

telescope works we had to put it through

671

00:30:10,490 --> 00:30:07,620

a lot of electrical testing Optical

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00:30:13,070 --> 00:30:10,500

testing alignment testing we have to

673

00:30:14,990 --> 00:30:13,080

make sure it performs as we intended and

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00:30:17,330 --> 00:30:15,000

then not only that you have to take this

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00:30:18,950 --> 00:30:17,340

instrument and put it through all the

676
00:30:20,630 --> 00:30:18,960
environments that it will see through

677
00:30:23,149 --> 00:30:20,640
space so we put it through vibration

678
00:30:26,149 --> 00:30:23,159
testing thermal vacuum chamber testing

679
00:30:27,889 --> 00:30:26,159
all to make sure that it performs and it

680
00:30:31,130 --> 00:30:27,899
will survive through space

681
00:30:33,049 --> 00:30:31,140
amazing test test and test again right

682
00:30:35,330 --> 00:30:33,059
yes this is how we get to a stage like

683
00:30:37,970 --> 00:30:35,340
this that is exactly that is great

684
00:30:40,130 --> 00:30:37,980
thanks so much Lisa the number of

685
00:30:42,409 --> 00:30:40,140
astounding technologies that are on

686
00:30:44,510 --> 00:30:42,419
board this spacecraft is amazing but

687
00:30:47,029 --> 00:30:44,520
doing the impossible requires nothing

688
00:30:48,830 --> 00:30:47,039

less than the astounding right all right

689

00:30:50,810 --> 00:30:48,840

so here we have the technology clearly

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00:30:53,570 --> 00:30:50,820

we have the talent now we wait for

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00:30:55,909 --> 00:30:53,580

history back to you

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00:30:58,010 --> 00:30:55,919

all right thanks Samson it feels good to

693

00:31:00,830 --> 00:30:58,020

know that we have locked on target

694

00:31:02,690 --> 00:31:00,840

dimorphos now earlier we asked you to

695

00:31:05,149 --> 00:31:02,700

send in your questions by using the

696

00:31:08,090 --> 00:31:05,159

hashtag planetarydefender and I am

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00:31:11,210 --> 00:31:08,100

joined Now by two real life planetary

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00:31:13,549 --> 00:31:11,220

Defenders we have Kelly fast and Lucas

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00:31:15,830 --> 00:31:13,559

Paganini both from NASA's planetary

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00:31:18,230 --> 00:31:15,840

defense coordination office let's dive

701
00:31:20,510 --> 00:31:18,240
into what you want to know so Kelly

702
00:31:22,490 --> 00:31:20,520
Lucas before I get to social media

703
00:31:25,070 --> 00:31:22,500
questions we actually have a special

704
00:31:27,409 --> 00:31:25,080
question from a familiar face especially

705
00:31:29,029 --> 00:31:27,419
if you're into football so let's take a

706
00:31:31,250 --> 00:31:29,039
moment and hear from him

707
00:31:32,870 --> 00:31:31,260
what's up I'm Joshua Dobbs quarterback

708
00:31:35,269 --> 00:31:32,880
for the Cleveland Browns now the

709
00:31:37,549 --> 00:31:35,279
question for NASA's dart team on the

710
00:31:38,810 --> 00:31:37,559
field I have to use Precision passing in

711
00:31:41,269 --> 00:31:38,820
order to get the football in the hands

712
00:31:44,029 --> 00:31:41,279
of my teammates and at least I can see

713
00:31:46,490 --> 00:31:44,039

where they are for NASA Star Team how

714

00:31:49,789 --> 00:31:46,500

are you able to aim a spacecraft at an

715

00:31:53,389 --> 00:31:51,529

but that's a really good question Kelly

716

00:31:57,350 --> 00:31:53,399

and I mean we haven't really done this

717

00:31:59,450 --> 00:31:57,360

before how can we aim right but I have

718

00:32:02,330 --> 00:31:59,460

to say Joshua does in a few seconds what

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00:32:03,950 --> 00:32:02,340

we've taken you know years to do

720

00:32:06,110 --> 00:32:03,960

um just because he has to throw it where

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00:32:07,430 --> 00:32:06,120

he knows that the player will be throw

722

00:32:09,950 --> 00:32:07,440

his football where the player will be

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00:32:11,870 --> 00:32:09,960

Dart needs to end up where uh dynamos

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00:32:14,149 --> 00:32:11,880

and dimorphos will be and so that that

725

00:32:15,830 --> 00:32:14,159

was learned from astronomy looking at

726
00:32:18,590 --> 00:32:15,840
through telescopes calculating the orbit

727
00:32:21,529 --> 00:32:18,600
and then the people who launched uh Dart

728
00:32:22,970 --> 00:32:21,539
his destination navigated there so it's

729
00:32:24,889 --> 00:32:22,980
there's just a lot more calculations

730
00:32:26,930 --> 00:32:24,899
involved which Joshua does in his head

731
00:32:28,789 --> 00:32:26,940
yeah and then there's this autonomous

732
00:32:31,130 --> 00:32:28,799
navigation it would be like he had a

733
00:32:34,070 --> 00:32:31,140
football that could navigate itself so

734
00:32:37,130 --> 00:32:34,080
so we we have that to lean on that that

735
00:32:39,529 --> 00:32:37,140
he doesn't and so that's what helps get

736
00:32:42,289 --> 00:32:39,539
to that destination all right nice I

737
00:32:44,690 --> 00:32:42,299
mean it's very impressive and so we have

738
00:32:47,750 --> 00:32:44,700

another question from it from Jonathan

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00:32:49,669 --> 00:32:47,760

on Facebook who wants to know how can a

740

00:32:52,549 --> 00:32:49,679

small satellite like Dart be able to

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00:32:55,190 --> 00:32:52,559

impact something as big and heavy as an

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00:32:57,230 --> 00:32:55,200

asteroid and actually move it right and

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00:33:01,190 --> 00:32:57,240

it's all about momentum right we have

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00:33:04,130 --> 00:33:01,200

these tiny uh well asteroid of about 160

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00:33:05,990 --> 00:33:04,140

meters the size of a football field and

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00:33:08,630 --> 00:33:06,000

then you have this spacecraft which is

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00:33:11,690 --> 00:33:08,640

about 500 Kilograms so it's all about

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00:33:14,990 --> 00:33:11,700

momentum right we have this massive

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00:33:17,509 --> 00:33:15,000

Astrid and this tiny spacecraft and how

750

00:33:19,730 --> 00:33:17,519

do you move it it's all about mass and

751
00:33:22,009 --> 00:33:19,740
velocity since we don't have enough mass

752
00:33:23,810 --> 00:33:22,019
in that spacecraft we have to really

753
00:33:26,090 --> 00:33:23,820
impact it hard and that's why we're

754
00:33:28,909 --> 00:33:26,100
impacting it at four miles a second

755
00:33:31,130 --> 00:33:28,919
which is outstanding which is amazing

756
00:33:34,610 --> 00:33:31,140
and I mean we're actually gonna get to

757
00:33:36,590 --> 00:33:34,620
watch impact live take place and so that

758
00:33:40,070 --> 00:33:36,600
gets me to my next question we have

759
00:33:42,110 --> 00:33:40,080
metal money on Twitter who asks what is

760
00:33:43,730 --> 00:33:42,120
the size of the blast on the asteroid

761
00:33:45,710 --> 00:33:43,740
Kelly could you explain a little bit

762
00:33:47,690 --> 00:33:45,720
about that well and that's something

763
00:33:49,250 --> 00:33:47,700

that we're hoping to find out from this

764

00:33:51,950 --> 00:33:49,260

Mission because you know there's there's

765

00:33:53,149 --> 00:33:51,960

physics but and calculations but

766

00:33:54,769 --> 00:33:53,159

actually when you're dealing with a real

767

00:33:56,810 --> 00:33:54,779

asteroid that we haven't seen close up

768

00:33:59,149 --> 00:33:56,820

before and what type of material might

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00:34:01,310 --> 00:33:59,159

be on the surface what the structure is

770

00:34:03,590 --> 00:34:01,320

this is something that like a lychia

771

00:34:05,990 --> 00:34:03,600

cube we hope to see as the two Cube

772

00:34:07,730 --> 00:34:06,000

flies by to see what that blast was how

773

00:34:09,290 --> 00:34:07,740

large it was which will help those who

774

00:34:13,369 --> 00:34:09,300

are doing the modeling of how effective

775

00:34:15,530 --> 00:34:13,379

the uh impact was and in changing the

776

00:34:17,450 --> 00:34:15,540

orbit what all figures in what Lucas

777

00:34:19,909 --> 00:34:17,460

just talked about the mass and the

778

00:34:21,409 --> 00:34:19,919

velocity but then also maybe that blast

779

00:34:23,510 --> 00:34:21,419

that is seen afterwards the plume of

780

00:34:26,030 --> 00:34:23,520

material that we're hoping to see from

781

00:34:28,790 --> 00:34:26,040

the Chia Cube so how does tonight's

782

00:34:31,790 --> 00:34:28,800

Mission play into the work that y'all do

783

00:34:33,889 --> 00:34:31,800

in NASA's planetary defense coordination

784

00:34:35,570 --> 00:34:33,899

office Lucas yeah I would start by

785

00:34:38,210 --> 00:34:35,580

saying that this is a very important

786

00:34:40,669 --> 00:34:38,220

test we're going to know if this kinetic

787

00:34:42,669 --> 00:34:40,679

impact is an effective technique to use

788

00:34:46,190 --> 00:34:42,679

in the case that there will be any

789

00:34:47,869 --> 00:34:46,200

potential asteroid on road to Earth so

790

00:34:50,210 --> 00:34:47,879

definitely for me that's the most

791

00:34:53,030 --> 00:34:50,220

important thing about this test

792

00:34:55,550 --> 00:34:53,040

but then on top of that there's finding

793

00:34:57,410 --> 00:34:55,560

the asteroids because you can't go out

794

00:34:59,150 --> 00:34:57,420

and mitigate a possible threat if you

795

00:35:02,089 --> 00:34:59,160

don't even know it's there and so NASA

796

00:35:04,130 --> 00:35:02,099

is very focused also on finding nearest

797

00:35:06,410 --> 00:35:04,140

asteroids with telescopes that survey

798

00:35:08,329 --> 00:35:06,420

the skies every night looking for near

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00:35:09,589 --> 00:35:08,339

thasteroids getting the orbits

800

00:35:10,849 --> 00:35:09,599

calculated figuring out where they're

801
00:35:12,710 --> 00:35:10,859
going to be in the future to see if we

802
00:35:14,750 --> 00:35:12,720
even need something by Dart and then

803
00:35:16,790 --> 00:35:14,760
working to speed that up NASA's working

804
00:35:18,470 --> 00:35:16,800
on the near-earth object surveyor Space

805
00:35:19,490 --> 00:35:18,480
Telescope that would look in the

806
00:35:21,470 --> 00:35:19,500
infrared and have a different

807
00:35:23,510 --> 00:35:21,480
perspective complement the ground-based

808
00:35:25,190 --> 00:35:23,520
telescopes to accelerate things just so

809
00:35:26,630 --> 00:35:25,200
that we know is there a threat out there

810
00:35:28,849 --> 00:35:26,640
that we're facing that we do not yet

811
00:35:30,770 --> 00:35:28,859
know about wow I mean it's incredible

812
00:35:32,150 --> 00:35:30,780
just to know the work that is already

813
00:35:34,430 --> 00:35:32,160

being done it's good to know that we're

814

00:35:36,109 --> 00:35:34,440

building off of it but it's good to know

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00:35:37,609 --> 00:35:36,119

we've already got some people watching

816

00:35:39,530 --> 00:35:37,619

this guys

817

00:35:42,530 --> 00:35:39,540

um and so I have our next question from

818

00:35:45,710 --> 00:35:42,540

Alan on Twitter who asks how long does

819

00:35:47,750 --> 00:35:45,720

it take for pictures to reach Earth well

820

00:35:49,730 --> 00:35:47,760

the uh the light the time it takes light

821

00:35:52,430 --> 00:35:49,740

and then a radio signal from the

822

00:35:53,990 --> 00:35:52,440

spacecraft uh to come to Earth is 38

823

00:35:56,270 --> 00:35:54,000

seconds but then there's also the time

824

00:35:58,550 --> 00:35:56,280

needed to process the images so a few

825

00:36:01,370 --> 00:35:58,560

more seconds on on top of that so under

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00:36:03,349 --> 00:36:01,380

a minute but still it's uh it's not

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00:36:05,270 --> 00:36:03,359

instantaneous because it's it's a ways

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00:36:07,069 --> 00:36:05,280

out there well that makes sense I mean

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00:36:08,750 --> 00:36:07,079

but under a minute to get something back

830

00:36:12,050 --> 00:36:08,760

from space I'd say we're doing pretty

831

00:36:13,970 --> 00:36:12,060

good right there so Lucas Kelly thank

832

00:36:16,310 --> 00:36:13,980

you so much for everything that y'all

833

00:36:19,430 --> 00:36:16,320

are doing to keep our planet safe thanks

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00:36:20,810 --> 00:36:19,440

and so it's important to note that

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00:36:23,089 --> 00:36:20,820

tonight we're attempting something

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00:36:25,550 --> 00:36:23,099

that's never been done and what that

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00:36:28,130 --> 00:36:25,560

presents many challenges to overcome

838

00:36:29,690 --> 00:36:28,140

here's what makes Dart a first of its

839

00:36:31,750 --> 00:36:29,700

kind mission

840

00:36:33,890 --> 00:36:31,760

foreign

841

00:36:36,710 --> 00:36:33,900

mission is a very difficult Mission

842

00:36:38,630 --> 00:36:36,720

because we are trying to do something

843

00:36:40,430 --> 00:36:38,640

that hasn't been done before this is the

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00:36:43,430 --> 00:36:40,440

first time we're going to an asteroid

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00:36:46,490 --> 00:36:43,440

that is this small this dark and we're

846

00:36:48,170 --> 00:36:46,500

actually going to attempt an impact the

847

00:36:55,370 --> 00:36:48,180

dart mission is really something that

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00:37:01,550 --> 00:36:58,910

we're doing this mission to prove that

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00:37:04,430 --> 00:37:01,560

we can deflect an asteroid if we find

850

00:37:07,089 --> 00:37:04,440

one that is on an impact course for

851

00:37:09,650 --> 00:37:07,099

Earth we are trying to hit an asteroid

852

00:37:12,349 --> 00:37:09,660

163 meters wide which is about the size

853

00:37:14,030 --> 00:37:12,359

of the Washington Monument while flying

854

00:37:16,130 --> 00:37:14,040

at six kilometers per second which is

855

00:37:18,710 --> 00:37:16,140

like going from New York to DC in about

856

00:37:21,109 --> 00:37:18,720

a minute there is no chance that this

857

00:37:23,510 --> 00:37:21,119

asteroid could ever hit earth it's a

858

00:37:25,609 --> 00:37:23,520

very small asteroid it's only about the

859

00:37:28,010 --> 00:37:25,619

size of a small football stadium and

860

00:37:30,770 --> 00:37:28,020

it's almost 7 million miles away from

861

00:37:32,390 --> 00:37:30,780

the earth that's uh 28 times the

862

00:37:35,329 --> 00:37:32,400

distance between the Earth and the moon

863

00:37:38,569 --> 00:37:35,339

there's kind of a limit on how much mass

864

00:37:39,710 --> 00:37:38,579

you can launch in space Rockets are only

865

00:37:42,950 --> 00:37:39,720

so big

866

00:37:45,950 --> 00:37:42,960

so our spacecraft is only the size of a

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00:37:48,349 --> 00:37:45,960

