9/11: EVIDENCE OF COMPLICITY AND COVER-UP AT THE PENTAGON
Probable cause that Vice President Cheney, Solicitor General Olson, Defense Secretary Rumsfeld, and others were involved

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Evidence that the official account of September 11, 2001 (9/11) is false

The 9/11 Commission Report states (p.10): “At 9:37:46, American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into the Pentagon, traveling at approximately 530 miles per hour.”

The Pentagon Building Performance Report states (p.14): “A Pentagon security camera located near the northwest corner of the building recorded the aircraft as it approached the building. Five photographs (fig. 3.3 – 3.7), taken approximately one second apart, show the approaching aircraft and the ensuing fireball associated with the initial impact. The first photograph (fig. 3.3) captured an image of the aircraft when it was approximately 320 ft (approximately 0.42 second) from impact with the west wall of the Pentagon. Two photographs (fig. 3.3 and 3.7), when compared, seem to show that the top of the fuselage of the aircraft was no more than approximately 20 ft above the ground when the first photograph of this series was taken.”

The evidence shows that these statements — from The 9/11 Commission Report and The Pentagon Building Performance Report — are false. Specifically:

1 - Eyewitness accounts of CNN’s Senior Pentagon Correspondent Jamie McIntyre, Arlington County Police Department’s “first incident commander” Lt. Robert Medairos, Lt. Col. Kwiatowski, and Pentagon employee April Gallop refute the official account of 9/11;

2 - The FBI’s exhibit P200054 in the trial of the alleged 20th hijacker Zacarias Moussaoui contradicts the account of the U.S. Solicitor General regarding phone calls from his wife allegedly on board Flight 77;

3 - The U.S. Department of Defense transcript of the September 12, 2001 News Briefing by Assistant Secretary of Defense, Victoria Clarke, Ed Plaugher (fire chief of Arlington County), and others, does not mention “American Airlines”, "Flight 77", "Boeing 757";

4 - The U.S. Department of Defense transcript of the September 15, 2001 News Briefing by Mr. Lee Evey, Pentagon Renovation Manager, Rear Adm. Craig R. Quigley, deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, and others, expresses doubts about what struck the Pentagon on September 11;
6 - Reports of an explosion at the Pentagon, and the presence of Fort Myer Fire Department Unit 161 at the Pentagon minutes before the alleged strike by “Flight 77” indicate that the fire and damage at the Pentagon may have had another cause;

7 - The Pentagon Building Performance Report, and the Arlington County After-Action Report show damage that is not consistent with a strike by a Boeing 757, but is consistent with one or more explosions;

8 - The Flight Data Recorder data provided by the National Transportation Safety Board pursuant to a Freedom of Information request does not support the official account;

9 - The alleged pilot of Flight 77 Hani Hanjour couldn’t possibly have flown a Boeing 757 on the alleged flight path to the Pentagon;

10 - Flight 77 could not have withstood the 34 G-force that it would have experienced along the alleged flight path — it would have crashed on the ground in front of the Pentagon, but the debris found there does not support this scenario.

Evidence supporting the preceding statements is presented in my book 9/11 Unveiled, and in my presentation at the 911 Vancouver Hearings on June 15, 2012. Both of these contain links to further evidence including photos, videos, transcripts, reports.

Probable cause that the individuals named below were part of a common plan, or aided and abetted, or participated in, or covered-up a common plan and conspiracy in the events of September 11, 2001

Name: Richard B. Cheney
Title (At the time of 9/11): Vice President, U.S.
Incriminating evidence: Mr. Cheney contravened a presidential order that “authorized the shooting down of commercial aircraft that were suspected to be controlled by terrorists”. He may have done this to protect a fake attack on the Pentagon during the course of the many war games and exercises being conducted on September 11, 2001.

In a public hearing on May 23, 2003, before the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States (9/11 Commission), there’s the following question from 9/11 Commission Vice Chairman Lee Hamilton, and the response of Norman Y. Mineta, Former Secretary of Transportation:

MR. HAMILTON: We thank you for that. I wanted to focus just a moment on the Presidential Emergency Operating Center. You were there for a good part of the day. I think you were there with the vice president. And when you had that order given, I think it was by the president, that authorized the shooting down of commercial aircraft that
were suspected to be controlled by terrorists, were you there when that order was given?

