

P2SC-ROB-WR-386 - 20170814 Weekly report #386	P2SC Weekly report	
Period covered: Date:	Mon Aug 14 to Sun Aug 20, 2017 21 Aug 2017	Royal Observatory of Belgium - PROBA2 Science Center
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1. Science

Solar & Space weather events

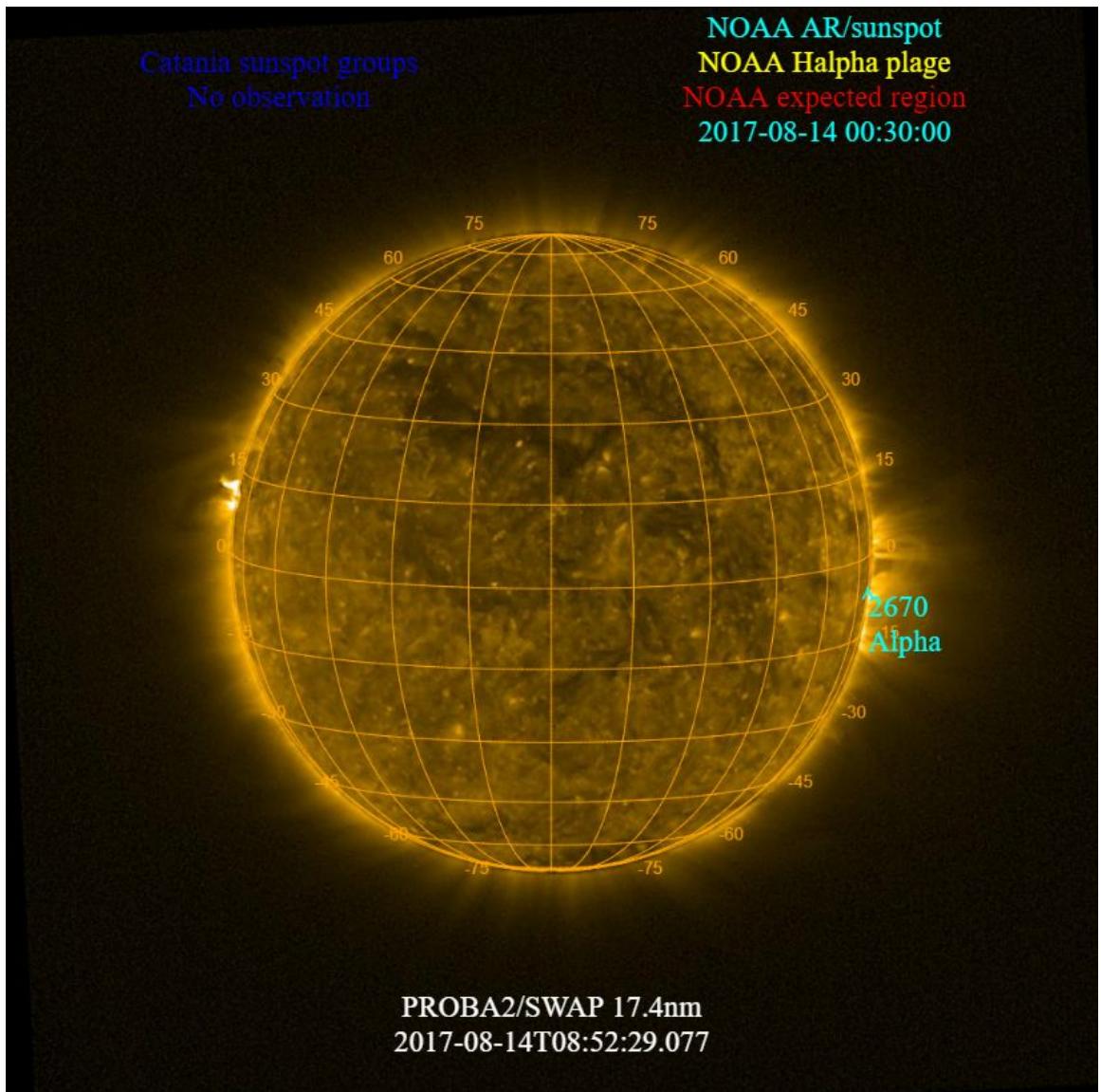
The level of solar activity¹ fluctuated between **very low and moderate** this week.

