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Sea Launch Zenit-3SL rocket has successfully launched the Intelsat 19 satellite from the Equator on the ocean-based Launch Platform Odyssey at 22:23 Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) on Thursday, May 31st (05:23 UTC/GMT, Friday, June 1). Built by Space Systems/Loral and weighing 5,600 kilograms the satellite was inserted into geosynchronous transfer orbit one hour later by the Block DM-SL upper stage and operators at the Intelsat Launch Control Center acquired its first signals shortly after separation. It was the first of three Sea Launch's planned missions in 2012.