

TRANS-ATLANTIC RECORD -- A U.S. Air Force SR-71 reconnaissance jet with drogue parachute deployed lands near London to establish a new Atlantic crossing record. Its two crewmen, pilot James Sullivan (left) and Noel Widdefield, receive post-flight congratulatory kisses from their wives. The trip from New York City took 1 hour 56 minutes, shattering the old mark of 4 hours 46 minutes set by a British Royal Navy Phantom fighter in 1969. In June, the British-French supersonic airliner Concorde flew from Paris to Boston in 3 hours 9 minutes. (74-1861)

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