

CASE FILE 93 / 237UAP00202

237UAP00202

Multiple-witness public UAP report; score 24

NORMAL-OBJECT FAVORED

REPORT NO.	UAP-OM-93-237UAP00202	DISPOSITION	NORMAL-OBJECT FAVORED
PRIMARY CASE	237UAP00202	GENERATED	2026-05-20 18:32 UTC
REPORT TIME	2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00	OBSERVER	39.21830, -98.69399
SOURCE CASE IDS	237UAP00202		

Abstract

This case file evaluates a reported UAP sighting against the available orbital-object layer. No compact same-launch group fully identifies the file by itself. The final disposition is assigned under a normal-object favored standard, where ordinary aerospace/orbital explanations are preferred when they reasonably fit the report.

This is a standalone independent analysis prepared from public-source records and public orbital datasets. It is not an official government determination, classification marking, or agency-authored report.

1. Executive Summary

237UAP00202 is assessed as normal-object favored because the available public evidence gives a case-specific ordinary-object candidate: historical Starlink object traffic at the report spacetime. Dense satellite presence alone is not treated as causation in this packet.

1.1 Key Findings

- Source score 24 based on: high-altitude report, UAP/UFO language.
- Report time used: 2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00.
- External object layer used: Starlink.
- Disposition standard: NORMAL-OBJECT requires case-specific causal fit. Satellite density above the horizon is context only and cannot by itself resolve the report.
- Non-causal context / rejection screens: source language itself invokes satellite/space/launch context; substantial orbital-object sky background; context only, not causation.
- Objects above horizon: 188; at/above 10 deg: 85.
- No compact same-launch/designator group survived the report threshold.
- No explicit Starlink/balloon wording was found in the source excerpt used for ranking.

1.2 Bottom Line

NORMAL-OBJECT FAVORED: A case-specific ordinary-object candidate exists from source language, orbital geometry, launch-object context, or compact trajectory grouping. Dense ordinary sky traffic alone is not treated as causation.

2. Source Control

The source-control table identifies the public report records reviewed for this case and lists public access links where available. The table is included so this PDF remains interpretable when distributed by itself.

CASE ID	REPORT DATE FIELD	FACILITY / TITLE	TEXT EXTRACT	PUBLIC PDF LINK
237UAP00202	10:15 02/07/2023 Callsign: OKC618 Origin: MKC	ZKC Operator: OKC Operator Type: Commercial	text extract present	237UAP00202.pdf

3. Original Report Evidence

PRIMARY EXCERPT USED FOR MATCHING	Aircraft reported an unidentified aerial phenomenon off the left and high above while E bound at FL450, 184 NM W of MCI. The unknown phenomenon was multiple bright lights at high altitude changing directions traveling N and S bound. Other aircraft in the vicinity report that the lights appear to be satellites.
REPORT TIME USED	2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00
OBSERVER COORDINATE USED	39.21830, -98.69399
OBSERVER SOURCE BASIS	aviation_offset:184 NM W of MCI (public text extract 237UAP00202)

4. Methodology

- Spacetime extraction.** The report time and observer coordinate were extracted from the public text report and normalized to UTC. Aviation fixes/radials were resolved during earlier preprocessing where applicable.
- External object dataset.** The object layer used historical Space-Track/TLE-derived Starlink element rows. The analytic mode for this case is historical Starlink element propagation and same-launch/designator sky grouping.
- Propagation.** Orbital elements were propagated to the report minute and observer location. For launch-object checks, samples around the report minute were retained. For Starlink group checks, objects above the horizon were clustered by sky position and filtered for same-launch groupings.
- Comparison.** The output was compared against the report's count of lights, direction cue, motion language, altitude/radar language, and whether the file itself already suggested a satellite explanation.
- Causation standard.** Mere object presence above the horizon is treated as background context only. A normal-object disposition requires a case-specific causal fit, such as a named launch object, a compact same-launch trajectory group, or source language that directly supports that object class.
- Disposition assignment.** *Identified* means a specific normal object fits the report spacetime and the hard reported features do not materially conflict. *Normal-object favored* means a case-specific ordinary aerospace/orbital candidate exists, but it is not a full named identification. *Insufficient* means the file is too thin to carry high anomaly value. *High-value unresolved* is used when radar, video, rapid maneuver, or multi-witness features remain after reasonable normal-object checks.

