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Successful Minotaur IV+ Launch

LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE, El Segundo, Calif. – A Minotaur IV+ launch of the Tactical Satellite-4 space vehicle successfully took place at 8:49 a.m. PDT today from Alaska Aerospace Corporation's Kodiak Launch Complex.

Developed by the Naval Research Laboratory for the Office of Naval Research and the Operationally Responsive Space Office, TacSat-4 will enable deployed military members utilizing hand-held radios to contact and task the experimental asset even in many, now problematic, mountainous and urban areas.

This marks the first successful launch of the Minotaur IV+ launch vehicle configuration, the fifth successful Minotaur IV launch, and the 23rd success of the Minotaur fleet. The overall launch service and management for the Minotaur IV launch vehicle is provided by the Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center's Space Development and Test Directorate at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

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