

Washington - Today, Congressman John Olver (1st District) announced that the FY 2003 Defense Authorization Act will provide \$10 million for the construction of the Large Millimeter Telescope (LMT) in Mexico. This project is a great example of how the latest technology and international cooperation can advance scientific research. The LMT project is a cooperative effort between UMass and Mexico's National Institute of Astrophysics, Optics and Acoustics. "UMass is a world leader in astronomic research, and the Large Millimeter Telescope is a major facility for studying the universe. When fully constructed, the LMT will allow scientists to analyze how galaxies and stars form and evolve. For more information about the LMT project, contact Fred Byron, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation at UMass Lowell." <http://www.umasslowell.edu/~olver>

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