golf cart Draco is the primary

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00:37:50,390 --> 00:37:48,359

instrument on the dart spacecraft it is

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00:37:53,569 --> 00:37:50,400

the camera that is going to be Imaging

870

00:37:55,630 --> 00:37:53,579

the dirimo system as we approach when we

871

00:37:57,950 --> 00:37:55,640

first see the asteroid through Draco

872

00:38:00,290 --> 00:37:57,960

it's just gonna look like a pixel

873

00:38:02,870 --> 00:38:00,300

there's a star tracker on board that

874

00:38:05,510 --> 00:38:02,880

takes images of the stars and Compares

875

00:38:07,310 --> 00:38:05,520

them to a known catalog to determine

876

00:38:09,890 --> 00:38:07,320

which way it's pointing in space it

877

00:38:11,930 --> 00:38:09,900

poses the biggest risk because very very

878

00:38:13,730 --> 00:38:11,940

small errors in this measurement can

879

00:38:15,950 --> 00:38:13,740

spell the difference between success and

880

00:38:17,810 --> 00:38:15,960

failure and those measurements are going

881

00:38:19,490 --> 00:38:17,820

to be fed into the smart nav algorithm

882

00:38:22,310 --> 00:38:19,500

that's going to be making the autonomous

883

00:38:25,250 --> 00:38:22,320

course correction uh commands that will

884

00:38:26,870 --> 00:38:25,260

put us on an intercept course there is a

885

00:38:28,670 --> 00:38:26,880

very small probability that we don't hit

886

00:38:30,130 --> 00:38:28,680

the asteroid even if we do everything

887

00:38:33,349 --> 00:38:30,140

right

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00:38:36,290 --> 00:38:33,359

our sensors work well our spacecraft is

889

00:38:38,750 --> 00:38:36,300

doing well we are looking we're finding

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00:38:40,910 --> 00:38:38,760

the asteroid even then we might still

891

00:38:43,849 --> 00:38:40,920

miss we're trying to teach a computer

892

00:38:46,670 --> 00:38:43,859

how to recognize an object we've never

893

00:38:49,550 --> 00:38:46,680

seen before and the way it does that is

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00:38:51,710 --> 00:38:49,560

by taking pictures of the asteroid and

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00:38:53,990 --> 00:38:51,720

then interpreting where it is in space

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00:38:56,510 --> 00:38:54,000

and guiding itself to it the spacecraft

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00:38:59,870 --> 00:38:56,520

is controlling itself smart enough is

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00:39:02,510 --> 00:38:59,880

guiding spacecraft and we have very

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00:39:05,870 --> 00:39:02,520

limited ability to respond in that time

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00:39:08,810 --> 00:39:05,880

so it has to do it all by itself and at

901
00:39:14,390 --> 00:39:08,820
about two and a half minutes out

902
00:39:20,270 --> 00:39:16,670
until we hit the asteroid

903
00:39:22,370 --> 00:39:20,280
it is going very very fast towards the

904
00:39:25,490 --> 00:39:22,380
asteroid traveling at six kilometers per

905
00:39:26,690 --> 00:39:25,500
second 200 times faster than a car on

906
00:39:29,329 --> 00:39:26,700
the freeway

907
00:39:31,730 --> 00:39:29,339
so when we hit

908
00:39:34,609 --> 00:39:31,740
all of that mass all of that momentum

909
00:39:37,910 --> 00:39:34,619
pushes the asteroid even giving it a

910
00:39:40,370 --> 00:39:37,920
small nudge will allow it to change its

911
00:39:42,589 --> 00:39:40,380
course but if we did see an asteroid on

912
00:39:44,870 --> 00:39:42,599
track for Earth this would be enough of

913
00:39:47,150 --> 00:39:44,880

a deflection it's like a Bittersweet

914

00:39:49,250 --> 00:39:47,160

moment yeah all this hard work just got

915

00:39:51,470 --> 00:39:49,260

destroyed but that was exactly why we

916

00:39:54,770 --> 00:39:51,480

put it all together of all the Endeavors

917

00:39:57,410 --> 00:39:54,780

that we do for space and in space this

918

00:39:59,150 --> 00:39:57,420

is probably one of the ones that one day

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00:40:00,650 --> 00:39:59,160

will be the most important thing that

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00:40:04,069 --> 00:40:00,660

we've ever done

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00:40:06,290 --> 00:40:04,079

in the future I hope that Dart can teach

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00:40:09,890 --> 00:40:06,300

us what ways work and what ways don't

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00:40:12,050 --> 00:40:09,900

work for planetary defense because it is

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00:40:14,810 --> 00:40:12,060

humankind's first

925

00:40:17,270 --> 00:40:14,820

demonstration that we have gained the

926
00:40:19,970 --> 00:40:17,280
knowledge and the technology to be able

927
00:40:28,310 --> 00:40:19,980
to protect the Earth from an asteroid

928
00:40:34,430 --> 00:40:30,829
pushing past boundaries remember tonight

929
00:40:35,750 --> 00:40:34,440
is a test and we hope to make impact now

930
00:40:38,150 --> 00:40:35,760
that you've learned of the challenges

931
00:40:40,430 --> 00:40:38,160
today's test let's head back to Mission

932
00:40:43,130 --> 00:40:40,440
operations and get a status update on

933
00:40:45,010 --> 00:40:43,140
dart's real-time progress Samson how are

934
00:40:47,630 --> 00:40:45,020
we looking

935
00:40:50,690 --> 00:40:47,640
hero we have 30 minutes to go until

936
00:40:52,310 --> 00:40:50,700
impact as we heard earlier so far so

937
00:40:54,230 --> 00:40:52,320
good smart nav is now targeting

938
00:40:56,930 --> 00:40:54,240

dimorphos thrusters are firing

939

00:40:58,849 --> 00:40:56,940

maneuvering the spacecraft Draco dar's

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00:41:00,950 --> 00:40:58,859

eye playing Paparazzi with dimorphos

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00:41:02,930 --> 00:41:00,960

providing smart enough of about an image

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00:41:04,550 --> 00:41:02,940

per second and this is a good time to

943

00:41:06,349 --> 00:41:04,560

remind you that what we're seeing on the

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00:41:09,230 --> 00:41:06,359

Draco feed is delayed by about 45

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00:41:11,690 --> 00:41:09,240

seconds on a ton of signal delay and

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00:41:13,430 --> 00:41:11,700

image processing and coming up we're

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00:41:16,130 --> 00:41:13,440

about to see the team conduct a final

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00:41:18,829 --> 00:41:16,140

poll one last scheduled confab to make

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00:41:20,210 --> 00:41:18,839

sure that all systems are go and as we

950

00:41:22,130 --> 00:41:20,220

head to that I have someone with me who

951
00:41:24,890 --> 00:41:22,140
knows a thing or two about ensuring

952
00:41:27,170 --> 00:41:24,900
spacecraft Readiness and integrity Betsy

953
00:41:29,030 --> 00:41:27,180
Congdon darts mechanical systems

954
00:41:31,910 --> 00:41:29,040
engineer Betsy thank you so much for

955
00:41:34,190 --> 00:41:31,920
joining me thank you so you led the team

956
00:41:36,650 --> 00:41:34,200
that literally put Dart together is that

957
00:41:38,329 --> 00:41:36,660
right let's see yeah so the my job is to

958
00:41:40,310 --> 00:41:38,339
make sure that engineers and the

959
00:41:42,170 --> 00:41:40,320
technicians all physically put all these

960
00:41:44,870 --> 00:41:42,180
boxes that you've been hearing bolts and

961
00:41:47,810 --> 00:41:44,880
all all onto a spacecraft altogether I

962
00:41:50,329 --> 00:41:47,820
gotta ask with uh Mission so ambitious

963
00:41:52,130 --> 00:41:50,339

how many hours how many years how many

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00:41:54,530 --> 00:41:52,140

people do you have any idea at this

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00:41:55,970 --> 00:41:54,540

point oh man so I mean Dart has been

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00:41:57,650 --> 00:41:55,980

thought about for a long time but really

967

00:41:59,210 --> 00:41:57,660

started in Earnest about five years ago

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00:42:01,190 --> 00:41:59,220

we started building up the spacecraft

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00:42:03,290 --> 00:42:01,200

and you know in that assembly that I was

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00:42:04,370 --> 00:42:03,300

talking about about two two and a half

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00:42:05,870 --> 00:42:04,380

years ago

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00:42:07,310 --> 00:42:05,880

um and so it's been hundreds of hours

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00:42:09,170 --> 00:42:07,320

you know to make something like this

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00:42:10,730 --> 00:42:09,180

possible people with all sorts of

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00:42:11,510 --> 00:42:10,740

talents you've seen a lot of them uh

976
00:42:13,730 --> 00:42:11,520
today

977
00:42:16,250 --> 00:42:13,740
that's incredible and so we're heading

978
00:42:18,829 --> 00:42:16,260
up toward another feed as I said earlier

979
00:42:20,810 --> 00:42:18,839
and as we all know space is a unique and

980
00:42:22,550 --> 00:42:20,820
challenging environment when you're

981
00:42:24,410 --> 00:42:22,560
ascending Dart what were the key boxes

982
00:42:26,089 --> 00:42:24,420
you're checking off of that very long

983
00:42:27,829 --> 00:42:26,099
quality assurance list to get the

984
00:42:30,710 --> 00:42:27,839
spacecraft to where it is right now and

985
00:42:32,210 --> 00:42:30,720
hopefully till impact so space is very

986
00:42:33,650 --> 00:42:32,220
hard and so what we do is each

987
00:42:35,210 --> 00:42:33,660
individual component Lisa was talking

988
00:42:36,950 --> 00:42:35,220

about this earlier goes through its own

989

00:42:38,690 --> 00:42:36,960

individual testing and then we put the

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00:42:40,490 --> 00:42:38,700

whole spacecraft together and we will

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00:42:42,050 --> 00:42:40,500

check out the electrical systems making

992

00:42:43,849 --> 00:42:42,060

sure all the boxes are working and

993

00:42:45,109 --> 00:42:43,859

talking to each other we put it into a

994

00:42:46,730 --> 00:42:45,119

vacuum chamber make sure it's going to

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00:42:47,870 --> 00:42:46,740

work in space put it through all the

996

00:42:49,609 --> 00:42:47,880

different temperatures it's going to see

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00:42:51,770 --> 00:42:49,619

and then put it on a Shaker table and

998

00:42:53,089 --> 00:42:51,780

actually mimic launch and so it actually

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00:42:54,410 --> 00:42:53,099

goes through all of that as a full

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00:42:56,270 --> 00:42:54,420

spacecraft as well as individual

1001
00:42:58,790 --> 00:42:56,280
components so we go through a lot of

1002
00:43:01,430 --> 00:42:58,800
testing Mission operations uh mission

1003
00:43:03,230 --> 00:43:01,440
simulations to get to this point that's

1004
00:43:05,089 --> 00:43:03,240
incredible I mean I don't know if you

1005
00:43:06,710 --> 00:43:05,099
included you mentioned so much Ray is

1006
00:43:08,630 --> 00:43:06,720
that also accounting for the temperature

1007
00:43:11,990 --> 00:43:08,640
fluctuations in space or some other

1008
00:43:13,910 --> 00:43:12,000
people yeah so the we have Chambers here

1009
00:43:15,410 --> 00:43:13,920
at APL they're specially built to take

1010
00:43:17,030 --> 00:43:15,420
these spacecraft put them into the

1011
00:43:18,290 --> 00:43:17,040
vacuum space and run them through the

1012
00:43:19,910 --> 00:43:18,300
temperature spaces that we're going to

1013
00:43:21,829 --> 00:43:19,920

actually see it's incredible how many

1014

00:43:23,750 --> 00:43:21,839

times do you check is it like one test

1015

00:43:26,030 --> 00:43:23,760

number done or are you sometimes testing

1016

00:43:27,710 --> 00:43:26,040

and testing lots and lots of testing and

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00:43:29,450 --> 00:43:27,720

that's what makes it you know so perfect

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00:43:31,910 --> 00:43:29,460

we're seeing these great images coming

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00:43:33,410 --> 00:43:31,920

in uh because of all that testing and

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00:43:34,970 --> 00:43:33,420

all that work so you know you don't do

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00:43:37,190 --> 00:43:34,980

anything once you're doing it many times

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00:43:39,829 --> 00:43:37,200

because once it's in space there's not a

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00:43:41,870 --> 00:43:39,839

lot of ways to fix it right well do you

1024

00:43:44,270 --> 00:43:41,880

ever you know think about that one panel

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00:43:45,470 --> 00:43:44,280

that one component that gave you a

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00:43:47,270 --> 00:43:45,480

little bit of heartburn in the clean

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00:43:49,609 --> 00:43:47,280

room and you're up and I thinking I

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00:43:52,430 --> 00:43:49,619

think that thing is gonna hold true Up

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00:43:53,990 --> 00:43:52,440

Until the End everything everything is

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00:43:55,430 --> 00:43:54,000

looking really good I will say you know

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00:43:57,410 --> 00:43:55,440

we had a lot of new technologies which

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00:43:58,730 --> 00:43:57,420

are really exciting the Rosa solar rays

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00:44:00,950 --> 00:43:58,740

had never been integrated onto a

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00:44:02,390 --> 00:44:00,960

spacecraft before and so that was like a

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00:44:03,950 --> 00:44:02,400

challenge but one the team was up for

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00:44:06,230 --> 00:44:03,960

and now it's all ready and working

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00:44:07,849 --> 00:44:06,240

perfectly all these new technology

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00:44:09,650 --> 00:44:07,859

demonstrations I mean it only adds to

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00:44:12,109 --> 00:44:09,660

the complexity of this Mission and to

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00:44:14,030 --> 00:44:12,119

you know testing things I want to say

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00:44:15,710 --> 00:44:14,040

even more so but it's it's just as

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00:44:19,190 --> 00:44:15,720

critical the new technology everything

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00:44:20,809 --> 00:44:19,200

has to be so to make sure it comes yeah

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00:44:22,670 --> 00:44:20,819

