

(English version)

**Question for written answer E-002266/25
to the Commission
Fabio De Masi (NI)
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Subject: EU response to global trends regarding flight safety and the security implications of UAP

Several major international actors, including the United States⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾, Japan and China⁽³⁾, have formally recognised unidentified anomalous phenomena (UAP) as a matter of flight safety and national security, and have introduced dedicated procedures for tracking and analysing such phenomena.

Does the Commission consider that the issue of UAP warrants serious, coordinated investigation by European and national authorities, in light of these global developments?

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**Answer given by Mr Kūbilius on behalf of the European Commission
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The area of unidentified aerial phenomenon (UAP) is considered a competence of the Member States, allowing them to address these phenomena according to the national security needs. For example, France has established the Group for study and information on unidentified aerospace phenomena (GEIPAN).

This notwithstanding, the Commission is committed to enhancing the EU space situational awareness capabilities within the remit of the EU Space Regulation⁽¹⁾ and without prejudice to national competences.

This work will be crucial to elevating the EU situational awareness, improving the EU ability to detect, assess and respond to various risks in space.

The Commission and the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy remain dedicated to collaborating with stakeholders to ensure the safety and security of the EU space environment.

¹ <https://www.defense.gov/News/News-Stories/Article/Article/3965403/dod-examining-unidentified-anomalous-phenomena/>.

² <https://aerospaceamerica.aiaa.org/year-in-review/u-s-government-studies-hearings-highlight-increasing-awareness-of-uap-as-an-aerospace-safety-concern/>.

³ https://dkiapcss.edu/nexus_articles/a-comparative-survey-of-security-approaches-toward-unexplained-aerial-phenomena-across-the-indo-pacific/.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2021/696, OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 69-148; ELI: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/696/oj?eliuri=eli%3Areg%3A2021%3A696%3Aoj&locale=en>.