

LAUNCH PAD CHECK -- The Space Shuttle Atlantis is rolled out to launch pad 39-B for the beginning of a seven-week series of tests on the facility at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Engineers will checkout new weather protection structures, a variety of special measurements, launch team proficiency exercises, and emergency egress simulations. Launch pad 39-B was used for the first time on January 28, 1986 to launch the ill-fated Challenger which exploded and killed the seven astronauts on board. (86-3207-C)

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