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NRO Launches Fourth Mission of Proliferated System with NROL-167

NROL-167 follows NROL-113 launched last month

CHANTILLY, Va. — The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), in partnership with U.S. Space Force Space Launch Delta 30 and SpaceX, successfully launched the NROL-167 mission aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket from Space Launch Complex-4 East at Vandenberg Space Force Base in California on Oct. 24, 2024 at 1:13 p.m. EDT.

This mission is the fourth launch of the NRO's proliferated architecture and signifies the NRO's increased launch frequency and delivery on orbit for this program. Today's successful mission follows last month's NROL-113 launch on Sept. 5, and continues NRO's deployment of the U.S. government's largest satellite constellation in history.

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More than half a dozen launches supporting NRO's proliferated architecture are planned for 2024, with additional launches expected through 2028.

Additional information on upcoming launches will be available at NRO.gov/launch.

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