MR. MINETA: No, I was not. I was made aware of it during the time that the airplane coming into the Pentagon. There was a young man who had come in and said to the vice president, “The plane is 50 miles out. The plane is 30 miles out.” And when it got down to, “The plane is 10 miles out,” the young man also said to the vice president, “Do the orders still stand?” And the vice president turned and whipped his neck around and said, “Of course the orders still stand. Have you heard anything to the contrary?”

The only reasonable interpretation of Mr. Cheney’s order is “do not shoot”. This contravened President Bush’s order — the shooting down of commercial aircraft that were suspected to be controlled by terrorists, and left the Pentagon open to attack.

Since September 11, 2001 to the present, then/former Vice President Cheney has supported and promoted the false account of 9/11. He played a major role in launching the U.S. war on Afghanistan knowing that the evidence did not support the rationale for war that was presented by President George W. Bush to Americans and others.


Name: Theodore Olson
Title (At the time of 9/11): Solicitor General of the U.S.
Incriminating evidence: FBI Exhibit P200054 from the trial of Zacarias Moussaoui contradicts the Solicitor General's account of phone calls from Flight 77. The FBI exhibit shows that Barbara Olson made only one phone call. That call did not connect, and it lasted for 0 seconds.

However, in a front page article on September 12, 2001 — On Flight 77: 'Our Plane Is Being Hijacked' — Marc Fisher and Don Phillips of the Washington Post reported that Barbara K. Olson called her husband twice in the final minutes before the crash of Flight 77. The FBI contradicts this account.

According to the Washington Post, Olson's last words to her husband were, "What do I tell the pilot to do? "She called from the plane while it was being hijacked," said Theodore Olson — 42nd Solicitor General of the United States. "I wish it wasn't so, but it is." "The two conversations each lasted about a minute, said Tim O'Brien, a CNN reporter and friend of the Olsons."

Mr. Olson repeated his account of phone calls from his wife Barbara Olson during an interview with Barbara Walters on ABC, and with Larry King on CNN. Mr. Olson’s claim
of phone calls from his wife on board a hijacked plane may be the earliest “confirmation”
of an aircraft hijacked on September 11, 2001, and helped sell the false account of
Flight 77 and 9/11.

On November 17, 2009 I asked Mr. Olson (tolson@gibsondunn.com) to comment on the
fact that his account of phone calls from Barbara Olson is contradicted by FBI Exhibit
P200054 in the trial of Zacarias Moussaouli. Mr. Olson did not respond.

Reference: (1) Ted Olson with Barbara Walters on ABC, September 2001 http://
www.youtube.com/watch?v=4xDarPT2KdA (2) Ted Olson with Larry King on CNN http://
www.youtube.com/watch?v=U9FEF7Cfqsk&feature=related

Name: Donald Rumsfeld
Title (At the time of 9/11): U.S. Secretary of Defense
Incriminating evidence: Two days after 9/11, Donald Rumsfeld stated on ABC’s Good
Morning America, “The plane came in ... between about the first and second floor ... And it went in through three rings. I’m told the nose is — is still in there, very close to the inner courtyard, about one ring away.” However, there’s no hard evidence of Flight 77, a Boeing 757, having struck the Pentagon.

Mr. Rumsfeld’s account is also contradicted by: CNN’s Jamie McIntyre who reported
from the Pentagon on 9/11; Arlington County Police Department’s incident commander
Robert Medairos; eyewitnesses Lt. Col. Kwiatowski and Pentagon employee April
Gallop; U.S. Department of Defense transcript of the September 12, 2001 News
Briefing by Assistant Secretary of Defense, Victoria Clarke, Ed Plaugher (fire chief of
Arlington County) that does not mention "American Airlines", "Flight 77", "Boeing 757";
U.S. Department of Defense transcript of the September 15, 2001 News Briefing by Mr.
Lee Evey, Pentagon Renovation Manager, Rear Adm. Craig R. Quigley, deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Public Affairs that expresses doubts about what
struck the Pentagon on September 11; reports of an explosion at the Pentagon, and the
presence of Fort Myer Fire Department Unit 161 at the Pentagon minutes before the
alleged strike by “Flight 77” indicate that the fire and damage at the Pentagon may have
had another cause.

