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NROL-65 Lifts Off on August 28

A National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) payload was successfully launched aboard a United Launch Alliance Delta IV Heavy rocket from Space Launch Complex-6, Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB), California, at 11:03 a.m. PDT, on August 28, 2013.

“Today’s launch culminates years of hard work. I am extremely proud of our talented, dedicated, and hardworking NRO, Air Force, and contractor team!” said Colonel James D. Fisher, NRO Office of Space Launch Director.

The launch was dedicated to the brave men and women who serve for our nation’s freedom.

NROL-65 is the first of two NRO launches for 2013. The next NRO launch is on schedule for December from VAFB.



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