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AXAF Completes Tests Under Harsh, Simulated Space Conditions

NASA's most powerful X-ray observatory has successfully completed a month-long series of tests at TRW Space & Electronics Group in Redondo Beach, Calif. The Advanced X-ray Astrophysics Facility (AXAF) was put through rigorous testing under conditions it will encounter in space. Successful completion of thermal vacuum testing marks a significant step in readying the observatory for launch aboard the Space Shuttle in January, according to Fred Wojtalik, Marshall's Observatory Projects Office manager.

'Motivation Techniques' Seminar Set for Noon-2 p.m. Thurs. in Bldg. 4200, Rm. G-13

NASA Chair Position Available At Naval Postgraduate School

Qualified applicants are being sought for the position of Michael J. Smith Professor of Space Systems at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. This one- to two-year assignment begins Sept. 1 and is jointly sponsored by the Naval Postgraduate School and NASA. **Contact:** Mack Blackman, 4-7509.