Reference: (1) ABC’s Good Morning America http://archive.org/details/
sept_11_tv_archive (2) Enver Masud’s presentation at the 911 Commission Hearings

Name: Leonard Downie Jr.
Title (At the time of 9/11): Executive Editor, The Washington Post
Incriminating evidence: On the front page of the Washington Post, September 12,
2001, there was an article regarding Solicitor General Olson receiving phone calls from
his wife Barbara K. Olson on board American Airlines Flight 77. For Mr. Olson’s account
to appear on the front page of the *Washington Post* on September 12, 2001 indicates that the Post was part of the 9/11 cover-up and propaganda from the beginning.

On March 3, 2005, in a letter to Mr. Downie Jr, Milton Coleman, Deputy Managing Editor, Bob Woodward, Assistant Managing Editor, and Michael Getler, Ombudsman, I wrote, “After analyzing publicly available evidence over the past three years, I have come to the conclusion that it is very unlikely that a Boeing 757 crashed into the Pentagon on September 11.”

I presented my qualifications as an engineering management consultant, and pointed out that at the September 12, 2001 News Briefing Flight 77 was not mentioned, at the September 15 News Briefing doubts were expressed about what struck the Pentagon. I also stated in the March 3, 2005 letter “As for the 19 alleged hijackers, their names do not appear on Associated Press’ “partial list of victims” on the four hijacked flights; on September 20, 2001 FBI Director Robert S. Mueller acknowledged, “the identity of several of the suicide hijackers is in doubt”; on September 23, 2001 the BBC revealed that four of the hijack “suspects” were alive and well. The Post did not respond.

On December 5, 2009, in an email to Andrew Alexander, Ombudsman, Washington Post stating that both accounts of Barbara Olson’s phone calls — the Solicitor General’s and the prosecution’s in United States v. Zacarias Moussaoui — cannot be correct. Mr. Alexander responded, “I will forward your e-mail to The Post's National desk, so they are aware of the issue you've raised.” The Post did not follow up with me, and I have not seen any correction issued by the Post.


**Name: Philip D. Zelikow**  
**Title (At the time of 9/11): President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board**  
**Incriminating evidence:** *The 9/11 Commission Report* was not an investigation. It was a cover-up operation. Mr. Zelikow controlled the 9/11 Commission’s access to witnesses. Witness accounts and data that did not fit the official theory were excluded, eg. reported explosion in Pentagon, and absence of hard evidence of Flight 77 parts.

By March 2003, with the commission's staff barely in place, two men (Philip Zelikow, Executive Director, The 9/11 Commission, and Ernest R. May, a Harvard historian) had prepared a detailed outline, complete with “chapter headings, subheadings, and sub-subheadings” of the final report according to *New York Times* reporter Philip Shenon.

The 9/11 Commission's Chair Thomas H. Kean and Vice Chair Lee H. Hamilton in their book, *Without Precedent: The Inside Story of the 9/11 Commission*, write that they were “setup to fail”. Sen. Max Cleland resigned from the 9/11 Commission saying, “It’s a scam”. Sen. Bob Kerrey “threatened to resign”.

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Mr. Zelikow served on the National Security Council under George H. W. Bush, on the George W. Bush transition team, and he coauthored a book with President Bush’s National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice. The Bush administration did not want an investigation.


Name: Victoria Clarke
Title (At the time of 9/11): Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs)
Incriminating evidence: On September 12, 2001, Ms. Clarke, with the world’s news media assembled at the Pentagon on the day after the alleged attack on the Pentagon by Arab hijackers flying American Airlines Flight 77 — a Boeing 757 — “American Airlines”, “Flight 77”, “Boeing 757” were not considered important enough to mention at the Pentagon News Briefing the day after the alleged attack.

The transcript of the DoD News Briefing reveals that reporters were being “threatened or, in fact, handcuffed and dragged away” from the “Flight 77” crash site. Ms. Clarke covered up the fact that there was no hard evidence of a Boeing 757 having struck the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. Indeed, she continues to promote the false account of 9/11.