5. External Object Evidence

5.1 Search Volume and Density

This table is a screening layer only. Objects above the horizon show background opportunity; they do not establish causation unless a specific object or compact trajectory group matches the reported behavior.

STARLINK CATALOG IDS CONSIDERED	3580	HISTORICAL ELEMENT ROWS	3527
ABOVE HORIZON AT REPORT MINUTE	188	AT/ABOVE 10 DEG	85
LARGEST SAME-SKY CLUSTER	49		

No compact same-launch/designator group survived the report threshold. In this condition, satellite density remains context only and cannot by itself resolve a report with hard features.

5.2 Same-Launch / Same-Designator Candidate Groups

#	LAUNCH DATE	COUNT	AZIMUTH SPAN	ELEVATION SPAN	MOTION LABELS	MEMBERS
No same-launch group identified.						

5.3 Primary Group Members

OBJECT	NORAD	LAUNCH	AZ	EL	RANGE KM	APPARENT MOTION	ELEMENT AGE H
No members available.							

5.4 Bright-Sky Context: Top Starlink Objects by Elevation

OBJECT	AZ	EL	RANGE KM	APPARENT MOTION	LAUNCH DATE
STARLINK-5437	329.73	72.34	369.13	eastward, setting	2022-12-17
STARLINK-4046	315.78	67.94	582.07	eastward, setting	2022-06-17
STARLINK-3955	349.03	59.93	619.38	eastward, setting	2022-05-13
STARLINK-3198	229.19	52.76	666.07	eastward, setting	2021-12-02
STARLINK-3700	172.36	50.4	685.19	westward, setting	2022-03-09
STARLINK-1297	131.24	47.13	725.52	westward, setting	2020-03-18
STARLINK-1997	66.5	46.35	734.51	eastward, setting	2021-02-04
STARLINK-2253	65.09	39.76	816.07	westward, setting	2021-05-15
STARLINK-1275	242.77	38.04	840.16	eastward, rising	2020-03-18
STARLINK-1231	272.4	36.83	860.28	westward, rising	2020-02-17
STARLINK-1534	309.79	36.71	862.77	eastward, setting	2020-08-07
STARLINK-3219	112.36	36.25	857.88	westward, setting	2021-12-02

5.5 Largest Sky Clusters

#	COUNT	AZIMUTH SPAN	ELEVATION SPAN	MOTION LABELS
1	49	6.26-358.77 deg	10.26-36.25 deg	eastward, rising, eastward, setting, westward, setting
2	7	136.65-174.48 deg	10.37-25.98 deg	westward, rising, westward, setting
3	6	294.1-310.93 deg	10.93-36.71 deg	eastward, rising, eastward, setting, westward, rising
4	4	237.55-246.98 deg	17.11-38.04 deg	

#	COUNT	AZIMUTH SPAN	ELEVATION SPAN	MOTION LABELS
				eastward, rising, westward, rising, westward, setting
5	4	199.6-222.0 deg	11.79-32.5 deg	westward, rising, westward, setting

5.6 Space-Track SATCAT Enrichment

Space-Track SATCAT metadata was pulled as a cached subset for NORAD catalog IDs appearing in this packet's evidence tables. This section adds owner/type/status context to the propagated object candidates.

PACKET SATCAT SUBSET ROWS	5370	FETCHED	2026-05-19T01:19:50+00:00
THIS CASE NORAD IDS CHECKED	30	SATCAT ROWS MATCHED	30
TOP OWNERS	US: 30		
OBJECT TYPES	PAYLOAD: 30		

5.7 Space-Track Metadata for Top Propagated Objects

NORAD	OBJECT NAME	TYPE	OWNER	LAUNCH DATE	DECAY DATE
54782	STARLINK-5437	PAYLOAD	US	2022-12-17	2024-12-12
52842	STARLINK-4046	PAYLOAD	US	2022-06-17	n/a
52561	STARLINK-3955	PAYLOAD	US	2022-05-13	n/a
49763	STARLINK-3198	PAYLOAD	US	2021-12-02	n/a
51956	STARLINK-3700	PAYLOAD	US	2022-03-09	n/a
45395	STARLINK-1297	PAYLOAD	US	2020-03-18	n/a
47592	STARLINK-1997	PAYLOAD	US	2021-02-04	n/a
48596	STARLINK-2253	PAYLOAD	US	2021-05-15	n/a
45407	STARLINK-1275	PAYLOAD	US	2020-03-18	2025-05-05
45212	STARLINK-1231	PAYLOAD	US	2020-02-17	n/a
46030	STARLINK-1534	PAYLOAD	US	2020-08-07	2024-12-24
49724	STARLINK-3219	PAYLOAD	US	2021-12-02	n/a

