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Apollo 13 Launch



The mission started as for Apollo 8, 10, 11 and 12 with a spectacular launch of the mighty Saturn V rocket.

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LEGO Mission Control

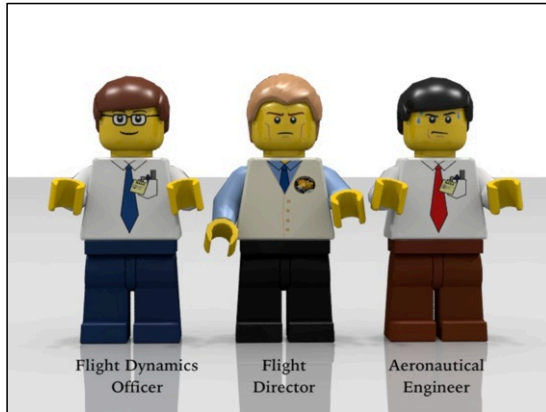


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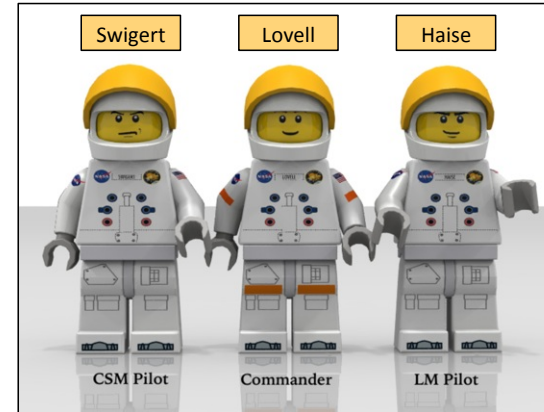
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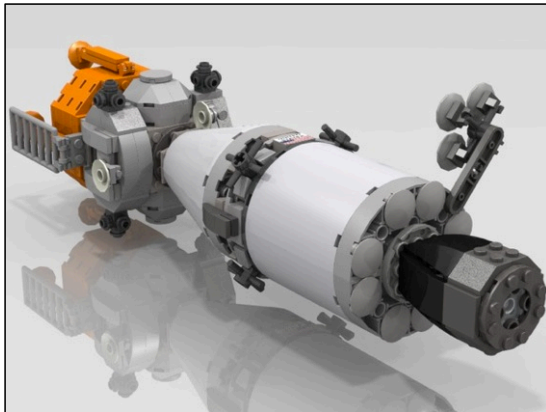
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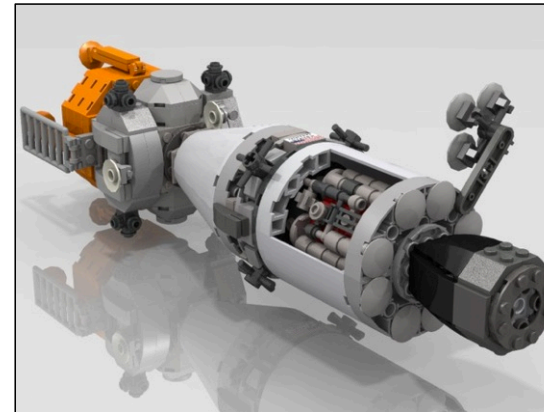
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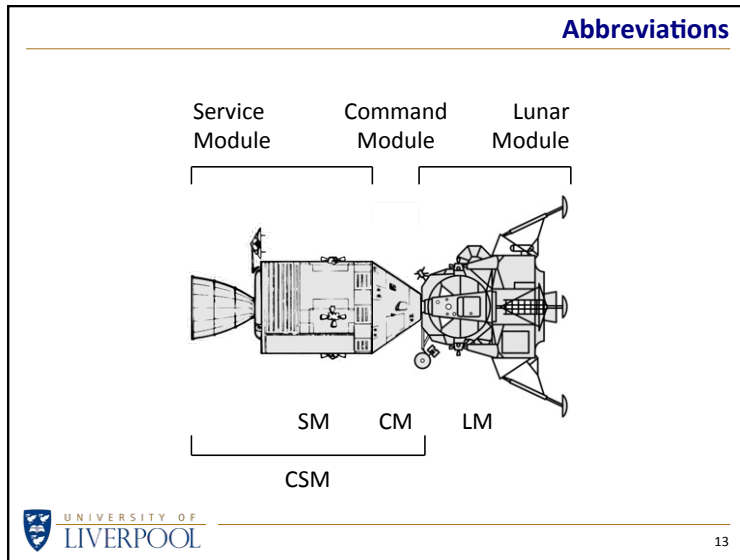
Pre-Explosion



