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REUTERS, 4 Aug

"Caracas, Venezuela, Aug 4 (Reuters)- United States experts and Venezuelan Police today examined a North American space capsule found by villagers near the Colombian Border.

"News of the discovery in the Guarimito area north of the Andean town of Cristobal was brought to Caracas by the pilot of a photo survey airplane.

"He said the villagers saw the object fall some weeks ago. They stripped the capsule of camera apparatus and other equipment.

"One villager used nylon cords to make reins for his horse.

"The capsule measures about one by two yards and bears the date Nov 24, 1963."

UPI

"Caracas Venezuela - - A 'strange object' which fell from the sky near remote Venezuelan village last month has been identified as a U.S. satellite, it was reported today.

"Two U.S. Army officers who went to the Colombian-Border village of La Fria Tuesday identified the 175-pound object as American through contract numbers on a radio set, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said."

AP, 5 Aug

"Caracas, Venezuela, Aug 5 (AP). United States military investigators yesterday headed for a remote mountain village accessible only on foot, where peasants have discovered an American space instrument package.

"Peasants found the apparatus 23 days ago and began using parachute strands for donkey harnesses. Venezuelan authorities got word of the find and notified American officials. The United States Embassy said the device fell in Tachira State, near the Colombian border. It contained cameras, radio transmitters and other scientific instruments marked secret."

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