

FIRST CRUISE FLIGHT -- The U.S. Air Force Cruise missile is launched from a B-52 bomber on its first powered flight. Dropped from an altitude of 3,000 meters, it flew for 11 minutes over the New Mexico desert. The test was declared a success. Above, the drone hangs from the open weapons bay. Below, its engine inlet has raised up, back wings have been extended and tail fin is in the process of being raised.

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