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>From: NASAnews@hq.nasa.gov
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>Subject: PERSEUS B DAMAGED IN CRASH ON CALFORNIA HIGHWAY
>Date: Fri, 1 Oct 1999 15:20:11 -0400 (EDT)
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>Michael Braukus Oct. 1, 1999
>Headquarters, Washington, DC
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>Leslie Williams
>Dryden Flight Research Center, Edwards, CA
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>RELEASE: 99-115
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>PERSEUS B DAMAGED IN CRASH ON CALFORNIA HIGHWAY
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> The Perseus B remotely piloted research aircraft was
>moderately damaged when it crashed this morning near Barstow, CA,
>during a flight from NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center,
>Edwards, CA.
>
> There was no property damage, no fire or injuries on the
>ground as a result of the accident. The cause is not yet known.
>The aircraft came down in the westbound lanes of Interstate 40
>about 4 miles east of Barstow.
>
> The propeller-driven aircraft had been flying for about two
>hours and 15 minutes when the accident occurred about 11:45 a.m.
>EDT. The flight was being conducted from Edwards Air Force Base
>under the guidance of ground-based mission controllers from
>Aurora Flight Sciences, Inc., of Manassas, VA, the plane's
>builder and operator. The aircraft was not carrying a payload.
>
> An accident investigation team has been formed by Dryden
>flight safety officials to determine the exact cause of the
>mishap, with assistance from Aurora Flight Sciences operations
>staff.
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> The Perseus B, a developmental vehicle designed to operate at
>high altitudes for extended periods on scientific sampling

>missions, is one of several aircraft being evaluated by NASA
>under the Environmental Research Aircraft and Sensor Technology
>program. The aircraft can be operated remotely from a ground
>station or navigate autonomously along a pre-programmed flight
>path.
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