I mean all of this new technologies

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00:44:24,170 --> 00:44:22,680

requires extra testing but that just

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00:44:25,910 --> 00:44:24,180

gains confidence you know you're seeing

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00:44:28,069 --> 00:44:25,920

the team working through that working

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00:44:29,450 --> 00:44:28,079

through all these Mission Sims so

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00:44:30,950 --> 00:44:29,460

um that's really what makes it exciting

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00:44:32,990 --> 00:44:30,960

you don't want to just do the same thing

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00:44:34,670 --> 00:44:33,000

over and over this is what makes the APL

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00:44:36,470 --> 00:44:34,680

a special place we build these special

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00:44:38,329 --> 00:44:36,480

spacecraft that you know have never been

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00:44:40,130 --> 00:44:38,339

done before the last quick question for

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00:44:41,990 --> 00:44:40,140

you it's got to be a little Bittersweet

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00:44:44,089 --> 00:44:42,000

that a spacecraft you poured heart and

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00:44:45,829 --> 00:44:44,099

soul into is about to careen into an

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00:44:47,510 --> 00:44:45,839

asteroid how are you feeling about that

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00:44:49,190 --> 00:44:47,520

I'm feeling great about it you know it

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00:44:50,930 --> 00:44:49,200

was designed to create an industry it's

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00:44:52,609 --> 00:44:50,940

meeting its Destiny so it's really

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00:44:55,550 --> 00:44:52,619

exciting to see

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00:44:57,170 --> 00:44:55,560

um and I can't wait for impact well it

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00:44:59,569 --> 00:44:57,180

is serving a purpose I guess that's why

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00:45:01,490 --> 00:44:59,579

it's easier to let it go exactly very

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00:45:03,770 --> 00:45:01,500

much so that is awesome

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00:45:07,130 --> 00:45:03,780

well I think we are about to get into

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00:45:08,390 --> 00:45:07,140

that final poll in the mock very shortly

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00:45:10,609 --> 00:45:08,400

so we're gonna

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00:45:12,410 --> 00:45:10,619

hear that final 30

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00:45:14,329 --> 00:45:12,420

minute poll and then we're going to hear

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00:45:16,430 --> 00:45:14,339

from Lena Adams again darts mission

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00:45:18,109 --> 00:45:16,440

systems engineer to give us that summary

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00:45:20,329 --> 00:45:18,119

of what we just heard how she's feeling

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00:45:22,190 --> 00:45:20,339

how they're feeling in their uh very

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00:46:10,130 --> 00:45:22,200

exciting stuff this will be the final

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00:46:10,140 --> 00:46:16,970

we are awaiting that final poll

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00:46:26,410 --> 00:46:21,230

this is dark MSC on DT mock it is time

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00:46:34,730 --> 00:46:31,510

we're about what 7 000 miles from

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00:46:35,510 --> 00:46:34,740

dimorphous at this point so yay all

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00:46:37,069 --> 00:46:35,520

right

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00:46:38,630 --> 00:46:37,079

um image quality

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00:46:41,990 --> 00:46:38,640

how are we doing

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00:46:43,550 --> 00:46:42,000

still looking very good uh dimorphos

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00:46:47,150 --> 00:46:43,560

still tracking along that same

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00:46:49,360 --> 00:46:47,160

brightness predict as didimos

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00:46:54,700 --> 00:46:49,370

that's great all right

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00:47:01,550 --> 00:46:59,770

[Applause]

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00:47:04,069 --> 00:47:01,560

smartness

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00:47:06,230 --> 00:47:04,079

smart nav is looking nominal we are at

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00:47:07,849 --> 00:47:06,240

under 30 meters of projected Miss

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00:47:10,430 --> 00:47:07,859

distance right yeah it's looking really

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00:47:12,349 --> 00:47:10,440

good look at that that's that's looking

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00:47:15,230 --> 00:47:12,359

fantastic

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00:47:18,650 --> 00:47:15,240

very excited

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00:47:21,470 --> 00:47:18,660

all right uh GNC

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00:47:23,870 --> 00:47:21,480

yeah GNC also looking good we've been

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00:47:26,089 --> 00:47:23,880

very excited to do those Burns so we've

1099

00:47:28,190 --> 00:47:26,099

been waiting a long time

1100

00:47:30,290 --> 00:47:28,200

oh this is great

1101
00:47:34,970 --> 00:47:30,300
autonomy

1102
00:47:42,290 --> 00:47:34,980
cycling nominally and we've had no new

1103
00:47:48,890 --> 00:47:46,309
is green and Issa is green got plenty of

1104
00:47:52,490 --> 00:47:48,900
margin looks good all right ground

1105
00:47:55,130 --> 00:47:52,500
systems ground system has been helping a

1106
00:47:57,230 --> 00:47:55,140
few users manage clients but everything

1107
00:48:00,349 --> 00:47:57,240
is going fine there and we are green

1108
00:48:00,950 --> 00:48:00,359
yes wonderful thank you guys completes

1109
00:48:02,270 --> 00:48:00,960
the poll

1110
00:48:05,809 --> 00:48:02,280
[Applause]

1111
00:48:10,910 --> 00:48:09,230
last one last one all right so dynamos

1112
00:48:13,790 --> 00:48:10,920
is looking like itself let's see what

1113
00:48:15,170 --> 00:48:13,800

dimorphous is looking like soon uh in

1114

00:48:17,089 --> 00:48:15,180

the meantime we're going to transition

1115

00:48:25,910 --> 00:48:17,099

to Precision lock at 20 minutes that's

1116

00:48:32,930 --> 00:48:29,450

all right robots here from Lena Adams

1117

00:48:36,230 --> 00:48:32,940

from the mission operations center

1118

00:48:38,510 --> 00:48:36,240

hi Samson hi Elena that sounded very

1119

00:48:40,250 --> 00:48:38,520

positive how's it going in there oh it's

1120

00:48:42,770 --> 00:48:40,260

going great it's going great we've

1121

00:48:44,870 --> 00:48:42,780

locked on uh dimorphous we're when

1122

00:48:47,510 --> 00:48:44,880

you're wearing towards it and uh yeah

1123

00:48:49,370 --> 00:48:47,520

everything is looking really good we are

1124

00:48:52,190 --> 00:48:49,380

um we were at the time of the poll

1125

00:48:53,870 --> 00:48:52,200

within just a few meters of projected

1126
00:48:56,210 --> 00:48:53,880
Miss distance which means we were

1127
00:48:57,890 --> 00:48:56,220
hitting uh towards the center and at

1128
00:49:00,710 --> 00:48:57,900
this point we're you know coming back

1129
00:49:02,569 --> 00:49:00,720
there about 30 meters off the center of

1130
00:49:05,870 --> 00:49:02,579
the lit portion of dimorphous as of

1131
00:49:07,550 --> 00:49:05,880
right now we've executed two Burns and

1132
00:49:09,829 --> 00:49:07,560
everything's looking on track

1133
00:49:11,390 --> 00:49:09,839
oh that sounds wonderful Anna thanks so

1134
00:49:13,609 --> 00:49:11,400
much for that and good luck on the final

1135
00:49:15,890 --> 00:49:13,619
stretch thank you thank you have a good

1136
00:49:20,630 --> 00:49:18,410
all right Betsy we had that very

1137
00:49:22,790 --> 00:49:20,640
positive poll lots of fantastic lots of

1138
00:49:25,670 --> 00:49:22,800

clapping we heard Lena in a very

1139

00:49:27,770 --> 00:49:25,680

positive mode how are you feeling I'm

1140

00:49:29,450 --> 00:49:27,780

feeling great it's amazing to see like

1141

00:49:31,190 --> 00:49:29,460

the actual dots on the screen for real

1142

00:49:33,050 --> 00:49:31,200

coming down from the spacecraft very

1143

00:49:35,030 --> 00:49:33,060

exciting any any words of encouragement

1144

00:49:36,890 --> 00:49:35,040

for the team I mean obviously they're

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00:49:39,470 --> 00:49:36,900

doing a great job they practice a ton

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00:49:41,089 --> 00:49:39,480

and uh we're ready go dark

1147

00:49:43,849 --> 00:49:41,099

you've heard it all loud and clear

1148

00:49:45,890 --> 00:49:43,859

Tahira all systems are gone we remain on

1149

00:49:50,210 --> 00:49:45,900

track for impact and like Betsy just

1150

00:49:52,730 --> 00:49:50,220

said go Dart back to you all right what

1151
00:49:56,329 --> 00:49:52,740
an exciting update Samson you just heard

1152
00:49:59,210 --> 00:49:56,339
it all systems are go Mission operations

1153
00:50:02,569 --> 00:49:59,220
confirm the spacecraft is on track for

1154
00:50:05,390 --> 00:50:02,579
impact but in order to hit the mark the

1155
00:50:07,910 --> 00:50:05,400
test must first locate its Target that's

1156
00:50:10,609 --> 00:50:07,920
why Johns Hopkins APL engineer Michelle

1157
00:50:13,190 --> 00:50:10,619
Chen helped develop new autonomous

1158
00:50:15,470 --> 00:50:13,200
navigation techniques that will ensure a

1159
00:50:19,010 --> 00:50:15,480
bullseye let's take a look

1160
00:50:20,690 --> 00:50:19,020
foreign my life would I have thought I

1161
00:50:22,730 --> 00:50:20,700
would take a couple hundred million

1162
00:50:26,210 --> 00:50:22,740
dollars spacecraft and crash that into

1163
00:50:28,670 --> 00:50:26,220

an asteroid my name is Michelle Chen and

1164

00:50:30,710 --> 00:50:28,680

I lead the team that is responsible for

1165

00:50:33,650 --> 00:50:30,720

the autonomous navigation of dark

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00:50:36,109 --> 00:50:33,660

spacecraft to his and asteroid the dart

1167

00:50:38,270 --> 00:50:36,119

mission is the first planetary defense

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00:50:40,730 --> 00:50:38,280

test mission our goal is to hit an

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00:50:43,430 --> 00:50:40,740

impact an asteroid to understand and

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00:50:45,470 --> 00:50:43,440

study the momentum transfer so that we

1171

00:50:47,690 --> 00:50:45,480

could potentially later down the road if

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00:50:49,549 --> 00:50:47,700

we need to deflect an ashtray on its way

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00:50:51,349 --> 00:50:49,559

to Earth I am the smart nav lead

1174

00:50:53,510 --> 00:50:51,359

smartness stands for small body

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00:50:55,309 --> 00:50:53,520

maneuvering autonomous real-time

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00:50:57,770 --> 00:50:55,319

navigation so right now I always

1177

00:51:00,290 --> 00:50:57,780

consider it sort of like the brains and

1178

00:51:03,829 --> 00:51:00,300

so the camera Draco is essentially the

1179

00:51:06,349 --> 00:51:03,839

eyes the algorithm has to identify and

1180

00:51:08,750 --> 00:51:06,359

hit the target in the field of view of

1181

00:51:10,670 --> 00:51:08,760

the camera we're flying at over six

1182

00:51:13,790 --> 00:51:10,680

kilometers a second it essentially

1183

00:51:15,770 --> 00:51:13,800

occupies a pixel up until possibly 30

1184

00:51:17,750 --> 00:51:15,780

minutes prior to impact and then that's

1185

00:51:19,309 --> 00:51:17,760

where everything it's really exciting

1186

00:51:21,650 --> 00:51:19,319

and so you could just imagine if it was

1187

00:51:23,569 --> 00:51:21,660

a human being joysticking this because

1188

00:51:26,030 --> 00:51:23,579

we don't know for sure what the

1189

00:51:28,510 --> 00:51:26,040

asteroids look like our simulation gives

1190

00:51:31,609 --> 00:51:28,520

us the capability to use different

1191

00:51:34,010 --> 00:51:31,619

asteroid shapes and asteroid objects to

1192

00:51:36,290 --> 00:51:34,020

see that our smart nav algorithm

1193

00:51:39,049 --> 00:51:36,300

performs against all these unknowns

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00:51:41,450 --> 00:51:39,059

we're super excited and nervous as well

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00:51:43,910 --> 00:51:41,460

I love pushing the boundaries and I love

1196

00:51:45,829 --> 00:51:43,920

the application of math into real world

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00:51:48,170 --> 00:51:45,839

problems you know and then seeing it

1198

00:51:51,170 --> 00:51:48,180

actually doing its thing to me there's

1199

00:51:53,329 --> 00:51:51,180

nothing cooler than that

1200

00:51:55,490 --> 00:51:53,339

if you're just joining us we're about 24

1201
00:51:57,890 --> 00:51:55,500
minutes away from dart's Impact with

1202
00:52:00,470 --> 00:51:57,900
asteroid dimorphos the spacecraft is

1203
00:52:02,870 --> 00:52:00,480
flying at four miles per second guidance

1204
00:52:05,750 --> 00:52:02,880
only by its autonomous navigation system

1205
00:52:08,150 --> 00:52:05,760
I'm here now with Tom Statler DART

1206
00:52:11,270 --> 00:52:08,160
program scientist and

1207
00:52:13,130 --> 00:52:11,280
Don graninger Dart impact modeler Tom

1208
00:52:15,710 --> 00:52:13,140
Dunn thank you for being here with us

1209
00:52:17,329 --> 00:52:15,720
tonight we have some good news happening

1210
00:52:19,190 --> 00:52:17,339
but we did just hear about the

1211
00:52:20,870 --> 00:52:19,200
challenges that Dart is facing tonight

1212
00:52:23,089 --> 00:52:20,880
so don could you tell us a little bit

1213
00:52:25,069 --> 00:52:23,099

about what kind of uncertainty exists

1214

00:52:26,870 --> 00:52:25,079

with a mission like this yeah sure so

1215

00:52:28,670 --> 00:52:26,880

what's really interesting is that until

1216

00:52:29,809 --> 00:52:28,680

just you know even a few minutes ago I

1217

00:52:31,910 --> 00:52:29,819

feel like we're just getting our first

1218

00:52:33,290 --> 00:52:31,920

looks at dimorphos and so we have

1219

00:52:35,270 --> 00:52:33,300

absolutely no idea what we're going to

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00:52:37,069 --> 00:52:35,280

be impacting into it could be covered in

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00:52:38,390 --> 00:52:37,079

rubble pile it could be just a

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00:52:40,309 --> 00:52:38,400

completely different shape we don't know

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00:52:41,270 --> 00:52:40,319

until we really right up on that impact

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00:52:43,549 --> 00:52:41,280

and that's probably one of our biggest

1225

00:52:46,309 --> 00:52:43,559

uncertainties on this I mean but that's

1226

00:52:49,970 --> 00:52:46,319

what really makes tonight so exciting

1227

00:52:51,770 --> 00:52:49,980

and so Tom could you expand a little bit

1228

00:52:54,290 --> 00:52:51,780

more on how we will use this information

1229

00:52:56,450 --> 00:52:54,300

in the future if all goes successfully

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00:52:58,190 --> 00:52:56,460

