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REVEALS ELLE FANNING STARRING IN APPARENT 'DEATH STRANDING' SEQUEL

Hideo Kojima has been teasing a new project for a while now, but he can't seem to avoid leaks continuing to come out that it's actually a Death Stranding sequel. First, star Norman Reedus pretty much just said outright that the next game was being worked on. Today, a Kojima producer posted a QT of a Kojima tease that straight up had a #Death-Stranding hashtag:

The tweet in question has Hideo Kojima detailing some sort of reveal process for this next project, even if we're skipping ahead to the end with all these leaks.

First, at the Tokyo Game Show he was teasing the shadow portrait image that fans eventually deciphered as being actress Elle Fanning, which Kojima has now confirmed.

Now, Kojima is saying that there "WHERE" of the project will be revealed at PAX, which is this weekend. I'm not sure if that means the physical location where the game is set, or what.

Then, there's some other tease where he will reveal the final stage of this, but he won't say where, and what exactly it's revealing. It's probably no big leap to imagine he will head to his good friend Geoff Keighley's Game Awards show in December to do a big WORLD PREMIERE of this, which again, everyone assumes is a Death Stranding sequel in some form.

It's not a huge surprise that Kojima would recruit another Hollywood actress for a big role in a Death Stranding sequel. The original Stranding's cast was led by Norman Reedus, Mads Mikkelsen and Lea Seydoux, all film/TV stars, a bit of a departure from many years of Metal Gear Solid. Elle Fanning has done a stellar job in Hulu's The Great recently, and was mildly terrifying in The Girl from Plainville. My favorite part she's had was probably The Neon Demon back in 2016. In any case, she's a great recruit and possible star for a new Death Stranding, or whatever this ends up being, if it's somehow not that, despite all these clues.

So, it seems like we will have more information on what's going on here before the end of the week, but with one more reveal to come, again, likely in December at The Game Awards, we may not understand the full scope of the project until then. If it is a Death Stranding sequel, that IP is owned by Sony, so this would not be the project Kojima is working on with Microsoft. If it's not, then maybe it is. We'll find out by the end of the year for sure, it looks like.

