

China's Spy Balloon Reactions

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Background

- China reacted and objected to recent U.S. shutdown of Chinese balloon over U.S.*
- China claims balloon used for meteorological purposes
- China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs "disappointed" and "reserves the right to further reactions"*
- Blamed violation of airspace on force majeure
- China's Ministry of Defense states use of force against civilian unmanned airship is an "overreaction"*
- Country rejected proposed call with U.S. Secretary of Defense**

Deeper Insight

Babel Street analysts, harnessing the power of publicly available information by drawing on English and Non-English language sources, examined this incident from very unique angles. Gathering hyper-local and non-traditional coverage of key international events provides a 360-degree view and offers more robust situational awareness.



*Source: [The Paper](#)
**Source: [Reuters](#)

The Power of Publicly Available Information: China's Spy Balloon Reactions



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