Subject: The mother of all bombs, AKA "MOAB" Posted by Blazer on Fri, 21 Mar 2003 12:26:10 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2003/iraq/interactive/coalition/munitions/content.17.html

That thing is the size of a greyhound bus! LOL its so big they have to dump it out of a cargo plane. Instant parking lot I guess. Actually thats what they used the smaller "Daisy Cutter" bomb for...to make an instant airfield in a forest area, or to clear mine fields.

The Daisy Cutter doesn't look all that small either: http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2003/iraq/interactive/coalition/munitions/content.3.html

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LOL...I think you are reading too much into it. "The mother of all <insert term here>" is a very common phrase which means basically "This is the biggest yet". I don't think the term "Mother of all bombs" has anything to do with Saddam. It's just a bigass bomb

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No, I actually read an article which had an interview with Airforce ordnance development. They nicknamed it the mother as a mockery of Saadaam. I will see if I can find the article.

God only knows where I read that, so here is the best I can do.

http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/systems/munitions/moab.htm

Subject: The mother of all bombs, AKA "MOAB" Posted by Crimson on Fri, 21 Mar 2003 16:43:58 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I'd like to think they called it "Mother of all Bombs" as a joke, then MOAB for short, then decided to think of something else that MOAB could stand for.

But you're probably right, Kirby.