well this test is really important to

1231

00:53:00,230 --> 00:52:58,200

understand how we might be able to

1232

00:53:02,329 --> 00:53:00,240

deflect asteroids in the future and when

1233

00:53:05,089 --> 00:53:02,339

we when we measure the change in the

1234

00:53:07,670 --> 00:53:05,099

binary period of dimorphos and we will

1235

00:53:09,890 --> 00:53:07,680

understand how the asteroid reacted to

1236

00:53:12,290 --> 00:53:09,900

our kinetic impact and then as we get

1237

00:53:14,990 --> 00:53:12,300

deeper understanding into exactly what

1238

00:53:16,609 --> 00:53:15,000

the geology was of that asteroid that's

1239

00:53:19,309 --> 00:53:16,619

the basic information that's going to

1240

00:53:21,650 --> 00:53:19,319

help us refine our physics understanding

1241

00:53:24,230 --> 00:53:21,660

of asteroids and our ability to compute

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00:53:26,150 --> 00:53:24,240

and predict like Don does runs these

1243

00:53:29,210 --> 00:53:26,160

fantastic codes and extend this

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00:53:31,250 --> 00:53:29,220

knowledge to really have a good plan for

1245

00:53:33,410 --> 00:53:31,260

how we might react if we ever do

1246

00:53:35,690 --> 00:53:33,420

discover a dangerous asteroid that is

1247

00:53:38,870 --> 00:53:35,700

different from dimorphos well hey I mean

1248

00:53:40,910 --> 00:53:38,880

it's better to be safe than sorry so it

1249

00:53:42,890 --> 00:53:40,920

sounds like y'all's party is really just

1250

00:53:45,290 --> 00:53:42,900

getting started after impact so

1251
00:53:48,530 --> 00:53:45,300
congratulations on your success so far

1252
00:53:51,230 --> 00:53:48,540
it has been a pleasure thank you so much

1253
00:53:53,809 --> 00:53:51,240
now any second we should be learning if

1254
00:53:56,089 --> 00:53:53,819
Dart has a Precision lock on its Target

1255
00:53:59,030 --> 00:53:56,099
dimorphos this is a key Milestone

1256
00:54:01,910 --> 00:53:59,040
critical to ignite success Samson

1257
00:54:03,770 --> 00:54:01,920
Mission operations must be buzzing how

1258
00:54:06,589 --> 00:54:03,780
are things going

1259
00:54:09,349 --> 00:54:06,599
hey Tahira the energy is indeed electric

1260
00:54:10,790 --> 00:54:09,359
and the team is hyper focused you could

1261
00:54:12,890 --> 00:54:10,800
hear a pin drop right now as we're

1262
00:54:15,049 --> 00:54:12,900
coming up on the critical 20-minute mark

1263
00:54:16,970 --> 00:54:15,059

from Impact and expecting to hear from

1264

00:54:19,549 --> 00:54:16,980

the team that smartnav is now Precision

1265

00:54:21,049 --> 00:54:19,559

locked onto the amorphos which means

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00:54:23,690 --> 00:54:21,059

that smart nav will be tracking only

1267

00:54:25,670 --> 00:54:23,700

dimorphos from here on out why smart

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00:54:27,470 --> 00:54:25,680

have a smart nap has full confidence

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00:54:29,750 --> 00:54:27,480

that we're in fact tracking dimorphos

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00:54:32,329 --> 00:54:29,760

and so we want to remove any confusion

1271

00:54:34,010 --> 00:54:32,339

by continuing to track didimos because

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00:54:35,569 --> 00:54:34,020

what could happen with ditamos is that

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00:54:37,370 --> 00:54:35,579

its shape could be such that there's a

1274

00:54:39,109 --> 00:54:37,380

lot of shadowing which could make it

1275

00:54:42,170 --> 00:54:39,119

seem in the Draco imagery like multiple

1276
00:54:44,030 --> 00:54:42,180
blobs as the team likes to call them and

1277
00:54:46,370 --> 00:54:44,040
we don't want smart and optimistic any

1278
00:54:48,170 --> 00:54:46,380
of those blobs for dimorphos so we're

1279
00:54:49,549 --> 00:54:48,180
doing away with tracking did almost all

1280
00:54:52,549 --> 00:54:49,559
together we are waiting for that

1281
00:54:53,990 --> 00:54:52,559
announcement as of precision lock

1282
00:54:56,030 --> 00:54:54,000
um all right we're about to hear from

1283
00:54:58,790 --> 00:54:56,040
the team

1284
00:55:24,710 --> 00:54:58,800
actually we have some time

1285
00:55:29,690 --> 00:55:26,630
and now let's listen in for that

1286
00:55:31,790 --> 00:55:29,700
confirmation of precision block

1287
00:56:10,910 --> 00:55:31,800
all right we expect to be in Precision

1288
00:56:24,109 --> 00:56:13,069

we are waiting for a confirmation of

1289

00:56:30,290 --> 00:56:26,809

MSC this is sn5

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00:56:32,590 --> 00:56:30,300

go ahead sn5 we are Precision locked and

1291

00:56:43,670 --> 00:56:32,600

still tracking dimorphous yes

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00:56:46,130 --> 00:56:43,680

[Applause]

1293

00:56:50,630 --> 00:56:46,140

we are soon gonna hear again from Elena

1294

00:56:56,630 --> 00:56:53,750

DT Mark so this was our last Milestone

1295

00:56:58,609 --> 00:56:56,640

at this point we're going to be uh

1296

00:57:00,530 --> 00:56:58,619

working towards dimorphous I expect

1297

00:57:04,549 --> 00:57:00,540

we're going to do some Burns we're about

1298

00:57:12,530 --> 00:57:04,559

4 500 miles away from dinamos and

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00:57:17,150 --> 00:57:15,470

ground stuff for one of C2 price joining

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00:57:19,910 --> 00:57:17,160

me now to react to that bit of good news

1301

00:57:22,130 --> 00:57:19,920

is Lindley Johnson NASA's planetary

1302

00:57:24,170 --> 00:57:22,140

defense officer Lindley you heard Lena

1303

00:57:26,390 --> 00:57:24,180

we are now Precision locked a lot of

1304

00:57:28,609 --> 00:57:26,400

Applause things are looking good

1305

00:57:31,130 --> 00:57:28,619

and we are now headed for the moment of

1306

00:57:33,109 --> 00:57:31,140

truth how are you holding up oh I'm

1307

00:57:35,510 --> 00:57:33,119

doing great uh you know the team's been

1308

00:57:38,510 --> 00:57:35,520

doing great the spacecraft's doing great

1309

00:57:42,470 --> 00:57:38,520

uh it's uh this Precision lock you know

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00:57:43,910 --> 00:57:42,480

is is absolute uh milestone for the

1311

00:57:46,849 --> 00:57:43,920

terminal phase here we've got a good

1312

00:57:48,829 --> 00:57:46,859

signature on dimorphous uh so the

1313

00:57:52,010 --> 00:57:48,839

spacecraft has what it needs to guide

1314

00:57:54,950 --> 00:57:52,020

itself in uh for the impact uh here in

1315

00:57:58,190 --> 00:57:54,960

uh 17 almost 18 18 minutes so we're

1316

00:58:01,010 --> 00:57:58,200

doing great yep so close

1317

00:58:02,870 --> 00:58:01,020

um very exciting moments ahead now we

1318

00:58:04,910 --> 00:58:02,880

can't say this enough and I know you've

1319

00:58:09,049 --> 00:58:04,920

said it so many times but it's worth

1320

00:58:10,849 --> 00:58:09,059

repeating for viewers that dimorphos is

1321

00:58:13,430 --> 00:58:10,859

not a threat to Earth

1322

00:58:16,910 --> 00:58:13,440

nor will it be after impact right no

1323

00:58:19,130 --> 00:58:16,920

that's right uh this uh asteroid system

1324

00:58:21,410 --> 00:58:19,140

is still almost seven million miles away

1325

00:58:23,930 --> 00:58:21,420

from the earth uh it's at its closest

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00:58:25,730 --> 00:58:23,940

point in the order right now too or so

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00:58:27,950 --> 00:58:25,740

from this point forward is going to be

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00:58:31,309 --> 00:58:27,960

moving away uh from Earth so there's no

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00:58:33,290 --> 00:58:31,319

chance of uh anything uh anything here

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00:58:35,870 --> 00:58:33,300

we've got to look for all the other

1331

00:58:38,150 --> 00:58:35,880

unknown asteroids out there still that's

1332

00:58:40,670 --> 00:58:38,160

not to find what the uh Hazard really is

1333

00:58:43,490 --> 00:58:40,680

thanks so much Lindley I'll catch you on

1334

00:58:44,770 --> 00:58:43,500

the other side of impact oh okay yeah if

1335

00:58:47,030 --> 00:58:44,780

you can

1336

00:58:49,609 --> 00:58:47,040

back to you tiara

1337

00:58:51,770 --> 00:58:49,619

all right thanks Samson it is amazing to

1338

00:58:54,349 --> 00:58:51,780

know that we have a Precision lock on

1339

00:58:56,630 --> 00:58:54,359

Target dimorphos now we have a fun way

1340

00:58:59,030 --> 00:58:56,640

for you to join our mission and it is by

1341

00:59:01,390 --> 00:58:59,040

signing up to be a planetary Defender

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00:59:03,950 --> 00:59:01,400

visit

1343

00:59:07,549 --> 00:59:03,960

bity.com forward slash planetary

1344

00:59:10,490 --> 00:59:07,559

Defender take the quiz and receive a

1345

00:59:12,950 --> 00:59:10,500

certificate like this one now once it's

1346

00:59:15,470 --> 00:59:12,960

official show us on social media using

1347

00:59:18,289 --> 00:59:15,480

the hashtag planetarydefender

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00:59:20,569 --> 00:59:18,299

now telescopes from around the world are

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00:59:23,390 --> 00:59:20,579

observing tonight's impact to ensure

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00:59:25,190 --> 00:59:23,400

that how successful we are at changing

1351

00:59:27,470 --> 00:59:25,200

the asteroids orbit they'll be measuring

1352

00:59:30,230 --> 00:59:27,480

this success and you may be wondering

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00:59:32,690 --> 00:59:30,240

how does that happen let's go behind the

1354

00:59:35,089 --> 00:59:32,700

scenes with astronomer Nick moskovitz at

1355

00:59:37,609 --> 00:59:35,099

Lowell Observatory home to the telescope

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00:59:39,410 --> 00:59:37,619

that discovered Pluto to see what's in

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00:59:44,630 --> 00:59:39,420

store for Dart

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00:59:49,190 --> 00:59:47,630

this is Lowell Observatory Lowell is one

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00:59:50,990 --> 00:59:49,200

of many observatories around the world

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00:59:53,450 --> 00:59:51,000

that will be observing the dark impact

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00:59:55,730 --> 00:59:53,460

NASA's first ever planetary defense test

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00:59:57,950 --> 00:59:55,740

mission to see how much a spacecraft

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00:59:59,990 --> 00:59:57,960

impact can deflect an asteroid in its

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01:00:02,270 --> 01:00:00,000

orbit this is where Pluto was discovered

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01:00:04,490 --> 01:00:02,280

and we are still doing research in all

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01:00:06,770 --> 01:00:04,500

areas of astronomy today so let's go

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01:00:10,370 --> 01:00:06,780

check it out

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01:00:13,490 --> 01:00:12,230

this is the Pluto telescope the

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01:00:16,490 --> 01:00:13,500

telescope that was used to discover

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01:00:17,930 --> 01:00:16,500

Pluto almost 100 years ago so here we

1371

01:00:21,549 --> 01:00:17,940

are at the Clark telescope this is

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01:00:23,450 --> 01:00:21,559

reversible is at to observe Mars

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01:00:25,010 --> 01:00:23,460

let's head on over to the Lowell

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01:00:26,690 --> 01:00:25,020

Discovery telescope about an hour south

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01:00:28,190 --> 01:00:26,700

of Flagstaff which is where we are going

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01:00:30,049 --> 01:00:28,200

to be collecting data for the dart

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01:00:30,890 --> 01:00:30,059

Mission the reason we're all the way out

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01:00:32,809 --> 01:00:30,900

here

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01:00:38,580 --> 01:00:32,819

in the middle of this Forest is that we

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01:00:38,590 --> 01:00:43,250

[Music]

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01:00:47,750 --> 01:00:45,530

and this is the lull Discovery telescope

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01:00:49,730 --> 01:00:47,760

this is what a 4.3 meter telescope looks

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01:00:52,370 --> 01:00:49,740

like this is what we will be using to

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01:00:54,829 --> 01:00:52,380

study didimos and dimorphos in the days

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01:00:56,870 --> 01:00:54,839

and weeks after dark impact the dark

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01:00:58,849 --> 01:00:56,880

spacecraft will be hitting an asteroid

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01:01:00,950 --> 01:00:58,859

called dimorphos a special because it's

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01:01:02,569 --> 01:01:00,960

a binary asteroid which means a

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01:01:04,609 --> 01:01:02,579

satellite around a larger asteroid

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01:01:06,770 --> 01:01:04,619

called dinimos and dart will actually be

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01:01:09,890 --> 01:01:06,780

hitting dimorphos and what we will be

1392

01:01:12,589 --> 01:01:09,900

measuring is how much Dart changes the

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01:01:15,049 --> 01:01:12,599

orbit of dimorphos around didimos so

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01:01:17,510 --> 01:01:15,059

this is an important test for planetary

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01:01:19,490 --> 01:01:17,520

defense mitigation strategies in case we

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01:01:20,750 --> 01:01:19,500

ever have to do this for real the Lowell

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01:01:22,430 --> 01:01:20,760

Discovery telescope is one of many

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01:01:25,069 --> 01:01:22,440

telescopes around the world which will

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01:01:27,289 --> 01:01:25,079

be used to study didimos and dimorphos

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01:01:28,970 --> 01:01:27,299

it's really a global coordinated effort

1401

01:01:31,370 --> 01:01:28,980

and what we're looking at here is a

1402

01:01:33,530 --> 01:01:31,380

large 4.3 meter primary mirror that's in

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01:01:35,450 --> 01:01:33,540

the middle of the telescope tube here up

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01:01:37,130 --> 01:01:35,460

at the top is a secondary mirror the

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01:01:38,569 --> 01:01:37,140

secondary mirror up top there is what is

1406

01:01:40,069 --> 01:01:38,579

focusing the light down onto the

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01:01:42,349 --> 01:01:40,079

instruments and allows us to take images

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01:01:43,190 --> 01:01:42,359

with the camera that's located down at

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01:01:45,289 --> 01:01:43,200

the bottom

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01:01:47,270 --> 01:01:45,299

this is maybe one of my favorite hidden

1411

01:01:49,910 --> 01:01:47,280

rooms at the telescope we're like

1412

01:01:52,250 --> 01:01:49,920

standing inside the telescope underneath

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01:01:55,549 --> 01:01:52,260

the telescope 100 times above your head

1414

01:01:57,049 --> 01:01:55,559

held up by this let's just go

1415

01:01:59,329 --> 01:01:57,059

is this sort of as you can see the

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01:02:01,609 --> 01:01:59,339

highest peak around here it's just over

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01:02:03,289 --> 01:02:01,619