Post-Explosion



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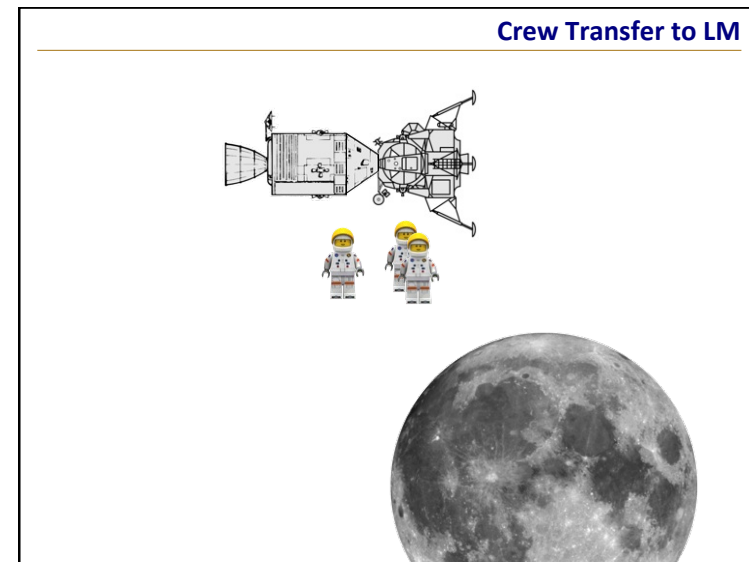
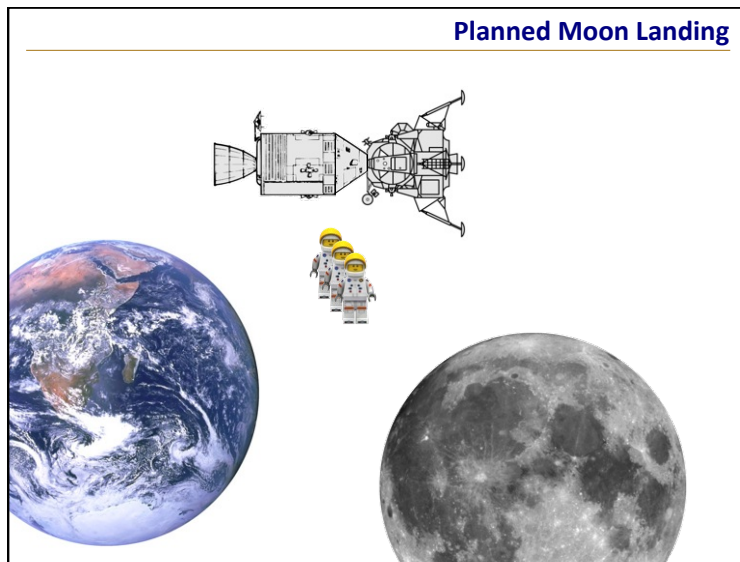
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