

Nuclear Transport Truck Seen in Iowa in 1980s

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>Warhead in Truck Accident

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>Energy Department officials have said nuclear weapons are moved in unmarked
 >tractor-trailer rigs that are heavily fortified with safety equipment. Every
 >truck is accompanied by at least two vehicles carrying armed guards and the
 >convoys' locations are tracked by satellite.

Years ago (the early 1980s, I believe) on a trip across Iowa on Interstate 80 (going west) I passed a very clean white semi tractor-trailer with no markings of any kind (not even the mud flaps had markings!). About 50 yards in front (and back) of the semi was an unmarked sedan. Neither worth remembering.

What I remember (and quite clearly) was the lack of vibration of the semi. Usually as you pass one doing 75 mph plus (at the time) one notices the sheet metal of the trailer and cab vibrating from the wheel and road noise/vibrations. Empty trailers vibrate more than full ones.

As I caught up to the semi cab as I was completing the pass, I noticed that the sheet metal wasn't sheet metal but battleship plate steel! Rivets around the door and window frames (a flat glass windshield!) and port holes in the doors similar to the ones on armored cars for poking guns out. The wheels and rims looked ordinary enough for a semi, just thicker and heavier (almost like solid red wagon wheels we had as kids - remember them?).

I've been all over America, before and since, and this was the only time I ever saw a vehicle like this. I can still remember the blank expression of the cab passenger as I passed - stoic, square-jawed and government-issue sunglasses!) Since I'm living overseas I don't have access to my logbooks or I could give you the exact date, time and location (I kept an extensive diary when traveling, and no, I'm not a trucker - just someone who wanted to remember my trips and vacations).

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