8 000 feet come up here for Sunset

1418

01:02:07,309 --> 01:02:03,299

because we have sun setting right there

1419

01:02:09,349 --> 01:02:07,319

it's perfect for Dart we're going to be

1420

01:02:10,670 --> 01:02:09,359

collecting images of the night sky and

1421

01:02:11,690 --> 01:02:10,680

typically an observer would be here in

1422

01:02:12,770 --> 01:02:11,700

front of one of these consoles

1423

01:02:14,569 --> 01:02:12,780

controlling the instrument and taking

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01:02:16,670 --> 01:02:14,579

images like these as they're coming in

1425

01:02:18,890 --> 01:02:16,680

off the telescope Dart is really a sort

1426
01:02:20,450 --> 01:02:18,900
of before and after experiment we need

1427
01:02:22,190 --> 01:02:20,460
to understand the system before the

1428
01:02:23,750 --> 01:02:22,200
spacecraft intentionally impacts and

1429
01:02:25,910 --> 01:02:23,760
then we have to understand what the

1430
01:02:27,289 --> 01:02:25,920
outcome of that impact event is as we

1431
01:02:29,690 --> 01:02:27,299
watch from the Earth

1432
01:02:32,210 --> 01:02:29,700
dimorphos will pass in front of dinimos

1433
01:02:33,890 --> 01:02:32,220
and behind what we will be doing with

1434
01:02:36,230 --> 01:02:33,900
those images is measuring the brightness

1435
01:02:37,970 --> 01:02:36,240
of didimosa in those images and looking

1436
01:02:40,130 --> 01:02:37,980
at how that brightness changes and those

1437
01:02:42,829 --> 01:02:40,140
dips in brightness allow us to measure

1438
01:02:45,289 --> 01:02:42,839

when these eclipse happen and measure

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01:02:47,089 --> 01:02:45,299

the orbit period of dimorphos and so you

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01:02:49,190 --> 01:02:47,099

have essentially a fixed star field here

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01:02:50,809 --> 01:02:49,200

all the white dots or stars of different

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01:02:52,970 --> 01:02:50,819

brightness and moving through this field

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01:02:54,710 --> 01:02:52,980

is did emotion dimorphos which again we

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01:02:57,230 --> 01:02:54,720

can't distinguish them as discrete

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01:02:59,630 --> 01:02:57,240

points of light but we have a small

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01:03:02,510 --> 01:02:59,640

object moving through the field of view

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01:03:05,030 --> 01:03:02,520

so after impact we will then be able to

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01:03:07,250 --> 01:03:05,040

go back and start observing intensely

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01:03:09,170 --> 01:03:07,260

looking for those neutral events in

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01:03:11,270 --> 01:03:09,180

those Eclipse events of dimorphos

1451
01:03:13,430 --> 01:03:11,280
passing in front of and behind didimos

1452
01:03:15,170 --> 01:03:13,440
and on each one of these frames we're

1453
01:03:16,910 --> 01:03:15,180
measuring the brightness to assess

1454
01:03:19,069 --> 01:03:16,920
whether or not it's undergoing one of

1455
01:03:21,410 --> 01:03:19,079
these events where dimorphism is

1456
01:03:23,870 --> 01:03:21,420
passing in front of or behind and using

1457
01:03:26,750 --> 01:03:23,880
those to determine the orbit period of

1458
01:03:28,190 --> 01:03:26,760
dimorphous around the demos this is such

1459
01:03:29,569 --> 01:03:28,200
a cool experience government of such a

1460
01:03:31,250 --> 01:03:29,579
singular experiment using the

1461
01:03:33,650 --> 01:03:31,260
ground-based telescopes like this one

1462
01:03:35,630 --> 01:03:33,660
and others around the world to to watch

1463
01:03:38,270 --> 01:03:35,640

the systems and see how it's affected by

1464

01:03:39,890 --> 01:03:38,280

this impact event because that's really

1465

01:03:42,650 --> 01:03:39,900

what's going to give us the answer to

1466

01:03:44,630 --> 01:03:42,660

what did Dart do at the time of impact

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01:03:46,130 --> 01:03:44,640

and that will be exciting to see how

1468

01:03:50,510 --> 01:03:46,140

that evolves over the days and weeks

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01:03:57,049 --> 01:03:53,530

all right after a 10-month

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01:04:01,010 --> 01:03:57,059

470 million mile Journey Dart is just

1471

01:04:03,049 --> 01:04:01,020

minutes away from making history a truly

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01:04:04,970 --> 01:04:03,059

Global effort this Mission has brought

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01:04:08,630 --> 01:04:04,980

together people from around the world

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01:04:10,430 --> 01:04:08,640

United under one goal to find a way to

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01:04:13,549 --> 01:04:10,440

protect Humanity from a hazardous

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01:04:16,069 --> 01:04:13,559

asteroid if one were ever discovered now

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01:04:18,710 --> 01:04:16,079

usually NASA spacecraft are intended to

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01:04:21,530 --> 01:04:18,720

operate for many years or even decades

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01:04:24,470 --> 01:04:21,540

but not Dart Dart was built to be

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01:04:26,390 --> 01:04:24,480

destroyed Dart is a mission of Firsts

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01:04:29,750 --> 01:04:26,400

proving that a spacecraft can

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01:04:32,569 --> 01:04:29,760

autonomously seek find and approach a

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01:04:34,849 --> 01:04:32,579

Target in space that's so far away we

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01:04:37,549 --> 01:04:34,859

don't even know what it looks like it

1485

01:04:40,010 --> 01:04:37,559

also marks the first time humanity will

1486

01:04:43,309 --> 01:04:40,020

have moved a planetary body in the

1487

01:04:45,710 --> 01:04:43,319

universe I said that correctly now at

1488

01:04:48,349 --> 01:04:45,720

this point the spacecraft is controlling

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01:04:50,569 --> 01:04:48,359

itself making small Maneuvers to ensure

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01:04:53,030 --> 01:04:50,579

it's lined up with its Target

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01:04:55,190 --> 01:04:53,040

Dart is speeding through space and we'll

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01:04:58,370 --> 01:04:55,200

cover the last four miles of its journey

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01:05:00,470 --> 01:04:58,380

in just one second coming up we'll hear

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01:05:03,349 --> 01:05:00,480

the final updates from Mission operators

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01:05:06,829 --> 01:05:03,359

and witness the big moment Live from

1496

01:05:09,289 --> 01:05:06,839

Space Samson you have the best seat in

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01:05:11,870 --> 01:05:09,299

the house how are we looking

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01:05:14,809 --> 01:05:11,880

you're right Sahara front row tickets to

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01:05:17,450 --> 01:05:14,819

the biggest event in town and things are

1500

01:05:19,910 --> 01:05:17,460

looking good we are T minus 10 minutes

1501
01:05:22,370 --> 01:05:19,920
to impact and dart is precision locked

1502
01:05:24,589 --> 01:05:22,380
onto dimorphos and zooming down the home

1503
01:05:26,569 --> 01:05:24,599
stretch now we have a lot to cover in

1504
01:05:29,089 --> 01:05:26,579
the time we have left and I'm thrilled

1505
01:05:31,609 --> 01:05:29,099
to have with me Lori glaze director of

1506
01:05:34,130 --> 01:05:31,619
NASA's planetary science division with

1507
01:05:36,589 --> 01:05:34,140
me for the ride Lori such a pleasure to

1508
01:05:38,710 --> 01:05:36,599
have you oh my gosh I am so excited to

1509
01:05:42,650 --> 01:05:38,720
be here and really happy that we are

1510
01:05:45,470 --> 01:05:42,660
here in this final 10 minutes we are

1511
01:05:48,170 --> 01:05:45,480
almost there while you are just in the

1512
01:05:50,210 --> 01:05:48,180
thick of it with the team up until a few

1513
01:05:53,030 --> 01:05:50,220

minutes ago what is the atmosphere like

1514

01:05:55,309 --> 01:05:53,040

in there I can only imagine

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01:05:58,370 --> 01:05:55,319

it's really it's great I mean they're

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01:06:00,289 --> 01:05:58,380

excited every time there's a marker that

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01:06:02,569 --> 01:06:00,299

we we meet a milestone everyone is

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01:06:05,750 --> 01:06:02,579

cheering and very excited but there's

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01:06:09,049 --> 01:06:05,760

also almost a sense of a calm confidence

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01:06:12,410 --> 01:06:09,059

that with every Milestone everything's

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01:06:14,809 --> 01:06:12,420

going you know as planned uh We've we're

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01:06:16,609 --> 01:06:14,819

found and we locked on the the target as

1523

01:06:18,530 --> 01:06:16,619

planned pretty much at the right time

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01:06:20,809 --> 01:06:18,540

they're looking at the brightness and

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01:06:23,210 --> 01:06:20,819

the reflectivity of the object and and

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01:06:25,250 --> 01:06:23,220

it's more or less what they expected

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01:06:26,990 --> 01:06:25,260

um everything is performing as expected

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01:06:29,329 --> 01:06:27,000

and so there's a lot of cheering and

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01:06:31,130 --> 01:06:29,339

happiness but just kind of a sense hey

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01:06:33,170 --> 01:06:31,140

you know we've been planning for this a

1531

01:06:35,150 --> 01:06:33,180

long time and we've got it we've got

1532

01:06:37,370 --> 01:06:35,160

this we've been planning for this we can

1533

01:06:39,950 --> 01:06:37,380

hear Applause left and right throughout

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01:06:41,809 --> 01:06:39,960

this evening all good signs

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01:06:44,270 --> 01:06:41,819

what are they focused on at this

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01:06:46,849 --> 01:06:44,280

critical juncture Lori it is basically

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01:06:48,529 --> 01:06:46,859

years of planning 10 months on making

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01:06:51,230 --> 01:06:48,539

sure we get to this point after launch

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01:06:52,910 --> 01:06:51,240

and they've been juggling a lot is there

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01:06:55,849 --> 01:06:52,920

anything in particular that they are

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01:06:57,710 --> 01:06:55,859

glued on as we enter this moment as Ruth

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01:06:59,990 --> 01:06:57,720

yeah so the main thing they've been

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01:07:01,309 --> 01:07:00,000

watching is you know getting to that

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01:07:04,010 --> 01:07:01,319

point where we could do the Precision

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01:07:06,589 --> 01:07:04,020

lock where we had good enough signal

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01:07:08,870 --> 01:07:06,599

coming back and enough confidence in

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01:07:11,450 --> 01:07:08,880

where we are relative to dimorphous that

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01:07:13,670 --> 01:07:11,460

we could really do that Precision lock

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01:07:15,829 --> 01:07:13,680

onto the Target and we it's hands off

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01:07:18,230 --> 01:07:15,839

now right we're not you know the the

1551

01:07:20,809 --> 01:07:18,240

spacecraft is going to drive itself and

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01:07:22,549 --> 01:07:20,819

really focused on that uh you know that

1553

01:07:24,710 --> 01:07:22,559

point where they could be Precision

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01:07:27,430 --> 01:07:24,720

locked and they're also thinking about

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01:07:30,410 --> 01:07:27,440

looking at and reassessing continuously

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01:07:31,970 --> 01:07:30,420

what's the probability of Miss right as

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01:07:34,010 --> 01:07:31,980

you get closer and closer that probably

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01:07:37,010 --> 01:07:34,020

should get smaller and smaller and it is

1559

01:07:39,410 --> 01:07:37,020

it's getting it looks really really good

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01:07:41,029 --> 01:07:39,420

right now wow it sounds like the game of

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01:07:43,730 --> 01:07:41,039

thinking of what wondering really

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01:07:46,130 --> 01:07:43,740

doesn't end until that last second comes

1563

01:07:47,750 --> 01:07:46,140

to pass so they can do a lot of great up

1564

01:07:50,029 --> 01:07:47,760

into this point we just have to see this

1565

01:07:52,190 --> 01:07:50,039

through to these last few minutes

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01:07:54,170 --> 01:07:52,200

well in a few minutes speaking of that

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01:07:56,690 --> 01:07:54,180

all the years of thinking of doing

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01:07:57,710 --> 01:07:56,700

planning reacting is finally coming to

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01:07:59,329 --> 01:07:57,720

an end

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01:08:01,250 --> 01:07:59,339

from five minutes to impact there will

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01:08:02,930 --> 01:08:01,260

be no more opportunity to send any

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01:08:05,089 --> 01:08:02,940

commands to Smart nav in the mission

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01:08:08,089 --> 01:08:05,099

operations center the team will be

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01:08:09,890 --> 01:08:08,099

purely Spectators the data coming in and

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01:08:12,890 --> 01:08:09,900

they are just wetting it out like the

1576

01:08:14,690 --> 01:08:12,900

rest of us for the first time

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01:08:16,490 --> 01:08:14,700

Lori this is huge both from an

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01:08:18,349 --> 01:08:16,500

operational perspective and also an

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01:08:21,050 --> 01:08:18,359

emotional one isn't it

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01:08:23,030 --> 01:08:21,060

yeah it is I mean you can imagine

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01:08:24,650 --> 01:08:23,040

um you know I've you've been I'm really

1582

01:08:26,570 --> 01:08:24,660

excited about it and I've been engaged

1583

01:08:28,130 --> 01:08:26,580

with this mission for you know the last

1584

01:08:30,709 --> 01:08:28,140

four and a half years that I've been in

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01:08:33,950 --> 01:08:30,719

my current role but this team has been

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01:08:36,470 --> 01:08:33,960

working so hard on this for so many

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01:08:39,470 --> 01:08:36,480

years and they've put so much of their

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01:08:41,990 --> 01:08:39,480

energy and their time into this and so

1589

01:08:44,689 --> 01:08:42,000

much planning and rehearsing and you

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01:08:47,269 --> 01:08:44,699

know it's uh it's a it's a really big

1591

01:08:49,249 --> 01:08:47,279

event for them to like you say just

1592

01:08:50,809 --> 01:08:49,259

counting down and watching at this point

1593

01:08:52,309 --> 01:08:50,819

there's not much else they can do but

1594

01:08:54,590 --> 01:08:52,319

watch and see the fruits of all their

1595

01:08:56,390 --> 01:08:54,600

work yeah I've gotten to know many

1596

01:08:58,249 --> 01:08:56,400

members of this team over the past few

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01:09:00,829 --> 01:08:58,259

months and you know there's a lot of

1598

01:09:02,809 --> 01:09:00,839

alpha individuals on there right you

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01:09:04,970 --> 01:09:02,819

