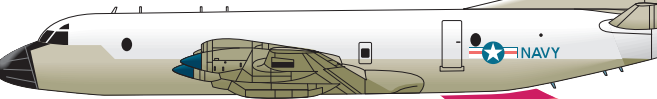


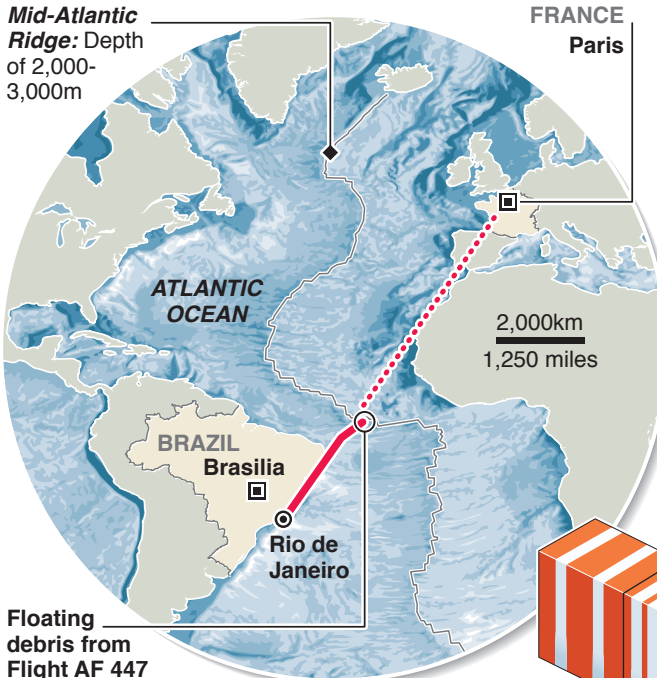
Search for AF 447's black box

A U.S. surveillance plane equipped with specialist radar and a French mini-submarine capable of operating at a depth of 6,000m will assist in the daunting operation to retrieve the flight data recorders, but experts warn they may never be found



LOCKHEED P-3C ORION
Crew: Up to 24 people.
Capable of flying for at least 12 hours at range of 5,000km

Wing span: 30.38 metres
Length: 35.61 metres



Floating debris from Flight AF 447 spread over two areas around 60km apart

Underwater Locator Beacon:
Battery lasts up to 30 days