5.9 NASA / NOAA / ADS-B Expansion Layer

NASA POWER/Horizons/DONKI batch context had not yet been written for this case at packet build time.

5.11 Free Source Availability and Remaining Work

LAYER	STATUS	CASE-SPECIFIC NOTE
ADSB.LOL HISTORICAL RELEASE LISTING	not yet exhausted	v2023-02-07-planes-readsb-prod-0, v2023-02-07-planes-readsb-prod-1, v2023-02-07-planes-readsb-staging-0, v2023-02-07-planes-readsb-mlatonly-0
ADSB TRACKS DOWNLOADED	not yet exhausted	Requires targeted extraction from large daily history archives before claiming aircraft exhaustion.
NOAA GOES IMAGERY	not yet exhausted	Needed for cloud/lightning visual context.
NOAA GOES ABI/GLM MANIFEST	screened/present	Public S3 object availability for the report hour.
NOAA NEXRAD WEATHER RADAR	not yet exhausted	Weather radar only; not ATC radar.
NOAA IGRA RADIOSONDE	screened/present	Needed for balloon drift plausibility.
ASOS/METAR WEATHER OBSERVATIONS	screened/present	Nearest station surface observations around report time.

- ADSB.lol historical: extract aircraft traces from adsblol/globe_history_2023 for 2023-02-07, then filter +/-60 min and 250 nmi around 39.2183,-98.6940.

- NASA POWER/Horizons/DONKI: batch context for 237UAP00202 at 2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00.
- NOAA GOES: pull nearest ABI/GLM products for the UTC hour and render cloud/lightning map.
- NOAA NEXRAD: select nearest radar stations and render Level-II/III weather radar sweep around event time.
- NOAA IGRA: find nearest radiosonde station launches bracketing the event and model wind drift for balloon-like descriptions.
- Space-Track gp_history/decay: fetch exact historical element rows and decay/reentry status for top candidate NORAD IDs.

5.12 Weather, Imagery, and Balloon Query Plan

This plan identifies the concrete free sources needed for the next case-specific weather and balloon checks. These are not treated as completed exclusions until the data are downloaded and plotted.

GOES SATELLITE	GOES16
GOES ABI PREFIX	https://noaa-goes16.s3.amazonaws.com/ABI-L2-CMIPF/2023/038/10/
GOES GLM LIGHTNING PREFIX	https://noaa-goes16.s3.amazonaws.com/GLM-L2-LCFA/2023/038/10/

5.13 Nearest Weather-Airport Candidates

STATION	NAME	DISTANCE KM	COORDINATE
KRSL	Russell Municipal Airport	39.80	38.87, -98.81
KHYS	Hays Regional Airport	65.00	38.84, -99.27
KSLN	Salina Municipal Airport	101.80	38.79, -97.65
KHUT	Hutchinson Municipal Airport	147.20	38.07, -97.86
KFRI	Marshall Army Air Field	167.50	39.05, -96.76

- KRSL: [IEM ASOS/METAR daily CSV query](#)
- KHYS: [IEM ASOS/METAR daily CSV query](#)
- KSLN: [IEM ASOS/METAR daily CSV query](#)

5.14 Nearest Radiosonde Stations

STATION	NAME	DISTANCE KM	COORDINATE
USM00072451	DODGE CITY/MUN.; KS.	196.30	37.76, -99.97
USM00072456	TOPEKA/MUN.; KS.	264.70	39.07, -95.63
USM00072562	NORTH PLATTE/LEE BIRD; NE.	272.70	41.13, -100.70
USM00072558	VALLEY; NE.	305.90	41.32, -96.37
USM00074646	LAMONT	309.40	36.60, -97.50

5.15 ASOS/METAR Surface Weather Observations

surface visibility ranged 10-10 statute miles; no precipitation was reported in the retained observations; no low broken/overcast cloud ceiling was evident in the retained station observations. Surface ASOS/METAR observations describe airport-level weather and visibility; they do not by themselves prove conditions at the sighting altitude or line of sight.

