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MSU plans to develop satellites

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STARKVILLE -- Mississippi State University and InfiniSat, a technology business in Starkville, are working together to develop small, low-cost satellites for the U.S. market.

The satellites would gather information for wide range of projects, from weather prediction to disaster monitoring and communication.

MSU and InfiniSat are working with federal research agencies to develop affordable, effective technologies that can be put into use quickly.

David Shaw is director of the Northern Gulf Institute, an MSU-based cooperative program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He says the goal is to build "a full spaceflight mission operations and training center for Mississippi" with the power to track and communicate with satellites overhead.

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