Only M- and X-flares are mentioned, the most energetic one(s) per day are presented in **bold**:

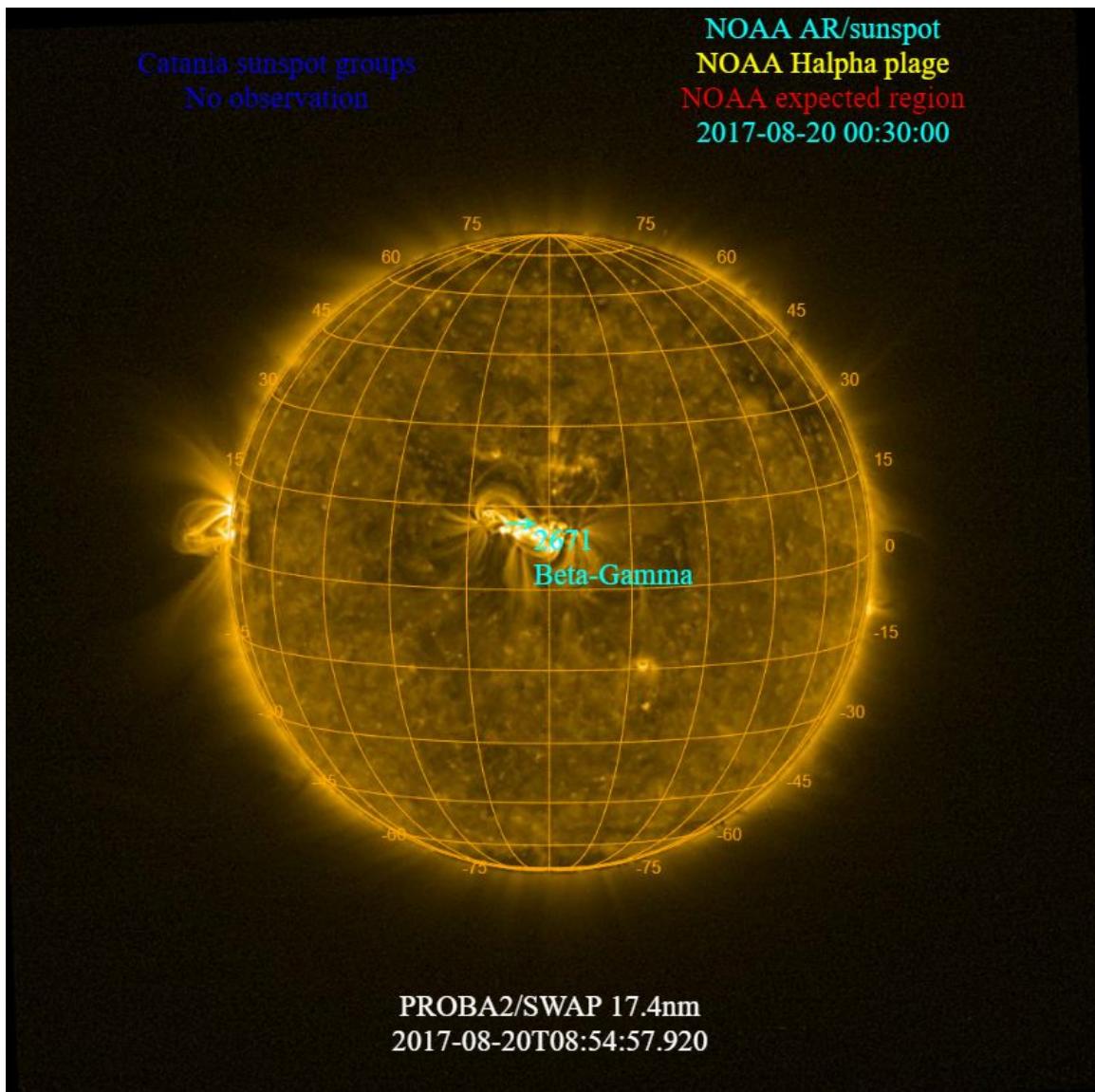
	Monday 14 Aug	Tuesday 15 Aug	Wednesday 16 Aug	Thursday 17 Aug	Friday 18 Aug	Saturday 19 Aug	Sunday 20 Aug
Activity	low	low	very low	very low	low	low	moderate
Flares	-	-	-	-	-	-	M1.1 @ 01:52

¹ See appendix. All timings are given in UT.