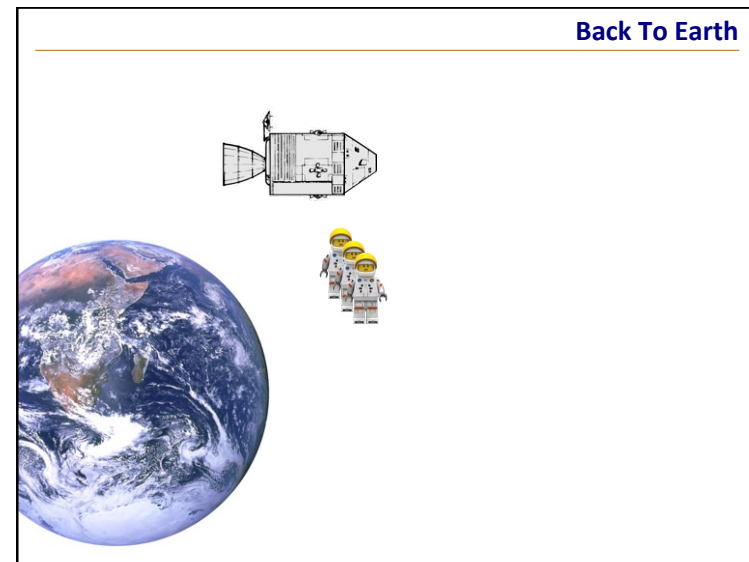
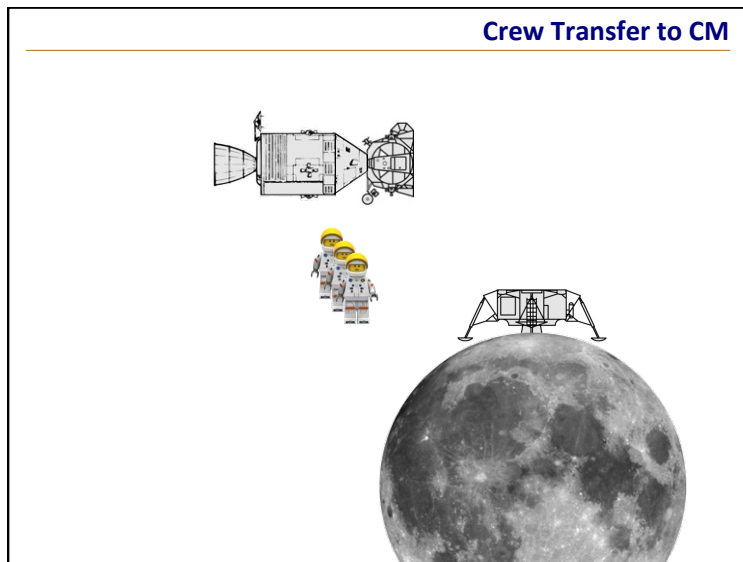
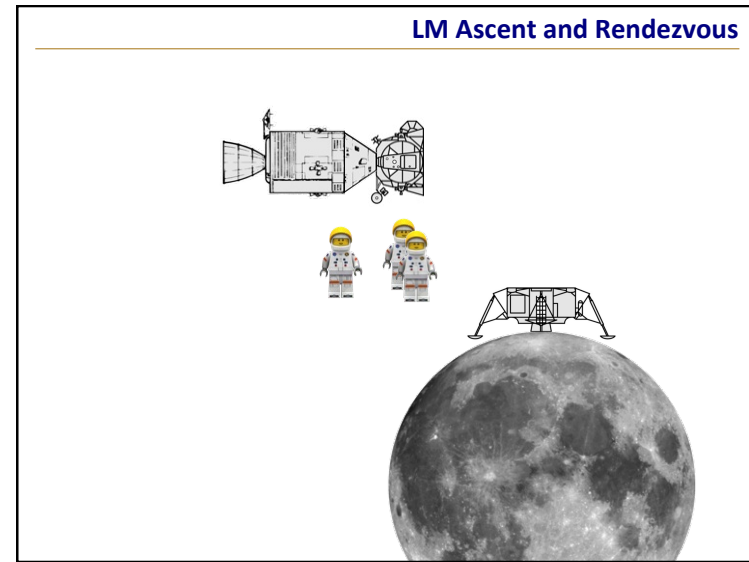
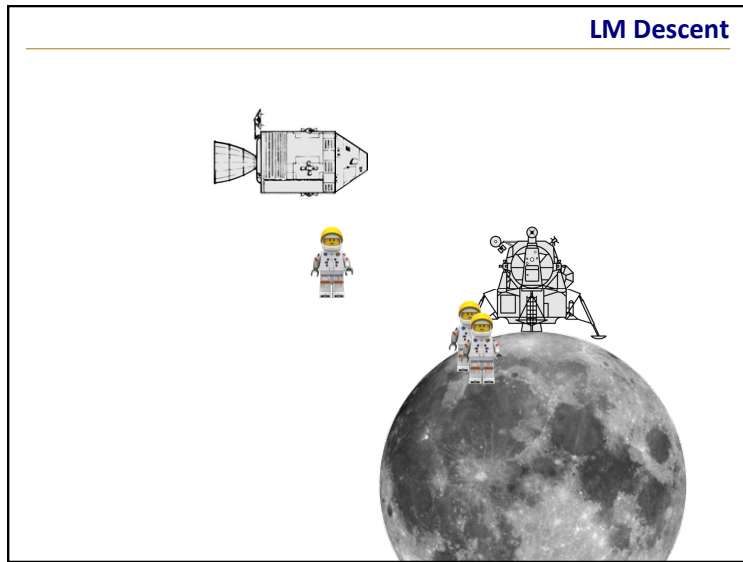
... as it was supposed to happen

