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10 Rocket Launches by April

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Russia has 10 rocket launches scheduled for the first three months of 2011, with about 20 satellites to be delivered into orbit, a space industry source told Interfax on Monday.

The launches, carrying U.S., Belarussian, Kazakh and Ukrainian satellites, among others, will be mostly conducted from the Baikonur and Plesetsk cosmodromes, the report said.

A Glonass satellite will be launched Feb. 15. Another launch is scheduled for March after a December failure that saw three satellites meant to complete the navigation program crashing in the Pacific, but it may be postponed, it said. ⊠

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