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NROL-45 Lifts Off on February 10, 2016

A National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) payload was launched successfully aboard a United Launch Alliance Delta IV rocket from Space Launch Complex-6, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, at 3:40 a.m. PST, on February 10, 2016.

“Early this morning, an incredibly dedicated team representing NRO and its industry partners launched a vital national security satellite into the Pacific sky. I stand in awe of their skill and dedication and express my profound gratitude to each individual who had a part in this achievement,” said Colonel Clint Hunt, USAF, Director, NRO Office of Space Launch.

NROL-45 is the first of three 2016 NRO launches. The next NRO launch is on schedule for mid-2016 from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida.

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