need a good mix of alpha people to make

1600

01:09:07,610 --> 01:09:04,980

sure we get to this point

1601
01:09:08,990 --> 01:09:07,620
I can imagine I can only imagine what

1602
01:09:10,970 --> 01:09:09,000
they're feeling perhaps like you said a

1603
01:09:12,829 --> 01:09:10,980
little bit of relief a little bit of can

1604
01:09:15,050 --> 01:09:12,839
I let this go I've worked for this one

1605
01:09:16,970 --> 01:09:15,060
so long and now we can no longer do

1606
01:09:19,130 --> 01:09:16,980
anything that moment is just coming up

1607
01:09:21,289 --> 01:09:19,140
yeah but I think they're ready I think

1608
01:09:22,849 --> 01:09:21,299
they're they're at that point you know I

1609
01:09:25,370 --> 01:09:22,859
was you're you're getting some shots of

1610
01:09:27,110 --> 01:09:25,380
Elena Adams the uh the systems engineer

1611
01:09:30,410 --> 01:09:27,120
and you can see the excitement in her

1612
01:09:33,709 --> 01:09:30,420
voice she's so ready to to show the

1613
01:09:35,870 --> 01:09:33,719

success of this Mission this is awesome

1614

01:09:38,749 --> 01:09:35,880

five minutes out which we're coming up

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01:09:40,910 --> 01:09:38,759

on now the team will be hands off two

1616

01:09:42,410 --> 01:09:40,920

and a half minutes from Impact smart now

1617

01:09:45,050 --> 01:09:42,420

which has been guiding the spacecraft

1618

01:09:47,870 --> 01:09:45,060

autonomously for four hours we'll also

1619

01:09:50,150 --> 01:09:47,880

step away stop any Maneuvers Dart will

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01:09:52,669 --> 01:09:50,160

simply be coasting to its fate this is

1621

01:09:54,950 --> 01:09:52,679

Blockbuster stuff Lorraine oh yeah oh

1622

01:09:58,850 --> 01:09:56,270

are there

1623

01:10:01,189 --> 01:09:58,860

yeah I have front row tickets and we are

1624

01:10:02,810 --> 01:10:01,199

very soon about to open up these

1625

01:10:05,150 --> 01:10:02,820

Airwaves in the mission operations

1626
01:10:07,310 --> 01:10:05,160
center we'll stay plugged in all the way

1627
01:10:09,530 --> 01:10:07,320
through impact remember at this point

1628
01:10:12,050 --> 01:10:09,540
five minutes out no more commands see

1629
01:10:14,209 --> 01:10:12,060
smart nav will be possible the team is

1630
01:10:25,729 --> 01:10:14,219
watching it just like you and me and the

1631
01:10:25,739 --> 01:10:34,910
foreign

1632
01:10:37,970 --> 01:10:36,649
all right we've reached five minutes

1633
01:10:40,189 --> 01:10:37,980
from Impact

1634
01:10:42,890 --> 01:10:40,199
the final command opportunity to

1635
01:10:45,050 --> 01:10:42,900
smartness has passed and the team is

1636
01:10:47,750 --> 01:10:45,060
simply watching that data streaming just

1637
01:10:53,750 --> 01:10:51,169
also remember there is a 30 second 38

1638
01:10:55,370 --> 01:10:53,760

second leg for the data to travel to

1639

01:10:57,890 --> 01:10:55,380

earth and also an additional few more

1640

01:11:05,570 --> 01:10:57,900

seconds for image processing important

1641

01:11:09,770 --> 01:11:07,790

you should be hearing

1642

01:11:13,850 --> 01:11:09,780

the chatter in the mission operations

1643

01:11:19,370 --> 01:11:16,610

this is Dart MSC NDT MOG five minutes

1644

01:11:21,430 --> 01:11:19,380

still impact five minutes till impact we

1645

01:11:24,770 --> 01:11:21,440

are at

1646

01:11:30,890 --> 01:11:24,780

1100 miles away

1647

01:11:37,310 --> 01:11:33,890

also our window for sending any commands

1648

01:11:45,110 --> 01:11:39,550

contingency is done

1649

01:11:49,250 --> 01:11:47,030

this is a great vibe in that machine

1650

01:11:51,229 --> 01:11:49,260

recreation center right now Lori

1651
01:11:53,750 --> 01:11:51,239
it really is

1652
01:11:55,270 --> 01:11:53,760
um they are so excited

1653
01:11:57,350 --> 01:11:55,280
and this is

1654
01:11:59,510 --> 01:11:57,360
I'm honing and looking at these images

1655
01:12:01,970 --> 01:11:59,520
as we get closer and closer and you look

1656
01:12:04,189 --> 01:12:01,980
at didimos and just you're starting to

1657
01:12:07,490 --> 01:12:04,199
see the this physical body appear there

1658
01:12:09,950 --> 01:12:07,500
it's incredible just incredible still

1659
01:12:13,070 --> 01:12:09,960
having a hard time believing this is

1660
01:12:15,410 --> 01:12:13,080
real energy coming in near real time

1661
01:12:18,229 --> 01:12:15,420
yeah yeah but you've been watching it

1662
01:12:19,850 --> 01:12:18,239
over the last you know 30 45 minutes go

1663
01:12:21,709 --> 01:12:19,860

from just being a collection of

1664

01:12:24,050 --> 01:12:21,719

individual pixels and now you can

1665

01:12:27,169 --> 01:12:24,060

actually see the shape and the the

1666

01:12:28,790 --> 01:12:27,179

shading and texture of of didimos and

1667

01:12:31,370 --> 01:12:28,800

we're going to see that same thing with

1668

01:12:33,229 --> 01:12:31,380

dimorphous as we get closer and closer

1669

01:12:35,510 --> 01:12:33,239

this is so cool

1670

01:12:40,870 --> 01:12:35,520

never before super images of the

1671

01:12:48,470 --> 01:12:43,370

it's amazing

1672

01:12:53,810 --> 01:12:50,810

the team is standing just recognizing

1673

01:12:56,630 --> 01:12:53,820

this moment years in the making

1674

01:12:58,189 --> 01:12:56,640

it is really nice to see them relax a

1675

01:12:59,689 --> 01:12:58,199

little bit get off from those computers

1676

01:13:01,490 --> 01:12:59,699

that they've been glued to and just

1677

01:13:03,709 --> 01:13:01,500

appreciate this moment that's coming

1678

01:13:07,729 --> 01:13:03,719

yeah and they've earned this

1679

01:13:13,130 --> 01:13:10,070

so cool Lori we hit another major

1680

01:13:15,110 --> 01:13:13,140

Milestone we are now two minutes and a

1681

01:13:17,630 --> 01:13:15,120

half from Impact and smart nav has

1682

01:13:19,970 --> 01:13:17,640

stopped maneuvering the spacecraft Dart

1683

01:13:22,570 --> 01:13:19,980

is now coasting toward dimorphos and we

1684

01:13:25,310 --> 01:13:22,580

hope into the history books

1685

01:13:27,770 --> 01:13:25,320

absolutely this will be I'm sure you've

1686

01:13:31,370 --> 01:13:27,780

heard it many times tonight Humanity's

1687

01:13:34,189 --> 01:13:31,380

first ever ever attempt at trying to

1688

01:13:37,189 --> 01:13:34,199

move another Celestial body and also our

1689

01:13:39,169 --> 01:13:37,199

first attempt ever to execute a mission

1690

01:13:40,729 --> 01:13:39,179

in your sole purpose of planetary

1691

01:13:43,550 --> 01:13:40,739

defense so

1692

01:13:45,350 --> 01:13:43,560

what an exciting exciting time yeah and

1693

01:13:47,030 --> 01:13:45,360

I'm starting to see dimorphous start to

1694

01:13:48,470 --> 01:13:47,040

come into view there you can see it's

1695

01:13:51,350 --> 01:13:48,480

starting to take shape I'm starting to

1696

01:13:52,930 --> 01:13:51,360

see individual Boulders on didymos

1697

01:13:56,290 --> 01:13:52,940

um unbelievable

1698

01:13:58,910 --> 01:13:56,300

unbelievable Clarity of images

1699

01:13:59,730 --> 01:13:58,920

distance is going to be about 17 meters

1700

01:14:06,709 --> 01:13:59,740

all right

1701

01:14:09,169 --> 01:14:06,719

[Applause]

1702

01:14:11,630 --> 01:14:09,179

all honors on this event space

1703

01:14:13,189 --> 01:14:11,640

telescopes ground telescopes from every

1704

01:14:17,570 --> 01:14:13,199

continent on Earth

1705

01:14:20,810 --> 01:14:19,189

two minutes out

1706

01:14:23,810 --> 01:14:20,820

does not look like one single Rock

1707

01:14:27,709 --> 01:14:23,820

tonight oh boy we're getting close

1708

01:14:31,130 --> 01:14:27,719

14 000 miles per hour Laurie 14 000

1709

01:14:33,709 --> 01:14:31,140

miles per hour and remember you know uh

1710

01:14:36,410 --> 01:14:33,719

45 minutes ago 55 minutes ago we

1711

01:14:39,770 --> 01:14:36,420

couldn't even resolve this this object

1712

01:14:42,709 --> 01:14:39,780

in space and now we are you can see us

1713

01:14:44,750 --> 01:14:42,719

zeroing in right on Target and we're now

1714

01:14:48,350 --> 01:14:44,760

dropping the clock and we'll go by loss

1715

01:14:49,610 --> 01:14:48,360

of signal to confirm impact right

1716

01:14:51,350 --> 01:14:49,620

yes

1717

01:14:53,149 --> 01:14:51,360

imagine we'll get that loss of signal

1718

01:14:54,070 --> 01:14:53,159

and then we'll hear from Lena Adams

1719

01:14:57,370 --> 01:14:54,080

again

1720

01:15:00,430 --> 01:14:57,380

letting us know

1721

01:15:04,250 --> 01:15:00,440

like I'll be a crystal clear

1722

01:15:05,810 --> 01:15:04,260

signal I think so I think we're starting

1723

01:15:08,810 --> 01:15:05,820

to see more

1724

01:15:10,669 --> 01:15:08,820

uh more resolution in fact look at that

1725

01:15:13,070 --> 01:15:10,679

didymos has even gone out of the view

1726

01:15:17,990 --> 01:15:13,080

we're now just seeing dimorphous

1727

01:15:22,430 --> 01:15:20,750

oh my goodness look at that looks like

1728

01:15:23,990 --> 01:15:22,440

control systems settling down angular

1729

01:15:24,950 --> 01:15:24,000

rates look really good

1730

01:15:29,090 --> 01:15:24,960

I think we're going to get the

1731

01:15:35,870 --> 01:15:31,370

wow

1732

01:15:39,950 --> 01:15:37,189

starting to see those individual

1733

01:15:43,250 --> 01:15:39,960

Boulders there you can see Shadows

1734

01:15:47,590 --> 01:15:46,669

it's amazing guys oh my goodness look at

1735

01:15:51,770 --> 01:15:47,600

that

1736

01:16:01,550 --> 01:15:53,510

looks to me like we're headed straight

1737

01:16:09,290 --> 01:16:04,550

oh my gosh oh wow

1738

01:16:11,390 --> 01:16:09,300

yeah oh my goodness yeah seven and six

1739

01:16:14,149 --> 01:16:11,400

wow four

1740

01:16:17,030 --> 01:16:14,159

three two

1741

01:16:21,530 --> 01:16:18,890

oh my gosh

1742

01:16:22,460 --> 01:16:21,540

oh wow you're getting visual

1743

01:16:36,790 --> 01:16:22,470

confirmation

1744

01:16:40,870 --> 01:16:36,800

[Applause]

1745

01:16:42,430 --> 01:16:40,880

in the name of planetary defense

1746

01:16:49,370 --> 01:16:42,440

fantastic

1747

01:16:53,930 --> 01:16:51,470

what a moment very few words can really

1748

01:17:04,070 --> 01:16:53,940

capture this moment this is beautiful to

1749

01:17:09,290 --> 01:17:06,950

um what a team one team and what an

1750

01:17:11,209 --> 01:17:09,300

accomplishment team a few weeks ago they

1751

01:17:12,890 --> 01:17:11,219

had their last dress rehearsal

1752

01:17:14,570 --> 01:17:12,900

they were getting emotional at the

1753

01:17:15,890 --> 01:17:14,580

dresser or something like this is this

1754

01:17:17,149 --> 01:17:15,900

is crazy we're getting emotional this is

1755

01:17:20,330 --> 01:17:17,159

not the real thing I can only imagine

1756

01:17:22,430 --> 01:17:20,340

what they are feeling right now

1757

01:17:24,169 --> 01:17:22,440

yes

1758

01:17:26,510 --> 01:17:24,179

well you can see them there on screen

1759

01:17:27,740 --> 01:17:26,520

they're all pretty excited

1760

01:17:29,689 --> 01:17:27,750

wow

1761

01:17:31,970 --> 01:17:29,699

[Applause]

1762

01:17:35,030 --> 01:17:31,980

hearing impact the curtains close on

1763

01:17:36,950 --> 01:17:35,040

Draco feed that raw Joy from the team

1764

01:17:39,050 --> 01:17:36,960

years of hard work and the weight of

1765

01:17:51,010 --> 01:17:39,060

expectation lifted off their shoulders

1766

01:17:57,590 --> 01:17:54,530

this is beautiful and Lori really this

1767

01:17:58,729 --> 01:17:57,600

is a huge moment for the mission lots

1768

01:18:01,310 --> 01:17:58,739

more work

1769

01:18:03,649 --> 01:18:01,320

needs to happen in the days absolutely

1770

01:18:05,390 --> 01:18:03,659

now you know as I always say it's one of

1771

01:18:07,910 --> 01:18:05,400

my favorite missions now is when the

1772

01:18:10,850 --> 01:18:07,920

science starts it just starts now now

1773

01:18:13,910 --> 01:18:10,860

that we've impacted now we're going to

1774

01:18:15,910 --> 01:18:13,920

see for real how effective we were we're

1775

01:18:19,430 --> 01:18:15,920

going to train all of those ground-based

1776

01:18:21,890 --> 01:18:19,440

telescopes on the Diddy most dimorphous

1777

01:18:25,490 --> 01:18:21,900

system and we're gonna make measurements

1778

01:18:27,649 --> 01:18:25,500

that will help us determine just how

1779

01:18:30,709 --> 01:18:27,659

what its orbit looks like now relative

1780

01:18:32,390 --> 01:18:30,719

to what it was before so gonna be great

1781

01:18:33,830 --> 01:18:32,400

very cool

1782

01:18:35,870 --> 01:18:33,840

all right this is when science

1783

01:18:38,450 --> 01:18:35,880

engineering and

1784

01:18:40,310 --> 01:18:38,460

a great purpose planetary defense come

1785

01:18:42,290 --> 01:18:40,320

together and

1786

01:18:43,910 --> 01:18:42,300

you know it makes a magical Moment Like

1787

01:18:45,530 --> 01:18:43,920

This yeah

1788

01:18:48,470 --> 01:18:45,540

absolutely and you can see so many

1789

01:18:52,070 --> 01:18:48,480

people there that have made this happen

1790

01:18:53,630 --> 01:18:52,080

the team of APL Engineers that have

1791

01:18:56,689 --> 01:18:53,640

really

1792

01:18:58,669 --> 01:18:56,699

poured their souls into this mission

1793

01:19:00,050 --> 01:18:58,679

Lori any last words to mark this

1794

01:19:01,550 --> 01:19:00,060

historic moment

1795

01:19:06,410 --> 01:19:01,560

oh

1796

01:19:10,490 --> 01:19:06,420

we're we're embarking on a new era of

1797

01:19:13,430 --> 01:19:10,500

humankind an Aaron which we potentially

1798

01:19:15,590 --> 01:19:13,440

have the capability to protect ourselves

1799

01:19:18,410 --> 01:19:15,600

from something like a dangerous

1800

01:19:19,729 --> 01:19:18,420

hazardous asteroid impact what an

1801

01:19:21,530 --> 01:19:19,739

amazing thing we've never had that

1802

01:19:23,709 --> 01:19:21,540

capability before thank you so much

1803

01:19:30,850 --> 01:19:23,719

Larry those are poignant Last Words

1804

01:19:38,209 --> 01:19:35,030

wow I mean what an exciting day for the

1805

01:19:42,709 --> 01:19:38,219

dart team and in in case you're keeping

1806

01:19:44,689 --> 01:19:42,719

score Humanity one asteroids zero now

1807

01:19:47,390 --> 01:19:44,699

I'm here with Nancy Chabot Dart

1808

01:19:49,910 --> 01:19:47,400

coordination lead Nancy talk about a

1809

01:19:52,189 --> 01:19:49,920

moment to catch on camera what is going

1810

01:19:54,229 --> 01:19:52,199

through your head right now I mean I'm

1811

01:19:56,149 --> 01:19:54,239

just thinking wow that was amazing

1812

01:19:58,310 --> 01:19:56,159

wasn't it I mean those images you just

1813

01:19:59,810 --> 01:19:58,320

got closer and closer and sort of we've

1814

01:20:02,510 --> 01:19:59,820

been planning for this moment we've been

1815

01:20:04,310 --> 01:20:02,520

talking about it for years at APL here

1816

01:20:06,649 --> 01:20:04,320

we've been working on this since 2015.

