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Missile Defense Flight Test Conducted

The Missile Defense Agency announced today it was unable to complete a planned flight test after the interceptor missile did not launch from the Ronald Reagan Test Site, Republic of the Marshall Islands, in the central Pacific Ocean. The reason for not launching is under investigation, and program officials are reviewing data to determine the cause. Preliminary indications point to a fault with the ground support equipment, not the interceptor missile.

A target missile carrying a mock warhead was successfully launched from Kodiak, Alaska at 9:22 p.m. (February 13) Alaska Standard Time (1:22 a.m. (February 14) Eastern Standard Time).

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