

LEAVING THE CRADLE -- The Satellite Business Systems (SBS-3) spacecraft springs from its protective "cradle" in the cargo bay of the Space Shuttle Columbia. The event marked the first deployment of a commercial satellite from an orbiting space vehicle. A rocket motor on the lower part of the satellite maneuvered it into a geosynchronous orbit. This view was taken through aft windows of Columbia's flight deck. (82-2511-C)