STATION	DISTANCE KM	NEAREST OBS UTC	VIS SM	SKY	WIND DEG/KT	METAR
KRSL	39.80	2023-02-07T09:53:00+00:00	10.00	CLR, M, M, M	300.00 / 5.00	KRSL 070953Z AUTO 30005KT 10SM CLR M02/M03 A3011 RMK AO2 SLP207 T10171033
KHYS	65.00	2023-02-07T09:56:00+00:00	10.00	CLR, M, M, M	290.00 / 4.00	KHYS 070956Z AUTO 29004KT 10SM CLR M01/M02 A3014 RMK AO2 SLP216 T10061022 FZRANO \$

STATION	DISTANCE KM	NEAREST OBS UTC	VIS SM	SKY	WIND DEG/KT	METAR
KSLN	101.80	2023-02-07T09:53:00 +00:00	10.00	CLR, M, M, M	290.00 / 4.00	KSLN 070953Z AUTO 29004KT 10SM CLR M01/M03 A3012 RMK AO2 SLP203 T10061028

5.16 NOAA IGRA Radiosonde Wind Profile

Nearest sounding implies mean 0-12 km wind drift toward 6.7 deg at 2.25 m/s; a passive balloon could drift about 16.2 km in two hours under this crude layer-average model. Radiosonde winds are sparse station soundings; balloon drift remains approximate without launch time, ascent rate, object altitude, and exact line-of-sight bearing.

STATION	NAME	DISTANCE KM	SOUNDING UTC	MEAN DRIFT BEARING	MEAN SPEED M/S	2H DRIFT KM	MAX WIND
USM00072451	DODGE CITY/ MUN.; KS.	196.30	2023-02-07T12:00 :00+00:00	6.70	2.25	16.20	35.90 at 821.00 m

5.17 NOAA GOES ABI/GLM Public File Manifest

GOES public S3 objects are listed for the report hour where available. This is an availability manifest, not yet a rendered satellite image.