Name: Mr. Lee Evey
Title (At the time of 9/11): Pentagon Renovation Manager
Incriminating evidence: Mr. Evey participated in the cover-up of what happened at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. On September 15, 2001, at a DoD News Briefing, Mr. Evey stated, “The plane actually penetrated through the E ring, C ring — excuse me — E ring, D ring, C ring.”

Mr. Evey’s statement is false. The nose of Flight 77, a Boeing 757, could not possibly have penetrated “three rings” of the Pentagon, and there’s no hard evidence of a Boeing 757 having struck the Pentagon.

Name: Robert S. Mueller, III  
**Title (At the time of 9/11):** Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
**Incriminating evidence:** Mr. Mueller, as reported by BBC News on September 23, 2001, acknowledged that “the identity of several of the suicide hijackers is in doubt.” On April 19, 2002, at the prestigious Commonwealth Club in San Francisco, Mr. Mueller stated, “In our investigation, we have not uncovered a single piece of paper – in the U.S. or in Afghanistan – that mentioned any aspect of the September 11th plot.” Yet he has not objected to the attack on Afghanistan — based upon the U.S. claim that Osama Bin Laden, based in Afghanistan, was responsible for 9/11.

The FBI’s Most Wanted Terrorists web page continued to state that Bin Laden was not wanted for the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. It stated: “Usama Bin Laden is wanted in connection with the August 7, 1998, bombings of the United States Embassies in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and Nairobi, Kenya. These attacks killed over 200 people. In addition, Bin Laden is a suspect in other terrorist attacks throughout the world.” It did not mention the biggest attack on the U.S. mainland — 9/11.

When asked why there is no mention of 9/11 on the FBI's web page, Rex Tomb, the FBI's Chief of Investigative Publicity, is reported to have said, “The reason why 9/11 is not mentioned on Usama Bin Laden's Most Wanted page is because the FBI has no hard evidence connecting Bin Laden to 9/11.”

The evidence shows that Bin Laden and 19 Muslim hijackers could not have planned and executed the events of 9/11 — i.e. the destruction of World Trade Center 1, 2 and 7, and crashing Flight 77 into the Pentagon.

Mr. Mueller and the FBI continue to support the false account of 9/11, which was the basis for launching the war on Afghanistan, while admitting that “the FBI has no hard evidence connecting Bin Laden to 9/11.”

Reference: (1) [http://www.twf.org/News/Y2006/0608-BinLaden.html](http://www.twf.org/News/Y2006/0608-BinLaden.html) (2) [http://www.commonwealthclub.org/archive/02/02-04mueller-speech.html](http://www.commonwealthclub.org/archive/02/02-04mueller-speech.html)

Name: Unknown  
**Title (At the time of 9/11):** Unknown, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
**Incriminating evidence:** On September 12, 2001, the *Washington Post* reported: “At one point, a column of 50 FBI officers walked shoulder-to-shoulder across the south grounds of the Pentagon, picking up debris and stuffing it into brown bags. The lawn was scattered with chunks of the airplane, some up to four feet across.”

Why were the “50 FBI officers” disturbing the crime scene on September 11, 2001? Who gave them the order to do pick up the debris? It would appear that these 50 officers,
and the person who gave them the order to pick up the debris, may have violated laws concerning preserving the crime scene.


Name: Jamie McIntyre
Title (At the time of 9/11): Senior Pentagon Correspondent, CNN
Incriminating evidence: Just minutes after the attack, standing in front of the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, Jamie McIntyre, reported: “From my close up inspection there's no evidence of a plane having crashed anywhere near the Pentagon. . . . . The only pieces left that you can see are small enough that you could pick up in your hand. There are no large tail sections, wing sections, fuselage — nothing like that anywhere around which would indicate that the entire plane crashed into the side of the Pentagon. . . . It wasn't till about 45 minutes later . . . that all of the floors collapsed.”

Mr. McIntyre, knowing that there was no evidence of Flight 77 having crashed into the Pentagon, remained silent while the U.S. launched the October 7, 2001 attack on Afghanistan. Indeed, he later retracted his statement of September 11, 2001 saying that he had been taken out of context.


Name: Jay Fisette
Title (At the time of 9/11): Chairman, Arlington County Board
Incriminating evidence: The Arlington County After-Action Report prepared under Mr. Fisette’s supervision appears to intentionally leave out facts that would lead one to a different conclusion than that drawn by the The 9/11 Commission and is part of the cover-up of what happened at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.