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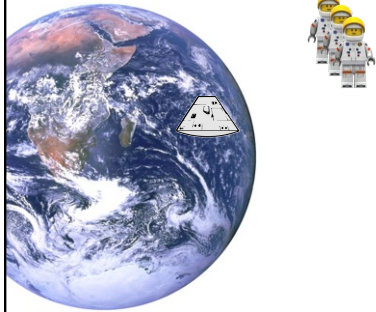


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Splashdown

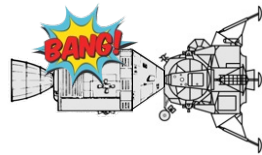


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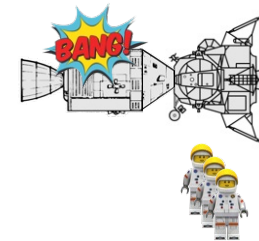
... as it actually happened

Houston, We've Had a Problem



A fan inside one of the oxygen tanks had faulty wiring insulation, so when the tank was stirred a spark caused the oxygen tank to explode, damaging the fuel cells and blowing out a side panel of the SM.

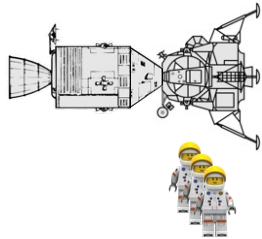
Into the LM Lifeboat



Contingency plans for a three-day flight returning from the Moon with a crippled CSM had been thought about, but Apollo 13 was at least four days from Earth.

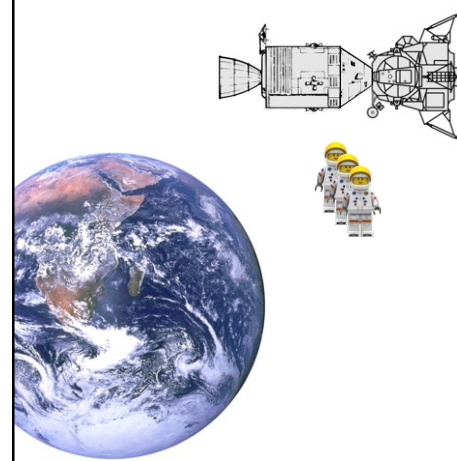
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Survival Mode

