SUPERSONIC SPARROW -- An improved Sparrow supersonic, radar-homing missile is test fired from a U.S. Air Force F-4 jet. Designated AIM-7E, the weapon has increased reliability and maneuverability and doubled flight range over the version currently in operation around the world. It can be launched from aircraft flying at either subsonic or supersonic speeds, and has also been adapted for shipboard use. The Raytheon company of Lexington, Massachusetts, is the manufacturer. (75-2259-C)