“In 2001 Mr. Fisette oversaw the County response to the terrorist attack on the Pentagon.... Arlington County After-Action Report (AAR) describes the activities of Arlington County and the supporting jurisdictions, government agencies, and other organizations in response to the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack on the Pentagon.”

The AAR does not include the statement by Ed Plaugher, Fire Chief, Arlington County, that, "there are some small pieces of aircraft ... there's no fuselage sections and that sort of thing." (DoD News Briefing, September 12, 2001)

Mr. Plaugher’s statement was confirmed by Lt. Medairos, Arlington County Police Department, Watch Commander for the day, who stated, "They said it was a plane, and
I didn't see any pieces of any plane, and I couldn't believe a plane hit the building." Mr. Medairos’ statement is not included in the AAR. (ABC 7, Washington, D.C. September 13, 2001, 3:25 PM)

The Arlington County After-Action Report, Appendix 1, 24-Hour Timeline, also omits mention of Arlington County Fire Department Engine 102 and Engine 107 which were photographed at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. What their crews saw, and what the crew of Fort Myer Fire Department Unit 161 saw, may confirm the reported explosion at the Pentagon prior to the alleged crash of Flight 77.


Name: Edward P. (Ed) Plaugher
Title (At the time of 9/11): Fire Chief, Arlington County, Virginia
Incriminating evidence: On September 12, 2001, Mr. Plaugher, with the world's news media assembled at the Pentagon on the day after the alleged attack on the Pentagon by Arab hijackers flying American Airlines Flight 77 — a Boeing 757 — "American Airlines", "Flight 77", "Boeing 757" were not considered important enough to mention at the Pentagon News Briefing the day after the alleged attack."

At the Department of Defense news briefing with Victoria Clarke, Plaugher stated, "there are some small pieces of aircraft ... there’s no fuselage sections and that sort of thing." When asked, "Chief, there are small pieces of the plane virtually all over, out over the highway, tiny pieces. Would you say the plane exploded, virtually exploded on impact due to the fuel", Plaugher reponded, "You know, I'd rather not comment on that."

The transcript reveals that reporters were being "threatened or, in fact, handcuffed and dragged away" from the "Flight 77" crash site, and I (Enver Masud) showed in my presentation at the 911 Vancouver Hearings, there’s no hard evidence of a Boeing 757 having struck the Pentagon.

Mr. Plaugher, knowing that there were “no fuselage sections and that sort of thing” at the Pentagon, remained silent while the U.S. launched the October 7, 2001 attack on Afghanistan. He has not challenged the false account of 9/11 contained in the Arlington County After-Action Report.

Name: Robert Medairos  
Title (At the time of 9/11): Lt. Medairos, Arlington County Police Department  
Incriminating evidence: Lt. Medairos, first incident commander at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, stated on ABC 7, Washington, D.C. (September 13, 2001, 3:25 PM), “They said it was a plane, and I didn't see any pieces of any plane, and I couldn't believe a plane hit the building.”

Lt. Medairos was introduced to the news media by Edward Flynn, Police Chief Arlington County, Virginia, with Fire Chief Plaugher, Arlington County, Virginia, standing beside him. Lt. Medairos’ statement, omitted from the Arlington County After-Action Report, supports the cover-up.


Name: Dennis Gilroy  
Title (At the time of 9/11): Captain, Foam 161, Fort Myer Fire Department  
Incriminating evidence: At 9:38 a.m. on September 11, only one fire crew, Foam 161 of the Fort Myer Fire Department, knew the exact location of the crash site. Captain Dennis Gilroy and his team were already on station at the Pentagon when Flight #77 slammed into it, . . . Captain Gilroy called the Fort Myer Fire Department, reporting for the first time the actual location of the crash.

Mr. Gilroy, called to an event at the Pentagon prior to the alleged strike by Flight 77, has not challenged the omission of Foam 161 from the 24-Hour Timeline of events at the Pentagon contained in the Arlington County After-Action Report. Debris seen in a photo of Unit 161, and the "slab deflected upward" in the Pentagon Building Performance Report (p. 53), are consistent with an explosion inside the Pentagon prior to the alleged strike by Flight 77.