SATELLITE	GOES16	BUCKET	noaa-goes16
ABI SAMPLE FILES	12	GLM SAMPLE FILES	12

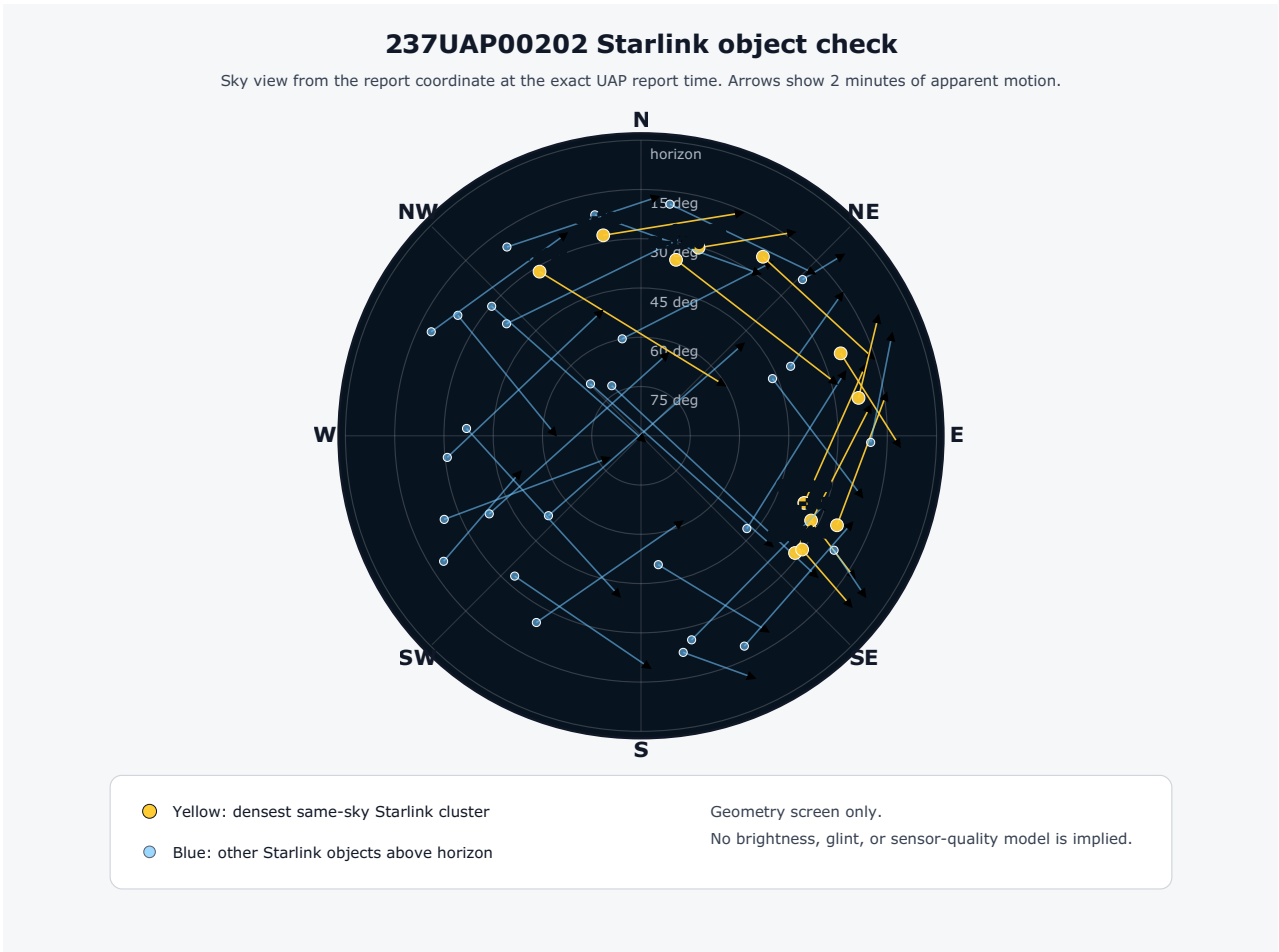
ABI sample objects:

- [ABI-L2-CMIPF/2023/038/10/OR_ABI-L2-CMIPF-M6C01_G16_s20230381000206_e20230381009514_c20230381009579.nc](#)
- [ABI-L2-CMIPF/2023/038/10/OR_ABI-L2-CMIPF-M6C01_G16_s20230381010206_e20230381019514_c20230381019587.nc](#)
- [ABI-L2-CMIPF/2023/038/10/OR_ABI-L2-CMIPF-M6C01_G16_s20230381020206_e20230381029514_c20230381029580.nc](#)
- [ABI-L2-CMIPF/2023/038/10/OR_ABI-L2-CMIPF-M6C01_G16_s20230381030206_e20230381039514_c20230381039577.nc](#)

GLM lightning sample objects:

- [GLM-L2-LCFA/2023/038/10/OR_GLM-L2-LCFA_G16_s20230381000000_e20230381000200_c20230381000220.nc](#)
- [GLM-L2-LCFA/2023/038/10/OR_GLM-L2-LCFA_G16_s20230381000200_e20230381000400_c20230381000425.nc](#)
- [GLM-L2-LCFA/2023/038/10/OR_GLM-L2-LCFA_G16_s20230381000400_e20230381001000_c20230381001025.nc](#)
- [GLM-L2-LCFA/2023/038/10/OR_GLM-L2-LCFA_G16_s20230381001000_e20230381001200_c20230381001223.nc](#)

6. Annotated Evidence Figure



7. Analytic Comparison

CRITERION	REPORT EVIDENCE	ANALYTIC TREATMENT
TIME CONSTRAINT	2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00	Directly used in propagation; this is a hard filter, not descriptive context.
LOCATION CONSTRAINT	39.21830, -98.69399	Directly used as observer point for azimuth/elevation/range computation.
COUNT / PATTERN	multiple-object/light language present	No compact same-launch count match; retained for unresolved report features.
MOTION LANGUAGE	not explicit	Apparent motion labels in the object table provide a plausible but not definitive comparison.
RADAR / OFFICIAL CHECK	not specified	No ATC radar return can be consistent with distant orbital objects or visual aircraft-light hypotheses, but it does not prove the match.
ANALYTIC DISPOSITION	normal-object	237UAP00202 is assessed as normal-object favored because the available public evidence gives a case-specific ordinary-object candidate: historical Starlink object traffic at the report spacetime. Dense satellite presence alone is not treated as causation in this packet.

