

EARS TO THE UNIVERSE -- Very Large Array (VLA), described as the world's  
most powerful and most sensitive radio telescope, is under construction  
on a remote desert in New Mexico. The Y-shaped configuration of 27 giant  
antennas is expected to gather in many more radio waves from outer space  
and to discriminate among them with much greater precision than devices  
currently in use. The arms are 21, 21 and 19 kilometers in length.  
Completion is scheduled for early 1981. (78-1951-C)

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