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Re: NBC TV News On 'Triangle'

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Sun, 22 Nov 1998 09:49:22 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Nov 1998 13:08:36 -0500
Subject: Re: NBC TV News On 'Triangle'

>From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 21 Nov 1998 17:15:29 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: NBC TV News On 'Triangle'

>>From: Michael Lindemann <CNINews1@aol.com>
>>Date: Fri, 20 Nov 1998 11:38:30 EST
>>Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Nov 1998 16:06:04 -0500
>>Subject: Re: NBC TV News On 'Triangle'

>>>From: [Stig Agermose](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
>>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>>Date: Fri, 20 Nov 1998 12:31:40 +0100
>>>Subject: NBC TV News On Triangle

>>>Source: IUFO mailing list, November 20,

>>><http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/media/mailling/archive/iufo/msg01021.shtml>

>>>IUFO Mailing List

>>>NBC TV NEWS Triangle Craft !!!

>>>From: ranger116@webtv.net (Thomas Buyea)
>>>Date: Fri, 20 Nov 1998 02:12:25 -0500 (EST)
>>>Subject: IUFO: NBC TV NEWS Triangle Craft !!!

>><snip>

>>I have seen a report on CNN about the new NASA aircraft referred
>>to above. This is an experimental, unmanned flying wing of very
>>strange design. It is, I believe, approximately 200 feet from
>>wingtip to wingtip.

>>The wing is straight and narrow -- probably about ten feet front
>>to back. The craft has no body. It is propeller driven with a
>>large number (more than a dozen) small propellers.

>>It flies at a speed of just 20 miles per hour but can reach an
>>altitude of 100,000 feet.

>>It is mostly silver and white in color.

>>It bears no resemblance whatsoever to a "black triangle." Watch
>>CNN today and you'll probably see pictures of it.

>>Best regards,
>>Michael Lindemann

>>CNI News

>I'd like to add to what Michael Lindemann said here.

>The craft is called Pathfinder; it is a fragile, relatively
>low-tech ultralight very similar to the pedal-powered
>ultralights of the last decade, propelled by solar-powered
>electric motors, and consisting largely of clear plastic
>sheeting stretched over a simple lightweight frame.

>The straight wing is hinged in four places and flops around a
>lot like a snake, which apparently gives the whole clumsy, poky
>thing some stability.

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>It is certainly no triangle and no high performance craft.

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>It's purpose is to fly virtually unattended and slowly at a very
>high altitude for a very long time. Uses could be things like
>cell-phone communications and various types of surveillance.

>Furthermore it is no secret, though it may finally be getting
>some general press. I was at Dryden Space Flight Center,
>Edwards AFB last April, and they were showing we, the public,
>movies and slides of it, along with other of their experimental
>craft.

>Part of Dryden's public literature is a handout called The
>Dryden X-Press, a 4-page newsletter. The one we received is
>dated October 1997 and includes a photo with caption of the
>craft, which I've scanned and attached to this post for those
>who are interested.

>Again, please note -- basically a very slow 'SaranWrap' craft
>and no triangle. How this got hyped into a possible explanation
>for huge, high-performance black triangles is beyond me.

>David Rudiak

>Attached: PATHFIND.jpg

It is really good to see factual material replace fiction. Nice
job Michael and David.

Stan Friedman

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