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THE FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY SUMMARY PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. ALL LAUNCH FUNCTIONS APPEARED NORMAL. THE BTL GUIDANCE FUNCTIONED PROPERLY AND AGENA SEPARATION OCCURRED AS PLANNED. AGENA ENGINE IGNITION OCCURRED AS PROGRAMMED AND THE AGENA ENGINE BURNTIME WAS WITHIN SPECIFICATIONS. INITIAL EXAMINATION OF THE RECORDS INDICATES THAT AN ABNORMAL VEHICLE OSCILLATION BEGAN APPROXIMATELY 10 SECONDS PRIOR TO THE AGENA ENGINE SHUTDOWN. THE CAUSE OF THIS CONDITION IS AS YET NOT DETERMINED. FROM THE RECORDS, IT APPEARS THAT OTHER ABNORMALITIES APPEARED AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME. THESE INCLUDE EXCESSIVE USE OF CONTROL GAS. IT ALSO APPEARS THAT THE AGENA ENGINE SHUTDOWN WAS NOT DUE TO ANY INTEGRATOR COMMAND.

END OF MESSAGE

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