1817

01:20:07,610 --> 01:20:06,659

and I knew I've been talking this is the

1818

01:20:09,470 --> 01:20:07,620

images that we're going to see and

1819

01:20:11,030 --> 01:20:09,480

they're going to be spectacular and I

1820

01:20:12,830 --> 01:20:11,040

think even then they exceeded my

1821

01:20:14,810 --> 01:20:12,840

expectations of just zooming in like

1822

01:20:16,850 --> 01:20:14,820

that and uh you know it really is just

1823

01:20:19,370 --> 01:20:16,860

such the team accomplishment and to get

1824

01:20:21,169 --> 01:20:19,380

to this moment over so many years

1825

01:20:23,030 --> 01:20:21,179

and I don't have to talk about it as

1826
01:20:25,189 --> 01:20:23,040
coming anymore it's happened now we

1827
01:20:28,490 --> 01:20:25,199
haven't done this it's happened and it

1828
01:20:31,490 --> 01:20:28,500
is just incredible that as humans like

1829
01:20:33,229 --> 01:20:31,500
we have done this we did this and Nancy

1830
01:20:35,270 --> 01:20:33,239
do you have anything you'd like to say

1831
01:20:36,770 --> 01:20:35,280
to the teams who made tonight possible

1832
01:20:38,090 --> 01:20:36,780
oh I mean I don't need to say anything

1833
01:20:40,669 --> 01:20:38,100
to the teams because I know everybody

1834
01:20:42,590 --> 01:20:40,679
like me is really proud to be part of

1835
01:20:44,209 --> 01:20:42,600
this right proud of this thing that

1836
01:20:46,310 --> 01:20:44,219
we've been working on for years you know

1837
01:20:48,350 --> 01:20:46,320
and even before 2015 internationally

1838
01:20:50,330 --> 01:20:48,360

people wanted to do this people wanted

1839

01:20:51,950 --> 01:20:50,340

to take this first test and then we

1840

01:20:54,709 --> 01:20:51,960

finally did Partners across the United

1841

01:20:56,510 --> 01:20:54,719

States we have actually uh 28 countries

1842

01:20:58,010 --> 01:20:56,520

represented on our investigation team of

1843

01:21:00,709 --> 01:20:58,020

scientists telescopes on all seven

1844

01:21:02,630 --> 01:21:00,719

continents everybody doing their part to

1845

01:21:05,630 --> 01:21:02,640

make this moment happen

1846

01:21:07,189 --> 01:21:05,640

um I know I'm uh I'm really honored to

1847

01:21:09,530 --> 01:21:07,199

be on this team and I know other people

1848

01:21:11,990 --> 01:21:09,540

on the team feel the same way as you

1849

01:21:14,030 --> 01:21:12,000

should Nancy and I mean there's a lot to

1850

01:21:17,149 --> 01:21:14,040

celebrate here tonight and so now that

1851

01:21:19,669 --> 01:21:17,159

we have confirmed impact can you let us

1852

01:21:21,830 --> 01:21:19,679

know what's next for this mission

1853

01:21:25,390 --> 01:21:21,840

well I mean I think um I'm still taking

1854

01:21:30,709 --> 01:21:28,669

uh and we and this was a really hard

1855

01:21:32,390 --> 01:21:30,719

technology demonstration to hit a small

1856

01:21:35,209 --> 01:21:32,400

asteroid we've never seen before and do

1857

01:21:37,250 --> 01:21:35,219

it in such spectacular fashion

1858

01:21:38,689 --> 01:21:37,260

um but I know other scientists on the

1859

01:21:40,189 --> 01:21:38,699

team like me are already pointing at

1860

01:21:42,050 --> 01:21:40,199

those images being like did you see that

1861

01:21:43,550 --> 01:21:42,060

Boulder did you see that smooth area did

1862

01:21:46,370 --> 01:21:43,560

you see the shape what does that mean

1863

01:21:48,590 --> 01:21:46,380

and lychee cube is like flying by right

1864

01:21:50,270 --> 01:21:48,600

about now they're close approach like

1865

01:21:51,729 --> 01:21:50,280

taking images and they're storing them

1866

01:21:54,229 --> 01:21:51,739

and we'll get those in the next days

1867

01:21:55,610 --> 01:21:54,239

telescopes here and in space are looking

1868

01:21:57,229 --> 01:21:55,620

they're looking at the brightening of

1869

01:21:59,270 --> 01:21:57,239

the rock that's thrown off from that

1870

01:22:01,310 --> 01:21:59,280

spectacular Collision that we saw and

1871

01:22:02,990 --> 01:22:01,320

this is going to go on for weeks and so

1872

01:22:04,669 --> 01:22:03,000

there's still a lot of excitement to

1873

01:22:06,410 --> 01:22:04,679

come but uh nothing to take away from

1874

01:22:07,850 --> 01:22:06,420

this moment yeah this is just the

1875

01:22:09,709 --> 01:22:07,860

beginning it looks like everybody is

1876
01:22:12,410 --> 01:22:09,719
celebrating here in Mission operations I

1877
01:22:15,950 --> 01:22:12,420
think I just saw Bill Nye there and so

1878
01:22:18,470 --> 01:22:15,960
it is a huge day for this team but also

1879
01:22:20,450 --> 01:22:18,480
for Humanity you know Nancy you

1880
01:22:22,729 --> 01:22:20,460
mentioned earlier about about some of

1881
01:22:23,750 --> 01:22:22,739
the international collaborations and

1882
01:22:26,689 --> 01:22:23,760
Could you

1883
01:22:29,090 --> 01:22:26,699
um give us an idea on kind of the scope

1884
01:22:31,010 --> 01:22:29,100
of dart's mission right it's not just us

1885
01:22:32,750 --> 01:22:31,020
in the United States that's focusing on

1886
01:22:34,729 --> 01:22:32,760
this so can you expand a little on that

1887
01:22:36,950 --> 01:22:34,739
yeah I mean planetary defense is really

1888
01:22:39,290 --> 01:22:36,960

an international issue we are all on

1889

01:22:40,910 --> 01:22:39,300

this planet together right yeah so and I

1890

01:22:43,130 --> 01:22:40,920

think it's been so great for this

1891

01:22:45,790 --> 01:22:43,140

mission to really support and embrace

1892

01:22:48,110 --> 01:22:45,800

that planetary planetary International

1893

01:22:50,510 --> 01:22:48,120

cooperation for planetary defense so

1894

01:22:52,850 --> 01:22:50,520

that we can maximize what we learn and

1895

01:22:54,709 --> 01:22:52,860

uh this idea came about from

1896

01:22:56,870 --> 01:22:54,719

International scientists talking to each

1897

01:22:58,850 --> 01:22:56,880

other working together you know in order

1898

01:23:00,290 --> 01:22:58,860

to make this moment happen for NASA's

1899

01:23:03,350 --> 01:23:00,300

planetary defense coordination office

1900

01:23:05,270 --> 01:23:03,360

building the spacecraft here at APL but

1901

01:23:07,970 --> 01:23:05,280

really uh scientists around the world

1902

01:23:10,070 --> 01:23:07,980

are ready to get studied what could we

1903

01:23:11,330 --> 01:23:10,080

do to dimorphos and but more importantly

1904

01:23:13,130 --> 01:23:11,340

what does that mean for potentially

1905

01:23:15,290 --> 01:23:13,140

applying this in the future I mean Dart

1906

01:23:17,630 --> 01:23:15,300

really is just the start it's just the

1907

01:23:19,130 --> 01:23:17,640

first planetary defense test mission it

1908

01:23:21,050 --> 01:23:19,140

was spectacular and it's accomplished

1909

01:23:22,370 --> 01:23:21,060

and will figure out how effective it was

1910

01:23:24,229 --> 01:23:22,380

that's really what we're going to learn

1911

01:23:26,390 --> 01:23:24,239

in the next weeks to come all right we

1912

01:23:28,010 --> 01:23:26,400

hit this asteroid now how effective was

1913

01:23:29,870 --> 01:23:28,020

that at deflecting it and what would

1914

01:23:32,750 --> 01:23:29,880

that mean for using it yeah there's

1915

01:23:35,510 --> 01:23:32,760

still so much to unpackage here and so

1916

01:23:37,610 --> 01:23:35,520

we have a special guest who is wondering

1917

01:23:41,570 --> 01:23:37,620

you know more of what's next for this

1918

01:23:47,630 --> 01:23:44,030

hey everyone I'm Danny Hanson American

1919

01:23:49,370 --> 01:23:47,640

paralympic grower and hydro athlete and

1920

01:23:51,649 --> 01:23:49,380

first I would like to congratulate the

1921

01:23:53,689 --> 01:23:51,659

entire dart team on crossing the finish

1922

01:23:56,209 --> 01:23:53,699

line so congratulations

1923

01:23:59,149 --> 01:23:56,219

and with that here's my question

1924

01:24:01,189 --> 01:23:59,159

now the dart has impacted how will you

1925

01:24:04,550 --> 01:24:01,199

know if the spacecraft has actually

1926

01:24:07,310 --> 01:24:04,560

changed the asteroid's orbit

1927

01:24:09,169 --> 01:24:07,320

it's a good question yeah I mean so this

1928

01:24:11,810 --> 01:24:09,179

is a double asteroid system so all we've

1929

01:24:13,490 --> 01:24:11,820

done here actually is uh is changed

1930

01:24:16,189 --> 01:24:13,500

slightly how dimorphos goes around

1931

01:24:17,750 --> 01:24:16,199

dynamos right and the the telescopes on

1932

01:24:20,689 --> 01:24:17,760

the earth have studied this for years so

1933

01:24:22,790 --> 01:24:20,699

we knew it used to be 11 hours and 55

1934

01:24:24,229 --> 01:24:22,800

minutes what is it going to be now and

1935

01:24:25,669 --> 01:24:24,239

so the telescopes are going to measure

1936

01:24:27,410 --> 01:24:25,679

that period change and they're so good

1937

01:24:29,390 --> 01:24:27,420

at this they've done it for decades

1938

01:24:30,770 --> 01:24:29,400

already to get us to that point and

1939

01:24:32,570 --> 01:24:30,780

they're going to work for the next weeks

1940

01:24:33,890 --> 01:24:32,580

and make that measurement and when we

1941

01:24:36,110 --> 01:24:33,900

have it we're going to be sure to share

1942

01:24:37,850 --> 01:24:36,120

it with everybody to see how much we did

1943

01:24:40,669 --> 01:24:37,860

deflect this asteroid with the dart

1944

01:24:42,169 --> 01:24:40,679

Collision wow well Nancy I mean it's

1945

01:24:44,270 --> 01:24:42,179

time for you to celebrate so

1946

01:24:46,729 --> 01:24:44,280

congratulations on everything tonight

1947

01:24:49,490 --> 01:24:46,739

and go dark oh go dark this was

1948

01:24:51,709 --> 01:24:49,500

spectacular yes and so we have Samson

1949

01:24:53,810 --> 01:24:51,719

standing by in Mission operations with

1950

01:24:55,970 --> 01:24:53,820

two very special guests let's hop over

1951

01:24:58,189 --> 01:24:55,980

there and see what's going on

1952

01:25:00,229 --> 01:24:58,199

thanks Tahira I have the pleasure of

1953

01:25:04,430 --> 01:25:00,239

introducing NASA administrator Bill

1954

01:25:07,610 --> 01:25:04,440

Nelson who has a special message for us

1955

01:25:11,510 --> 01:25:07,620

hey congratulations boy the dart team

1956

01:25:14,630 --> 01:25:11,520

you really did this one very well

1957

01:25:17,270 --> 01:25:14,640

it's been a successful completion of the

1958

01:25:19,910 --> 01:25:17,280

first part of the world's first

1959

01:25:22,610 --> 01:25:19,920

planetary defense test

1960

01:25:25,130 --> 01:25:22,620

and there were years of hard work there

1961

01:25:27,530 --> 01:25:25,140

was a lot of innovation and creativity

1962

01:25:30,470 --> 01:25:27,540

that went into this mission

1963

01:25:33,290 --> 01:25:30,480

and I believe it's going to teach us how

1964

01:25:35,750 --> 01:25:33,300

one day to protect our own planet from

1965

01:25:38,209 --> 01:25:35,760

an incoming asteroid

1966

01:25:40,790 --> 01:25:38,219

I really look forward to learning all

1967

01:25:44,510 --> 01:25:40,800

about what's happening from the

1968

01:25:48,229 --> 01:25:44,520

observatories so they can tell us about

1969

01:25:51,470 --> 01:25:48,239

the changes in this asteroid's orbit

1970

01:25:55,970 --> 01:25:51,480

so thank you to this international team

1971

01:26:00,470 --> 01:25:55,980

we are showing that planetary defense is

1972

01:26:05,169 --> 01:26:00,480

a global Endeavor and it is very

1973

01:26:09,950 --> 01:26:07,729

all right

1974

01:26:12,290 --> 01:26:09,960

that was eloquently put administrator

1975

01:26:14,570 --> 01:26:12,300

Nelson joining me right now are Deputy

1976

01:26:16,850 --> 01:26:14,580

NASA administrator Pam melroy an APL

1977

01:26:20,149 --> 01:26:16,860

director Ralph Semel thank you both for

1978

01:26:21,950 --> 01:26:20,159

being with me Pam I'll start with you

1979

01:26:25,729 --> 01:26:21,960

um how are you feeling having witnessed

1980

01:26:28,250 --> 01:26:25,739

this historic event up close oh I was

1981

01:26:29,810 --> 01:26:28,260

absolutely elated especially as we saw

1982

01:26:31,669 --> 01:26:29,820

the camera getting closer and just

1983

01:26:33,590 --> 01:26:31,679

realizing all the science that we're

1984

01:26:35,870 --> 01:26:33,600

going to learn but the best part was

1985

01:26:37,370 --> 01:26:35,880