8. Caveats, Limitations, and Collection Gaps

- No raw cockpit video, ATC replay, radar plot, or witness interview transcript was reviewed unless explicitly stated in the public source text.
- Aviation-derived coordinates can represent a nearby fix/radial or report point, not necessarily the actual line-of-sight intercept point.
- Starlink visibility depends on illumination, observer altitude, atmospheric conditions, and apparent brightness; this analysis tests geometry, not photometry. No brightness model is used unless explicitly stated elsewhere in the case file.
- TLE propagation is appropriate for screening and reconstruction but is not a substitute for authoritative operational ephemerides.
- When many satellites are above the horizon, generic presence is weak evidence and is not treated as causation. The report emphasizes named launch-object checks or compact same-launch trajectory groups.
- Normal-object favored is not the same as a perfect named-object identification; it requires a case-specific ordinary-object candidate stronger than simple object density.

Appendix A. Public Report Text Extracts

237UAP00202

SKYWATCH INCIDENT REPORT

PRIMARY CODE: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHENOMENON
Date: 10:15 02/07/2023
Status: Closed
POD: DEN
Reporting Facility: ZKC

Callsign: OKC618
Aircraft: LJ40
Tail Number:
Operator: OKC
Paged: NO

Origin: MKC
Destination: PWA
New Destination:
Operator Type: Commercial
MOR Init: YES
MOR ID: ZKC-M-2023/02/07-0003

REMARKS

Aircraft reported an unidentified aerial phenomenon off the left and high above while E bound at FL450, 184 NM W of MCI. The unknown phenomenon was multiple bright lights at high altitude changing directions traveling N and S bound. Other aircraft in the vicinity report that the lights appear to be satellites.

Appendix B. Computational Evidence Digest

This appendix preserves the principal computed values used in the assessment, shortened to the fields most relevant to audit and review.

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  "case_id": "237UAP00202",
  "starlink_above_horizon_at_report_time": 188,
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Appendix C. Source Exhaustion Checklist

This checklist records which source layers were actually applied to this individual report. It separates checked evidence from unexhausted collection gaps so the disposition is auditable when the PDF is read alone.

SOURCE LAYER	STATUS	CASE-SPECIFIC NOTE
NARA PUBLIC UAP/FAA REPORT	reviewed	Source IDs: 237UAP00202
TIME AND OBSERVER COORDINATE	extracted	2023-02-07T10:15:00+00:00 at 39.21830, -98.69399
ORBITAL OBJECT PROPAGATION	screened	Starlink
SPACE-TRACK SATCAT METADATA	screened	30 NORAD IDs checked; 30 matched in local SATCAT subset
LAUNCH-OBJECT/SUPGP LAYER	not applicable	not a launch-object case
NASA/JPL KNOWN SMALL-BODY LAYER	not selected	CAD/Horizons secondary screen included when this case had NEO-relevant timing/ geometry
NASA POWER/HORIZONS/DONKI CONTEXT	not exhausted	Hourly weather, sky geometry, and space-weather context where local JSON is present
AIRCRAFT/ADS-B LAYER	not exhausted	ADSB.lol historical release pattern is recorded separately; actual aircraft exhaustion requires targeted trace extraction
NOAA GOES IMAGERY LAYER	not exhausted	Cloud/lightning imagery layer for the report hour
NOAA GOES ABI/GLM MANIFEST	screened	Public S3 object listing for the report hour
NOAA/NEXRAD WEATHER RADAR LAYER	not exhausted	Weather radar only; not ATC/primary radar
NOAA IGRA RADIOSONDE LAYER	screened	Balloon drift plausibility layer
ASOS/METAR SURFACE WEATHER	screened	Nearest station visibility, cloud, wind, precipitation, and METAR observations
WEATHER/BALLOON SOURCE PLAN	planned	Nearest weather-airport, GOES, and radiosonde queries are listed where local plan JSON is present
FINAL ANALYTIC DISPOSITION	normal-object favored	Presence-only satellite density is context only; a stronger case-specific fit is required for normal-object disposition

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