The SWAP images of Aug 14 and Aug 20 are shown below, with annotated active regions.



<http://sidc.be/soteria/soteria.php>



Solar Activity

Solar flare activity fluctuated between very low and moderate during the week. In order to view the activity of this week in more detail, we suggest to go to the following website from which all the daily (normal and difference) movies can be accessed: <http://proba2.oma.be/ssa>. This page also lists the recorded flaring events.

A weekly overview movie can be found [here](#) (SWAP week 386).

Details about some of this week's events, can be found further below.

If any of the linked movies are unavailable they can be found in the P2SC movie repository [here](#).

Wednesday Aug 16

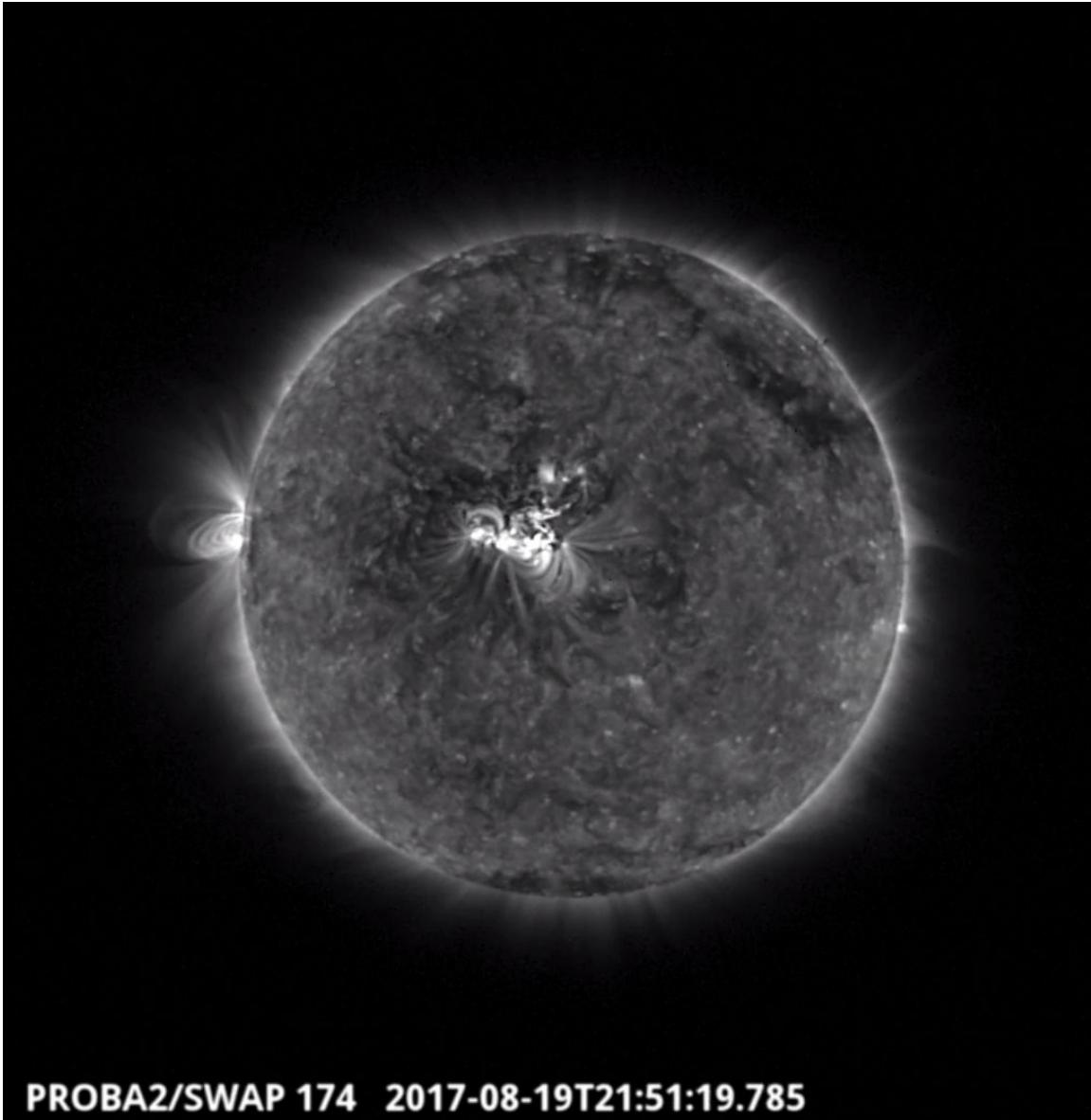


PROBA2/SWAP 174 2017-08-16T17:15:02.542

A prominence was observed by SWAP in the north east quadrant of the Sun shown in the SWAP image above at 17:15 UT on 2017-Aug-16

Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie)

Saturday Aug 19

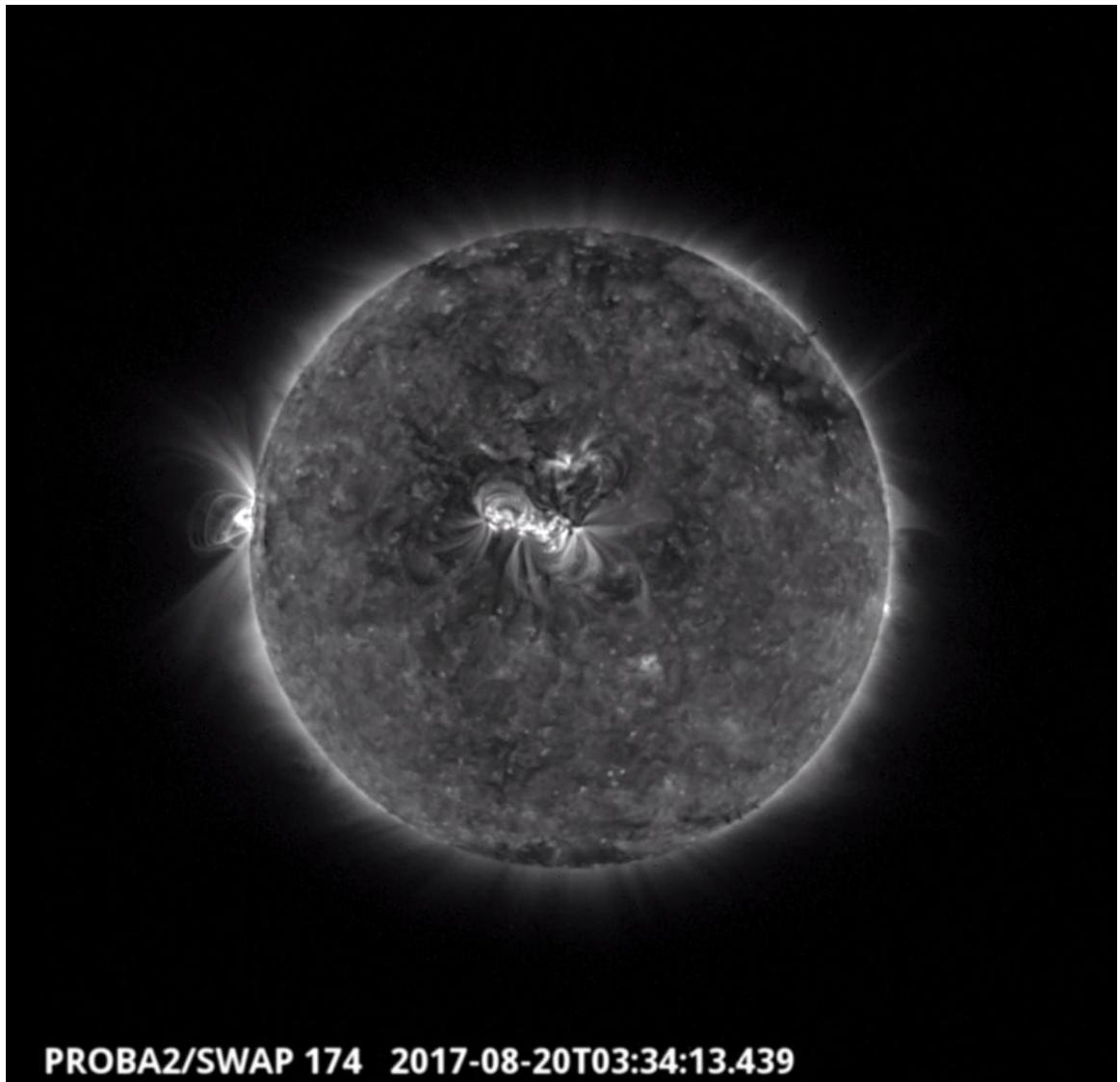


PROBA2/SWAP 174 2017-08-19T21:51:19.785

NOAA active region 2671 produced multiple c-class flares over the week. The largest flare it produced was a C7.0 flare, which occurred on 2017-Aug-19, and is shown in the centre of the solar disk in the SWAP image above at 21:51 UT.

Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie)

Sunday Aug 20



PROBA2/SWAP 174 2017-08-20T03:34:13.439

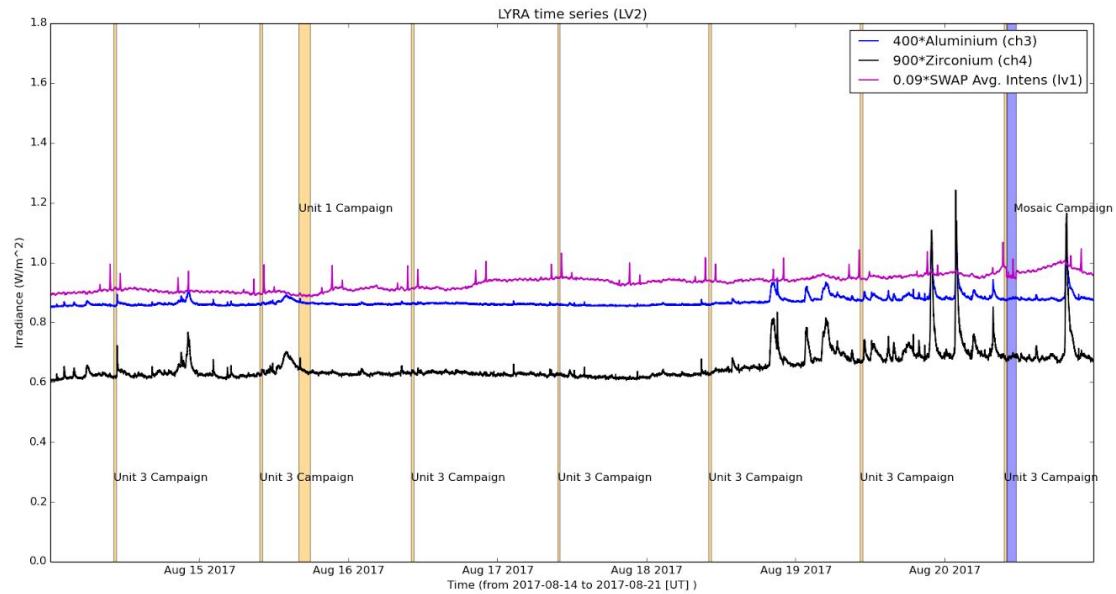
The largest flare of the week was an M-class (M1.1) flare on 2017-Aug-20 from NOAA AR 2672, shown on the eastern limb of the Sun in the SWAP image above at 03:34 UT.

Find a movie of the event [here](#) (SWAP movie)

An overview of the weekly LYRA & SWAP data is provided below:

The following curves are visible:

- black: Zirconium Channel LYRA Unit 2
- blue: Aluminium Channel of LYRA Unit 2
- purple: SWAVINT (SWAP Average Intensity; integrated solar intensity per SWAP image pixel)



The blue shaded periods related to SWAP, correspond to, from left to right:

- Mosaic campaign: 4 off-points, 2017-Aug-20

The orange shaded periods related to LYRA correspond to, from left to right:

- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-14
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-15
- Monthly unit 1 campaign, 2017-Aug-15
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-16
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-17
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-18
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-19
- Daily unit 3 campaign, 2017-Aug-20

The red shaded periods related to other issues corresponds to:

- None

Outreach, papers, presentations, etc.

Please consult <http://proba2.oma.be/science/publications> for a list of interesting articles using SWAP & LYRA data, as well as a link to the complete article list.

The science section of this weekly report is also published in the weekly STCE newsletter (<http://www.stce.be/newsletter/newsletter.php>).

Guest Investigator Program

- None

2. LYRA instrument status

Calibration

No calibration campaign this week.

