The trailer has appeared on-line!

Funny, we were never aware of SUPER 1 through 7 being released… But seriously, there’s been a lot on-line buzz about SUPER 8, a new project from J.J. Abrams (pictured) and Steven Spielberg whose trailer debuted last night at midnight attached to IRON MAN 2, but not much in the way of confirmed details.

The Hollywood Reporter’s Heat Vision blog got an early look at the preview and describes it as “quick, visceral and creepy,” though it doesn’t reveal anything concrete about the plot, which has been said to involve kids shooting Super-8 movies in 1979 and capturing something sinister on film. (The idea was inspired by Spielberg and Abrams’ discussions of their childhoods shooting home movies.) Despite this premise, SUPER 8 will apprently not be filmed in the handheld vérité style of the Abrams-produced CLOVERFIELD (which similarly began its buzz with a mysterious trailer attached to TRANSFORMERS).

And according to Variety , the trailer opens with the text: “In 1979, the U.S. Air Force closed a section of Area 51. All the materials were to be a transported to a secure facility in Ohio,” followed by glimpses of a train/pickup truck crash, and a U.S. Air Force container with something trying to get out among the wreckage. Abrams has written SUPER 8 and will direct it this fall, and is also producing it with his Bad Robot partner Bryan Burk and Spielberg; Paramount will release the movie, which is budgeted in the $45-50-million range, next summer.

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