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The Mission



Orbiter: Discovery
Mission: STS-131
Payload: Leonardo
Launch: April 5, 2010
Time: 6:21 a.m. EDT
Site: Pad 39A, Kennedy Space Center
Landing: April 20 @ 9:08 a.m. EDT
Site: KSC's Shuttle Landing Facility

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Shuttle flies into space at dawn

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Beginning its 38th mission to space, the shuttle Discovery took off for the International Space Station at 6:21 a.m. EDT Monday as the first hues of dawn arrived at the Kennedy Space Center. Discovery's seven astronauts will deliver supplies and experiments to the orbiting lab during a 13-day mission.

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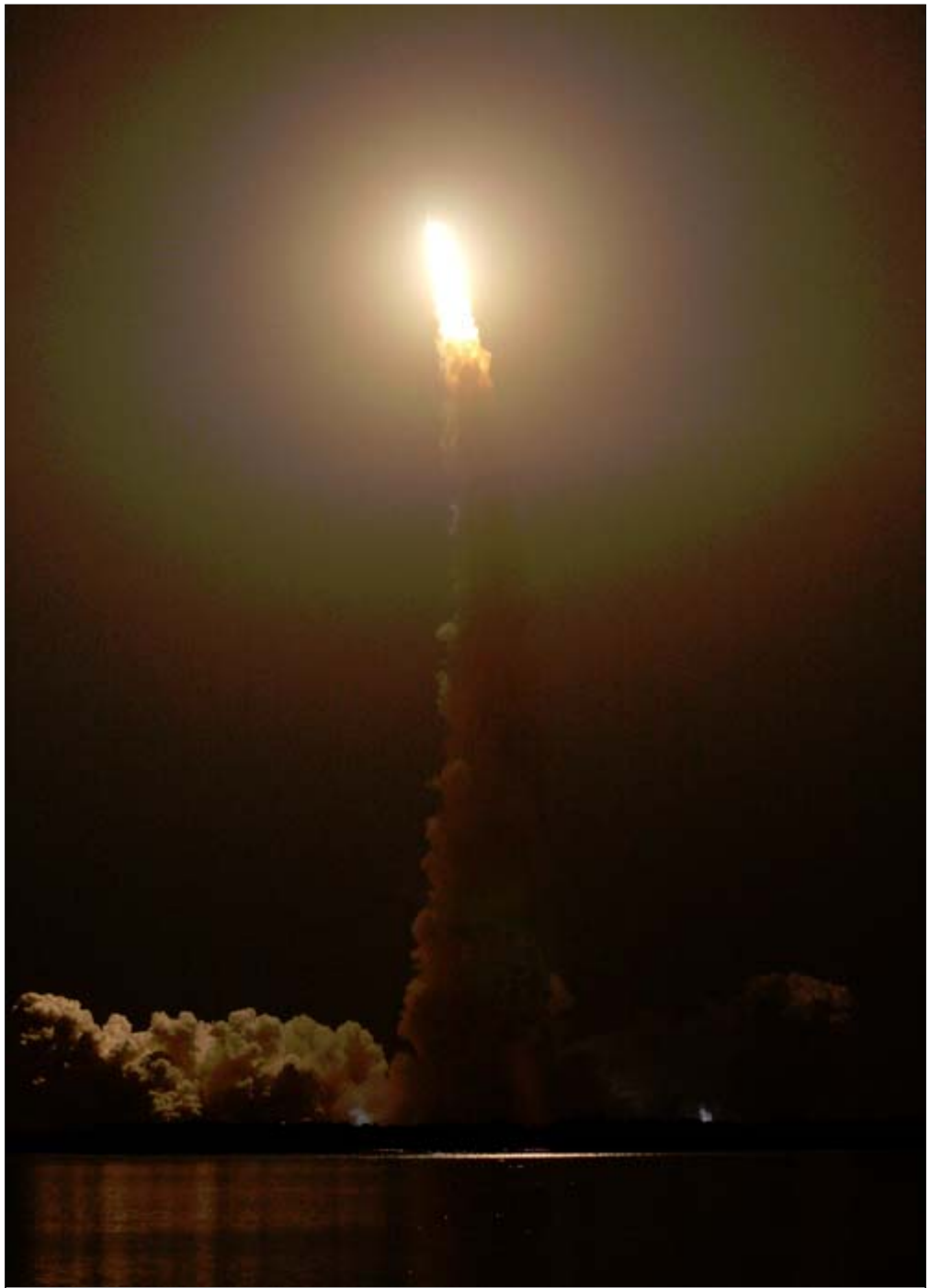


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