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## **NRO Launches Eighth Proliferated Architecture Mission with NROL-57**

CHANTILLY, Va. — The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), in partnership with U.S. Space Force Space Launch Delta 30 and SpaceX, successfully launched the NROL-57 mission aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket from Space Launch Complex-4 East at Vandenberg Space Force Base in California on March 21, 2025, at 2:49 a.m. EDT.

Today's mission is the eighth overall launch of the NRO's proliferated architecture and second proliferated launch of 2025. The steady deployment of this program is quickly growing the U.S. government's largest and most resilient intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance constellation. This latest proliferated NRO mission continues to increase our space-based intelligence capabilities to address strategic national security needs.

Over the past two years, NRO has launched more than 150 satellites, creating the largest and most capable government constellation on orbit in our nation's history. Continuing with this momentum, 2025 is set to be another dynamic year, with approximately one dozen NRO launches scheduled. Approximately half of these launches will focus on advancing the NRO's proliferated architecture with additional proliferated launches planned through 2029, ensuring sustained growth and innovation.

For more than 60 years, the NRO has successfully met the needs of its U.S. intelligence, military, civil, and allied partners. It remains the world's leader in unique intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance systems. The NRO's next-generation systems will help ensure that the right data is delivered to the right user at the right time, faster than ever before.

Additional information on upcoming launches will be available at [NRO.gov/launch](https://www.nro.gov/launch).

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