

B-1B drops CBU-97 Sensor Fuzed Weapon

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A B-1B Lancer bomber from Elsworth AFB, South Dakota, drops a CBU-97 Sensor Fuzed Weapon, a high tech cluster bomb, on the Eglin AFB, FL, range. The CBU-97 is the first multiple-kills-per-pass smart anti-armor weapon. The B-1B is a long-range bomber, capable of flying intercontinental missions without refueling, then penetrating present and future sophisticated enemy defenses. The swing-wing design and turbofan engines not only provide greater range and high speed at low levels but they also enhance the bomber's survivability. Wing sweep at the full-forward position allows a short takeoff roll and a fast base-escape profile for airfields under attack. Once airborne, the wings are positioned for maximum cruise distance or high-speed penetration.

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