United EX Story #1 - "The Might Bolt" Translation

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"The Mighty Bolt"
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Translation

It is the 21st century. The never-ending war of the Transformers had once again shifted its stage to outer space, and it seemed as if a moment of peace had returned to the Earth. Yet even then, the Autobots were preparing themselves for the possible threat of a Decepticon attack, working together with the scientists of Earth to develop new armaments.

The system known as “Power Core Combination” was a new method designed to allow one Autobot to combine with four drones possessing a range of abilities, forming artificial limbs around the “core” of the Autobot’s body. The prototype Energon Matrix installed within them would regulate and unify this power, effectively creating a new warrior. The first candidate for the process was an Autobot born on Zone. A covert operations specialist who had become recognized for his stealth capabilities, upon successfully combining with the drones and achieving Prime Mode, he was given the codename “Jetmaster.”

It was the first day of field testing. Combined into Prime Mode, the sight of Jetmaster effortlessly defeating the training Novabots evoked recollections of Optimus Prime’s might in battle with the Decepticons.

“Not bad! This power puts me right up there with Optimus! I was right when I figured you Earthlings knew what you were doing.”

Jetmaster’s cheerful banter seemed forced as he tried to mask his actual amazement.
“Enough sneaking around, already. Any ‘Cons show up, I’ll take the lot of ‘em down myself!”

The development team marveled at the success of the project…
“The results of the experiment are just as we’d hoped. But knowing the Decepticons, I’m concerned that this power may be too great for them to overlook.”

As Professor Chase spoke, he considered the grave situation that could result from a single error in the use of this immense power, and felt a moment of uncertainty pass over him.

Jetmaster
Function: Spy
[Prime Mode]
Strength 5
9
Intelligence
7
7
Speed 9
10
Endurance 4
8
Rank 6
6

Courage 6
8
Fireblast 6
9
Skill 9
10
Total 52
67

Jetmaster:
A spy from Planet Zone who excels at reconnaissance with his stealth abilities. His jet mode boasts impressive speed.

Zone Drone:
A spy jet drone capable of flight even in space. Transforms into an arm.

Feminia Drone:
A helicopter drone specializing in rescue functions. Transforms into an arm.

Micro Drone:
A combat helicopter drone that can spin up whirlwinds. Transforms into a leg.

Tenth Drone:
A fighter jet drone that can fire a rainbow-colored beam. Transforms into a leg.

Jetmaster Prime Mode:
The warrior formed from the first successful Power Core Combination. Designed based on data from the Aerialbots, its combined form is so swift and mobile that its movements appear as a blur to the naked eye.

The Allspark’s comments

The story of the Power Core Combiners will be continued on the back of each package, focusing on that character's/characters' interaction with the plot.

As can be seen, there are a number of references back to the G1 cartoon shows, both US and Japanese. Perhaps easiest for US fans to pick out is the return of the Autobots' human ally, Chip Chase! Now a professor, it seems that Chip has graduated from tearing up computer disks with his bare hands and moved onto creating massively powerful armaments for the Autobots.

Jetmaster originally comes from the planet Zone (which was once known as the planet Micro, before extensive defense systems bulked up the planet's surface), the home planet of the Micromasters in the Transformers: Zone anime. As an extension of this, the limb drone names are also taken from Zone; there's Zone Drone and Micro Drone which have already been explained. Then there's Feminia Drone. Feminia first appeared in The Story of Super Robot Life Forms manga, then again appeared in Transformers: Headmaster cartoon. However in Zone, Feminia became a battleground between Violen Jiger's Generals and the Autobots, as the heroes tried to stop the Decepticons from finding the Zodiac Energy source. The Tenth Drone takes its name from the Tenth Planet, a planet in the Milky Way undiscovered until Zone. It was the birthplace of Violen Jiger, where the souls of many deceased Decepticons merged together to form an immense evil. Later with the Zodiac Power, the Autobots defeated Violen Jiger with their "Rainbow Powered Attack" and transformed the Tenth Planet into a paradise. Which would be why the Tenth Drone has a rainbow-colored attack.

So then just who is Jetmaster? A blue and gold expert spy from the Planet Zone, and a story title like "The Mighty Bolt", would have one thinking that he just might be Tread Bolt from the Micromaster Sky Patrol Team.