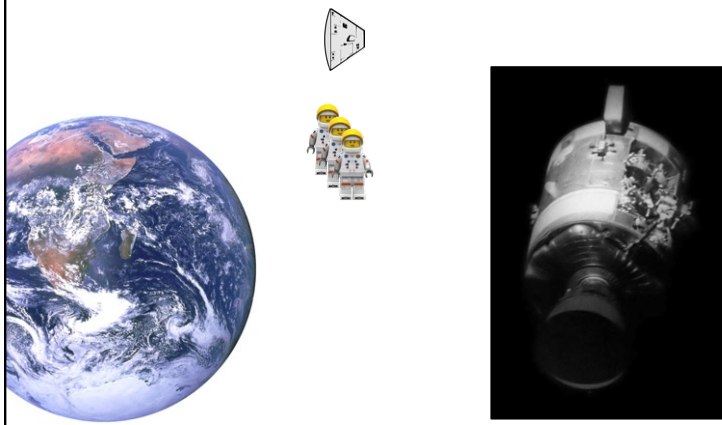


How could they ensure that the remaining oxygen, water and electrical power would last long enough to get them home safely?

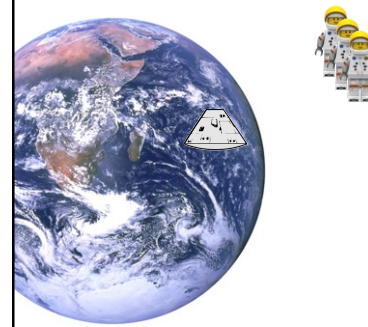
Crew Transfer to CM



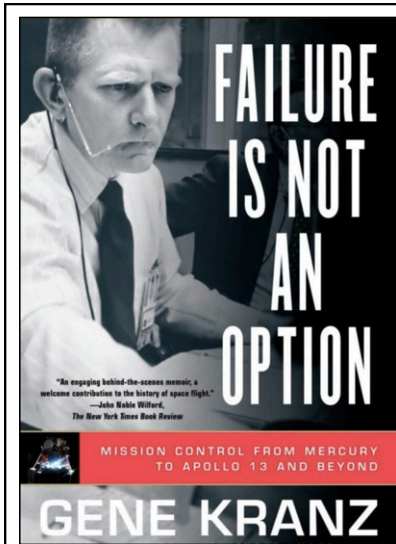
SM and LM Jettisoned



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Gene Kranz

That famous phrase was spoken by actor Ed Harris but not by Kranz himself.

However, Kranz used it for his autobiography because it reflected so succinctly the attitude of those working in Mission Control.

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What Happened To ...?

The Command Module (call sign 'Odyssey') made it safely back to Earth with its three occupants.

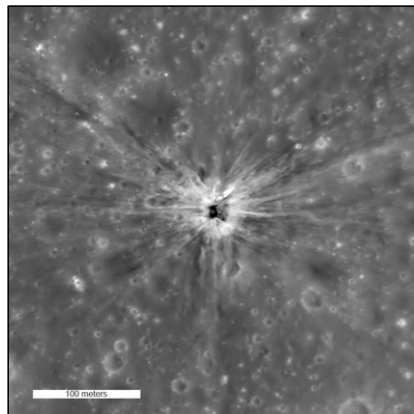
What about the rest of the Apollo hardware?

The third stage of the Saturn V rocket, after it had accelerated the CSM+LM spacecraft towards the Moon, was given one last task to perform ...



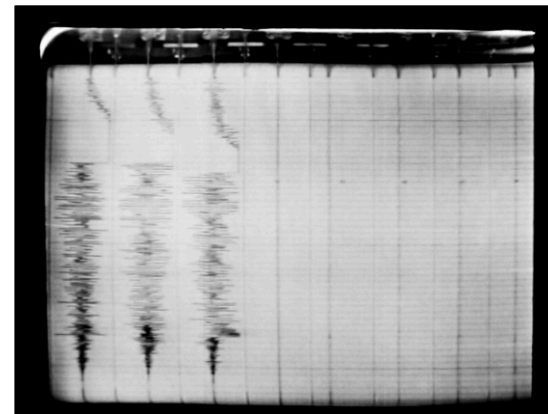
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Saturn S-IVB Impact Site



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Apollo 12 Seismometer



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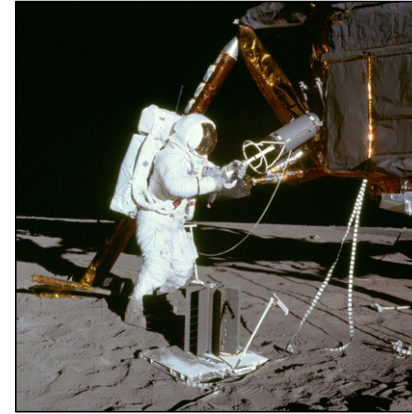
What Happened To Aquarius?