IOS & operations

Monday 14 Aug	Tuesday 15 Aug	Wednesday 16 Aug	Thursday 17 Aug	Friday 18 Aug	Saturday 19 Aug	Sunday 20 Aug
Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00634	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 + monthly U1 LYIOS00634	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00634	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00634	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00635	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00635	Nominal acquisition + daily U3 LYIOS00635

The following science campaigns were performed by LYRA:

- Daily Unit 3 observations campaign

On 2017-Aug-15

- Monthly Unit 1 campaign

LYRA detector temperature

LYRA detector 2 temperature globally varied between 47.90 and 49.79 °C.

3. SWAP instrument status

Calibration

No calibration campaign this week.

MCPM errors

The number of MCPM recoverable errors increased from 11434 to 11623.

The number of MCPM unrecoverable errors remained at 0.

IOS & operations

Monday 14 Aug	Tuesday 15 Aug	Wednesday 16 Aug	Thursday 17 Aug	Friday 18 Aug	Saturday 19 Aug	Sunday 20 Aug
Nominal acquisition IOS00712 696 images	Nominal acquisition IOS00712 688 images	Nominal acquisition IOS00712 695 images	Nominal acquisition IOS00712 691 images	Nominal acquisition IOS00713 691 images	Nominal acquisition IOS00713 691 images	Nominal acquisition + mosaic IOS00713 708 images

Special operations for SWAP, this week:

On 2017-Aug-20:

- Mosaic campaign with 4 off-points

SWAP detector temperature

The SWAP Cold Finger Temperature globally varied between -1.45 and -0.49 °C.

4. PROBA2 Science Center Status

The main operator is Jennifer O'Hara.

The following changes were made to the P2SC:

- None.

5. Data reception & discussions with MOC

Passes

The delivery of the passes for this week (passes 24883 to 24947) was nominal, except for:

- None.

Data coverage HK

All HK data files (LYRA_AD) have been received, except:

- None.

Data coverage SWAP

All SWAP Science data files (BINSWAP) have been received, except:

- None.

Total number of images between 2017 Aug 14 00:00 UT and 2017 Aug 21 00:00 UT: 4873

Highest cadence in this period: 60 seconds

Average cadence in this period: 124.11 seconds

Number of image gaps larger than 300 seconds: 120

Largest data gap: 11.00 minutes

Data coverage LYRA

All LYRA Science data files (BINLYRA) have been received, except:

- None

6. APPENDIX: Frequently used acronyms

ADPMS	Advanced Data and Power Management System
AOCS	Attitude and Orbit Control System
APS	Active Pixel image Sensor
ASIC	Application Specific Integrated Circuit
BBE	Base Band Equipment
CME	Coronal Mass Ejection
COGEX	Cool Gas Generator Experiment
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check
DAC	Data Acquisition Controller
DBR	Deployment, backup & recovery
DDA	Decommuted data archive
ESP	Experimental Solar Panel
FITS	Flexible Image Transport System
FOV	Field Of View FPA Focal Plane Assembly
FPGA	Field Programmable Gate Arrays
GPS	Global Positioning System
HK	Housekeeping
IOS	Instrument Operations Sheet
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LYRA	LYman alpha RAdiometer
LYTMR	LYRA Telemetry Reformatter (software module of P2SC)
LYEDG	LYRA Engineering Data Generator (software module of P2SC)
MCPM	Mass Memory, Compression and Packetisation Module
MOC	Mission Operation Center
NDR	Non Destructive Readout
OBSW	On board Software
PI	Principal Investigator
P2SC	PROBA2 Science Center
ROB	Royal Observatory of Belgium
SAA	South Atlantic Anomaly
SEU	Single Event Upset
SoFAST	Solar Feature Automated Search Tool
SWAP	Sun Watcher using APS detector and image Processing
SWAVINT	SWAP AVerage INTensity
SWBSDG	SWAP Base Science Data Generator
SWEDG	SWAP Engineering Data Generator (software module of P2SC)
SWTMR	SWAP Telemetry Reformatter (software module of P2SC)
TBC	To Be Confirmed
TBD	To Be Defined
TC	Telecommand
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
UV	Ultraviolet
VFC	Voltage to Frequency Converter

7. APPENDIX Solar Activity Definitions

In the science section we use the following solar activity standards.

The standard scale for solar activity is:

- very low (almost no flares, only B)
- low (a few C flares)
- moderate (many C flares and at least an M flare)
- high (several M flares and an X flare)
- very high (continuous background of C flares, numerous M flares, more than one X flare)