
Subject: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Blazer](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 18:01:27 GMT
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http://www.dailymail.co.uk/pages/live/articles/news/worldnews.html?in_article_id=490669&in_page_id=1811

Quote:New technology that can make tanks invisible has been unveiled by the Ministry of Defence.

In secret trials last week, the Army said it had made a vehicle completely disappear and predicted that an invisible tank would be ready for service by 2012.

A soldier, who was at the trials, said: "This technology is incredible. If I hadn't been present I wouldn't have believed it. I looked across the fields and just saw grass and trees - but in reality I was staring down the barrel of a tank gun."

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Ryu](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 18:22:02 GMT
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England ftw!

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 18:48:51 GMT
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But nevertheless, it's a fine achievement.

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Posted by [GoArmy44](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 20:35:33 GMT

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I wouldn't think they would need a drastic improvement...for today's tanks and armored vehicles the main mode of visual identification of other enemy armor is IR (even in the daytime)...so even if the tank was invisible to our eyes...the tankers would still be able to see it quite clearly.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years

Posted by [Jerad2142](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 20:44:50 GMT

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Thank goodness for radar.

Starbuzz wrote on Thu, 01 November 2007 12:48 And they have to test it in adverse weather conditions and see how it affects the cloaking technology.

LOL, a snowflake floats in front of the camera and makes it look like a giant snowflake.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years

Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 20:47:00 GMT

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Stank rush!

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 20:56:15 GMT

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Posted by [_SSnipe_](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 21:02:18 GMT
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Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 21:03:13 GMT
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I know what I want for my birthday.

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I think it's England. They mentioned the Ministry of Defense.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [m1a1_abrams](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 21:05:37 GMT
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Wow, Red Alert 2 predicted the future. The Allied Mirage tank was rather obviously based on the Challenger.

<http://www.cnc-source.com/forums/index.php?autocom=gallery&req=si&img=27> 20

I mean, OK, it doesn't exactly work the same way, but if they tested it in front of a tree it would...

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:17:02 GMT
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Heh, I've already been through this, I imagine if you looked through IR goggles or whatever at it, it would just be a huge blur, and draw loads of attention to itself. Still a cool idea though.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:22:58 GMT
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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:25:34 GMT
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Why are you trying to microwave Cheez Whiz?

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:34:31 GMT
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Jecht wrote on Thu, 01 November 2007 16:25Why are you trying to microwave Cheez Whiz?

It tastes great on baked potato's, along with spicy paprika, and sliced onion bits.

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Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:40:35 GMT
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I wonder if they are going to make a Mammoth Tank ./ But for real...It's too slow and vulnerable to RPG, Missile Fire.

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Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Thu, 01 Nov 2007 22:46:30 GMT
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sadukar09 wrote on Thu, 01 November 2007 16:40

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I normally hate it too. But I just got sick and tired of just margarine or sour cream, and it doesn't help that I have had to up my starch intake.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [jimmyny](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 00:48:10 GMT
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Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Renx](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 01:26:50 GMT
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The IR systems don't really matter that much. It would still take someone with a keen eye or automated systems set up to cover your position from all angles to see it coming. I doubt they're even shooting for tanks they can park in the woods and never find again.

Then you have to think about who these tanks will be combatting. It's been over 60 years since two superpowers faught each other. The likelihood of these being used against an enemy with any sort of sophisticated equipment is low. The taliban can't shoot RPGs at what they can't see.

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Posted by [Sn1per74*](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 03:04:41 GMT
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Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 03:10:26 GMT
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Get me a plasma caster and some wrist blades...and I will sign up for that! It's always been my dream to be predator.

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I lol'd , Wee..

Yeah, GDI ain't that bitchin', Nod is the shit.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 04:06:52 GMT
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Usually in the military world, the term "addressed" translates to having a fully functional prototype that "addresses" or solves most concerns that were raised during concept stage. So, in that

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Look nowhere other than the prestigious American Land Warrior program! Here was a concept that stood to utilize futuristic electronics and gadgets making a single soldier into a well-informed cyborg. You know what happened to the utter shock of the military community?

Here click:

Toggle SpoilerIt got CANCELLED this year because they could not make the gun and computer gear weigh any less!

So there you go...you NEVER know when a problem will arise and when it does, especially in the military-industrial complex, you better have the time, the money, the patience of the military, and the politicians (politicians = money) on your side.

The Land Warrior program is the best and most recent example of the massive challenges involved in developing and mass producing new concepts and technology.

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Try Velveeta, It will melt properly....and stay away from cheese in a can.

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Posted by [liquidv2](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 06:03:40 GMT
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if britain actually uses this people will just call em stealth n00bs
canned cheese = gross ~D;

dear god, if they get it working for soldiers i'll just start laughing, cuz there will literally be sbh
snipers

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LMFAO nikki gets pwned again

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would, so puffing up your chest with that little tidbit has no bearing whatsoever on what I said.

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Again, enough with the puffery. My remark about the DPRK was merely political rhetoric.

I understand what delays do to projects. I work for a machine builder. I know what delays occur and how much they push back projects.

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Correct, but me siding with the Ministry of Defense's estimate has nothing to do with knowledge of military developments, but rather listening to a government military that you agreed to knowing more than you. If you're going to admit that they know more than you, then you have to concede that they've probably thrown in estimates for delays.

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StarbuzzBlah blah blah, cancelled project, blah blah blah...

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Nothing is a walk in the park. To assume that I even assume that is ignorance, as well.

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Have a nice day.

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Chest warts

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cr0sis wrote on Fri, 02 November 2007 11:47Chest warts

You got some?

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 17:53:34 GMT
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I said "fuck" once. It's the way I talk. If you have a problem with it, get the fuck over it or ignore it. To assume I'm "breaking" under pressure is absurd. If I wanted to dodge your arguments, I would have resorted to ad hominem.

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [troopr02](#) on Fri, 02 Nov 2007 21:22:11 GMT
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Doubt it, lol, sounds about the same time ren2 will prob come out, live action scenes ftw?

Subject: Re: Stealth Tanks within 5 years
Posted by [bat66wat6](#) on Sun, 04 Nov 2007 14:52:24 GMT
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Well....I have always wondered! GDI seems to be significantly behind in technology compared to NOD...As nod has made many many Advances such as Stealth Cloacking technology E.G STEALTH TANKS/SBH

They have also harnessed lazer technology and mastered it in the form of weapons whilst GDI has mainly seemed to focus on Ionic based technology such as Personnel Ion Cannons and the all famous Ion Cannon Satellite-->

What i am stating here is that for a worldwide Multi-Billion dollar defensive movement they are

behind in the latest forms of combat against NOD!

GDI hasn't even researched stealth cloaking technology and tried to apply to some of there existing weapons like Tanks!

WHY NOT!?! If GDI mastered such technology's as NOD has then they would find it alot easier to defend and protect the Planet from NOD and it's endless effort to dominate it!
