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GPO ISSUES DIGITAL RELEASE OF FEDERAL REGISTER FOR THE 1960S

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- Notice of an establishment of a quarantine period for extraterrestrial exposure for the astronauts on the Apollo 11 space mission: July 25, 1969

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