

B2 bomber flights on 'pause'

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HAGATNA, Guam -- Flights of the U.S. Air Force B-2 fleet remained suspended Monday following a weekend crash of one of the stealth aircraft in Guam. The Air Force said the suspension was a "temporary pause" to review the safety procedures after Saturday's B-2 bomber crash on the runway at Andersen Air Force Base, CNN reported. It was not certain how long the "pause" would last. The plane went down shortly after takeoff from Andersen, the pilot ejecting safely. The Air Force said it was the first time a B-2 had crashed. The craft made its first public flight in 1989. The planes, worth about \$1 billion each, were on the ground while safety reviews are conducted in light of the accident, the spokesman said.

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