seeing at the end that there was no

1986

01:26:40,729 --> 01:26:37,380

question there was going to be an impact

1987

01:26:42,290 --> 01:26:40,739

and to see the team Overjoyed with their

1988

01:26:45,530 --> 01:26:42,300

success

1989

01:26:48,410 --> 01:26:45,540

what does this mean for NASA what does

1990

01:26:50,750 --> 01:26:48,420

this mean for planetary defense

1991

01:26:53,209 --> 01:26:50,760

NASA works for the benefit of humanity

1992

01:26:55,189 --> 01:26:53,219

so for us it's the ultimate fulfillment

1993

01:26:57,950 --> 01:26:55,199

of our mission to do something like this

1994

01:27:01,850 --> 01:26:57,960

a technology demonstration that who

1995

01:27:04,189 --> 01:27:01,860

knows someday could save our home

1996

01:27:06,290 --> 01:27:04,199

very powerful thank you Pam

1997

01:27:08,629 --> 01:27:06,300

Ralph

1998

01:27:11,030 --> 01:27:08,639

you're in that mock for the moment of

1999

01:27:13,129 --> 01:27:11,040

impact we have seen a lot of major

2000

01:27:15,890 --> 01:27:13,139

milestones in apl's history in space

2001

01:27:17,990 --> 01:27:15,900

we're talking the first flyby of Pluto

2002

01:27:20,390 --> 01:27:18,000

the first mission to orbit Mercury and

2003

01:27:22,370 --> 01:27:20,400

now the first spacecraft to impact an

2004

01:27:23,870 --> 01:27:22,380

asteroid what was the moment like for

2005

01:27:27,890 --> 01:27:23,880

you in there

2006

01:27:31,850 --> 01:27:27,900

it it was it was incredible

2007

01:27:34,390 --> 01:27:31,860

to think to see how so many years of

2008

01:27:38,810 --> 01:27:34,400

hard work and creativity

2009

01:27:41,410 --> 01:27:38,820

resulted in a direct hit of dimorphos

2010

01:27:45,229 --> 01:27:41,420

was just an adrenaline rush

2011

01:27:46,910 --> 01:27:45,239

I'll add that I've been at the lab now

2012

01:27:48,770 --> 01:27:46,920

for quite a few years and I've been

2013

01:27:51,530 --> 01:27:48,780

involved in a lot of missions and

2014

01:27:56,750 --> 01:27:51,540

achievements and never before have I

2015

01:28:00,590 --> 01:27:56,760

been so excited to see a signal go away

2016

01:28:01,910 --> 01:28:00,600

and of image to stop Ralph I'm going to

2017

01:28:04,970 --> 01:28:01,920

give you both a tree right now we're

2018

01:28:06,890 --> 01:28:04,980

going to play that replay of impact on

2019

01:28:11,090 --> 01:28:06,900

our screens right now so we can enjoy it

2020

01:28:15,110 --> 01:28:13,370

rough what is this achina mean for Johns

2021

01:28:18,890 --> 01:28:15,120

Hopkins EPL

2022

01:28:21,649 --> 01:28:18,900

huge right oh it it is huge uh in fact

2023

01:28:24,770 --> 01:28:21,659

if you'll excuse the the pun-like

2024

01:28:28,189 --> 01:28:24,780

statement here the impact on APL as it

2025

01:28:29,570 --> 01:28:28,199

was on dimorphous is immense

2026

01:28:33,530 --> 01:28:29,580

um

2027

01:28:36,610 --> 01:28:33,540

this is exactly the kind of mission that

2028

01:28:40,370 --> 01:28:36,620

APL seeks to do a never before done

2029

01:28:42,530 --> 01:28:40,380

Mission I'd like to thank NASA for

2030

01:28:45,050 --> 01:28:42,540

entrusting us with this Mission and I'd

2031

01:28:48,169 --> 01:28:45,060

like to tell everyone how proud I am of

2032

01:28:50,270 --> 01:28:48,179

the entire dart team and APL for this

2033

01:28:52,129 --> 01:28:50,280

game-changing achievement incredible

2034

01:28:55,189 --> 01:28:52,139

thank you Ralph and we are watching that

2035

01:28:57,250 --> 01:28:55,199

replay right now on our screens and just

2036

01:29:06,910 --> 01:28:57,260

admiring that remarkable achievement

2037

01:29:12,830 --> 01:29:09,950

and now they are real objects to us

2038

01:29:19,070 --> 01:29:15,830

never before seen

2039

01:29:22,370 --> 01:29:19,080

up until today

2040

01:29:26,090 --> 01:29:24,110

you know it's just as good the second

2041

01:29:28,729 --> 01:29:26,100

and third time

2042

01:29:30,050 --> 01:29:28,739

there's that drop off knowingly made

2043

01:29:32,450 --> 01:29:30,060

impact

2044

01:29:34,970 --> 01:29:32,460

fantastic

2045

01:29:36,830 --> 01:29:34,980

well there you have it a lot of Pride

2046

01:29:39,110 --> 01:29:36,840

here tonight along with the promise of

2047

01:29:41,030 --> 01:29:39,120

big things to come and with a successful

2048

01:29:43,129 --> 01:29:41,040

Dart impact that will do it for us today

2049

01:29:45,370 --> 01:29:43,139

at the mission operations center back to

2050

01:29:49,430 --> 01:29:45,380

you Tahira

2051
01:29:52,070 --> 01:29:49,440
amazing I mean today is a fantastic day

2052
01:29:55,310 --> 01:29:52,080
and dart is just the beginning of a

2053
01:29:57,649 --> 01:29:55,320
global planetary defense effort in 2024

2054
01:30:00,110 --> 01:29:57,659
the European space agency's Hera Mission

2055
01:30:02,689 --> 01:30:00,120
will conduct follow-up observations of

2056
01:30:05,030 --> 01:30:02,699
Astro dimorphos and measure in great

2057
01:30:09,580 --> 01:30:05,040
detail dart's kinetic impactor test

2058
01:30:09,590 --> 01:30:16,510
[Music]

2059
01:30:20,629 --> 01:30:19,070
the third theme park is going to be an

2060
01:30:24,610 --> 01:30:20,639
incredible moment something we've been

2061
01:30:28,030 --> 01:30:24,620
looking for for over 17 years

2062
01:30:36,590 --> 01:30:30,709
and I'm leading the era mission for the

2063
01:30:40,250 --> 01:30:38,450

the deflection by Dart will be

2064

01:30:42,110 --> 01:30:40,260

measurable from ground with telescopes

2065

01:30:43,850 --> 01:30:42,120

however only with hair are coming up

2066

01:30:46,129 --> 01:30:43,860

close and inspecting the aster will

2067

01:30:48,169 --> 01:30:46,139

unveil although those parameters that

2068

01:30:50,629 --> 01:30:48,179

will allow us to plan for a deflection

2069

01:30:51,950 --> 01:30:50,639

Mission if one day we need one this is

2070

01:30:53,689 --> 01:30:51,960

the propulsion module of the

2071

01:30:56,149 --> 01:30:53,699

aerospacecraft that will take us to

2072

01:30:58,490 --> 01:30:56,159

Australia dimorphos and will allow us to

2073

01:31:00,770 --> 01:30:58,500

study the results of the dark impact the

2074

01:31:02,810 --> 01:31:00,780

propulsion module is being built here in

2075

01:31:04,669 --> 01:31:02,820

Italy and then will be sent to Germany

2076
01:31:06,649 --> 01:31:04,679
will be mated with the instruments and

2077
01:31:09,890 --> 01:31:06,659
the rest of the spacecraft to be ready

2078
01:31:11,689 --> 01:31:09,900
for launch in October 2024. we started

2079
01:31:13,910 --> 01:31:11,699
designing and conceiving the whole

2080
01:31:15,890 --> 01:31:13,920
mission at the spacecraft about two

2081
01:31:17,930 --> 01:31:15,900
years ago and we have a launch date to

2082
01:31:21,050 --> 01:31:17,940
meet there is a fixed date in October

2083
01:31:22,490 --> 01:31:21,060
2024 so it's challenging but we're

2084
01:31:25,070 --> 01:31:22,500
making it possible

2085
01:31:27,410 --> 01:31:25,080
you could say that Hera is really three

2086
01:31:29,090 --> 01:31:27,420
space missions in one we have one the

2087
01:31:32,390 --> 01:31:29,100
main spacecraft that we are currently

2088
01:31:34,070 --> 01:31:32,400

building at OHP in Germany but we also

2089

01:31:35,629 --> 01:31:34,080

have two smaller missions that are

2090

01:31:39,080 --> 01:31:35,639

spacecraft in their own right those are

2091

01:31:44,689 --> 01:31:39,090

the two cubesats Juventus and Milani

2092

01:31:49,189 --> 01:31:47,090

what's up I'm working on is Milani which

2093

01:31:50,750 --> 01:31:49,199

will perform spectral measurements and

2094

01:31:53,629 --> 01:31:50,760

dust detection following the dark

2095

01:31:56,450 --> 01:31:53,639

impacts my name is Margarita cardi from

2096

01:31:58,189 --> 01:31:56,460

tabac International in Italy we will

2097

01:32:00,470 --> 01:31:58,199

work alongside the other cubesat

2098

01:32:02,570 --> 01:32:00,480

Juventus which will perform kind of an

2099

01:32:04,610 --> 01:32:02,580

x-ray of the asteroid to understand the

2100

01:32:06,770 --> 01:32:04,620

internal structure this is going to be

2101
01:32:09,169 --> 01:32:06,780
the first time that we have cubesats on

2102
01:32:10,850 --> 01:32:09,179
board and isa a spacecraft once we

2103
01:32:13,189 --> 01:32:10,860
arrive there we will be deploying the

2104
01:32:15,890 --> 01:32:13,199
cubesat in order to complement it's a

2105
01:32:18,169 --> 01:32:15,900
scientific observations taking more risk

2106
01:32:20,149 --> 01:32:18,179
while also trying to have higher rewards

2107
01:32:22,430 --> 01:32:20,159
the cube sales will be installed on two

2108
01:32:25,550 --> 01:32:22,440
panels that will be mounted on each side

2109
01:32:28,030 --> 01:32:25,560
of the structure of header

2110
01:32:30,229 --> 01:32:28,040
thank you

2111
01:32:32,510 --> 01:32:30,239
they are just the size of shoe box

2112
01:32:34,910 --> 01:32:32,520
however they contain complex technology

2113
01:32:36,950 --> 01:32:34,920

which will really allow to bring added

2114

01:32:38,270 --> 01:32:36,960

value to the header Mission here in dark

2115

01:32:40,610 --> 01:32:38,280

represents a fantastic International

2116

01:32:42,350 --> 01:32:40,620

collaboration between NASA and Isa the

2117

01:32:43,970 --> 01:32:42,360

two missions complement each other and

2118

01:32:45,649 --> 01:32:43,980

will validate illustrate deflection

2119

01:32:56,510 --> 01:32:45,659

technique that we could use in the

2120

01:33:03,169 --> 01:32:59,990

there you have it tonight we've ushered

2121

01:33:06,770 --> 01:33:03,179

in a new era in planetary defense

2122

01:33:10,330 --> 01:33:06,780

at 7 14 PM Eastern the dart spacecraft

2123

01:33:12,890 --> 01:33:10,340

targeted and collided with dimorphos

2124

01:33:15,350 --> 01:33:12,900

showcasing a technique that we could use

2125

01:33:17,629 --> 01:33:15,360

if a hazardous asteroid is ever on a

2126
01:33:20,629 --> 01:33:17,639
collision course with Earth even though

2127
01:33:22,970 --> 01:33:20,639
impact is over the process of moving the

2128
01:33:25,610 --> 01:33:22,980
asteroid is still going on as we speak

2129
01:33:28,010 --> 01:33:25,620
over the next days and weeks we'll be

2130
01:33:29,990 --> 01:33:28,020
monitoring dimorphos from all angles

2131
01:33:32,450 --> 01:33:30,000
tracking its change in orbit with

2132
01:33:34,970 --> 01:33:32,460
ground-based observatories studying the

2133
01:33:38,090 --> 01:33:34,980
impact crater and ejected materials with

2134
01:33:41,330 --> 01:33:38,100
space telescopes and we may even get

2135
01:33:44,390 --> 01:33:41,340
images from missions like Lucy Hubble

2136
01:33:46,790 --> 01:33:44,400
and Webb now don't miss a beat for

2137
01:33:49,129 --> 01:33:46,800
Mission updates follow asteroid watch on

2138
01:33:52,310 --> 01:33:49,139

Twitter NASA's solar system on Twitter

2139

01:33:54,530 --> 01:33:52,320

and Facebook remember impact was just

2140

01:33:56,870 --> 01:33:54,540

the beginning science and images will be

2141

01:34:00,229 --> 01:33:56,880

rolling in soon so stay tuned to

2142

01:34:03,110 --> 01:34:00,239

nasa.gov forward slash Dart we'll be

2143

01:34:05,390 --> 01:34:03,120

back at 8pm with members of the team to

2144

01:34:07,729 --> 01:34:05,400

capture reactions and celebrate this

2145

01:34:10,970 --> 01:34:07,739

historic event so join us soon on

2146

01:34:13,129 --> 01:34:10,980

nasa.gov forward slash live and for more

2147

01:34:15,110 --> 01:34:13,139

updates on the art of on Artemis and

2148

01:34:16,910 --> 01:34:15,120

rollback operations happening tonight at

2149

01:34:20,990 --> 01:34:16,920

the Kennedy Space Center head to

2150

01:34:23,330 --> 01:34:21,000

nasa.gov artemis-1 thank you for

2151
01:34:25,370 --> 01:34:23,340
watching NASA's coverage of Dart impact

2152
01:34:28,070 --> 01:34:25,380
from Johns Hopkins Applied Physics

2153
01:34:29,930 --> 01:34:28,080
laboratory in Maryland we want to give a

2154
01:34:32,510 --> 01:34:29,940
special thanks to all of our guests for

2155
01:34:34,370 --> 01:34:32,520
participating in today's broadcast and a

2156
01:34:36,770 --> 01:34:34,380
big shout out to my co-host Samson

2157
01:34:42,740 --> 01:34:36,780
Rainey for keeping us keyed into the

2158
01:34:52,480 --> 01:34:50,530
[Music]

2159
01:35:08,730 --> 01:34:52,490
thank you