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* Monitoring Earth's resources and environment

* Using the space environment to further scientific research into natural phenomena and the production of new products and techniques

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