After the Lunar Module (call sign 'Aquarius') was jettisoned it re-entered the Earth's atmosphere and disintegrated.

However, it was important to ensure that its re-entry was controlled to ensure that any surviving components fell into the deepest Pacific trench.

In particular ...

Plutonium Power



Alan Bean (Apollo 12) removes the plutonium fuel cask from the LM to transfer it to the RTG in front of him that powers the experiments on the lunar surface.

RTG = Radioisotope
Thermoelectric
Generator

Jim Lovell and Tom Hanks



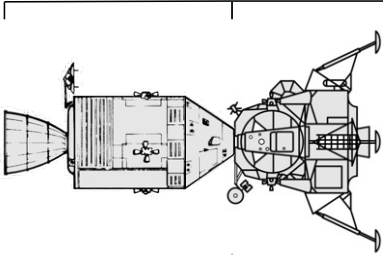
Read All About It!



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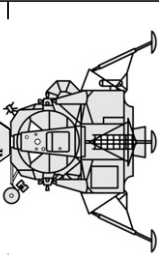
Who Made What

Command and Service Modules




North American Rockwell

Lunar Module

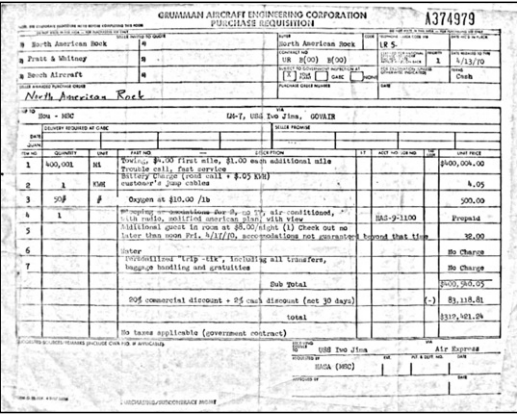



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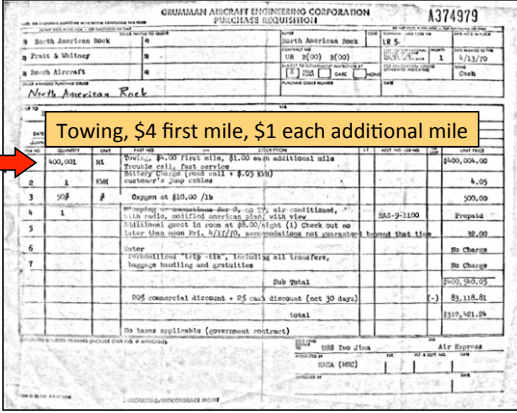
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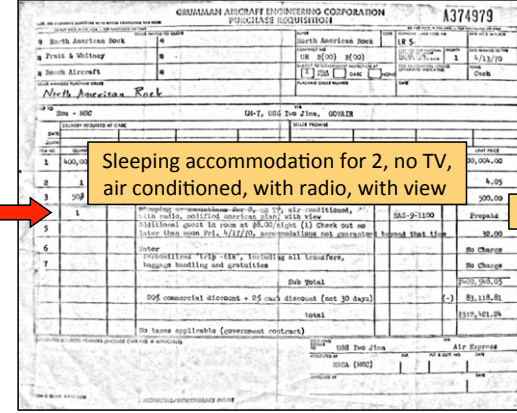
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Epilogue – Recovery of Odyssey



Epilogue – NASA's Finest Hour

