

ABOVE AND BEYOND



Who we are?

The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) is a unique agency with a very important mission: Building, launching, and operating our nation's intelligence satellites to protect American national security.

See it, Hear it, Sense it

Different satellites have different functions. Some collect **high-resolution imagery**, some detect signals like **radio waves**, and some use **infrared** and other advanced technologies to identify movement, sounds, and more.

Who do we work with?

Millions of people depend on the NRO for critical information, and our organization is leading the way with some of the nation's top scientists, engineers, astrophysicists, intelligence officers, and military leaders. These talented men and women make us the best in the world at developing and operating satellites.

NRO partners with many agencies including the National Security Agency, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, and the military branches including the U.S. Space Force.

Learn more about us and see our launches at [NRO.gov](https://www.nro.gov)



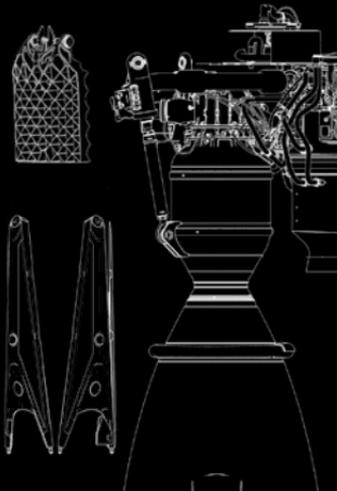
How do we share this?

Data collected from our satellites is used to inform our partners including military, Congress—even the President of the United States—to help them make critical, time-sensitive decisions. This data can be used to predict and monitor natural disasters and inform military operations around the globe.



FAIRING

Satellites are located in the uppermost part of a rocket. This casing **conceals NRO satellites**, also known as the payload.



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