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MR. MIKE WILLIAMS

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Subject: FILE NUMBER 265A-NY-280350

FOIPA No. 1115671-000

Dear Mr. Williams:

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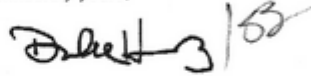
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Sincerely yours,

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Section Chief
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Enclosure(s)

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Date: 09/22/2001

To: All Field Offices
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Attn: Personal Attention SACs
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From: Counterterrorism
ITOS/RFU/UBLU/Room 5328
Contact: SIOC CP, [redacted]

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Case ID #: (U) 265A-NY-280350 (Pending)

Title: (U) PENTTBOMB
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Synopsis: (LES) SUMMARY 11: This communication provides recipients with the current daily summary of information gleaned from the PENTTBOMB investigation.

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Details: (LES) The following provides recipients with information obtained, to date, from the PENTTBOMB investigation. Recipients are advised that this communication contains

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information previously provided, as well as information recently obtained, in the course of this investigation.

Headquarters Related Information

(LES) Former Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John P. O'Neill has been positively identified among the victims found at the World Trade Center site. There has been no new developments pertaining to Special Agent Bomb Technician [REDACTED]

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(LES) SIOC now has a mechanism to review credit cards. If there is a "hit" on the credit card, SIOC will notify the affected field office where the credit card has been utilized.

(LES) All field offices are requested to review parking lot and surveillance camera records for 9/10/2001. Some of the subjects or associates may have been at the airport on the day before the incidents.

Field Office Related Information

Atlanta

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) As of 4:00 pm on 9/21/2001, the toll-free hotline has received 12,723 calls.

Baltimore

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) [REDACTED] has been identified as an individual who abandoned his luggage at a College Park, MD, motel on 9/11/2001 and who had reportedly been seen in the company of [REDACTED] (UA Flt. #93). On 9/18/2001, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Investigation
continuing.

(LES/OC) FBI BA consensually recorded a conversation
between a Cooperating Witness and [REDACTED]

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attacks. Computer hard drives provided by [REDACTED] had been erased
on or before 9/11/2001. Future consensually monitored calls will
be attempted. Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) FBI BA has determined that [REDACTED]
may be traveling in the near future (NFI).

(LES/OC) FBI BA reported three incidents wherein males
of Middle Eastern descent were in possession of, or attempting to
gain possession of, vehicles bearing Department of Defense
parking stickers. FBI BA will attempt to identify these
individuals. Results will be provided to SIOC and appropriate
field offices.

(LES/OC) Previous FBI BA investigation identified a
female who was allegedly observed dining on two occasions with
[REDACTED] at the Olive Garden restaurant in
Laurel, MD. Based on photo identification, FBI BA tentatively
identified this female as [REDACTED]

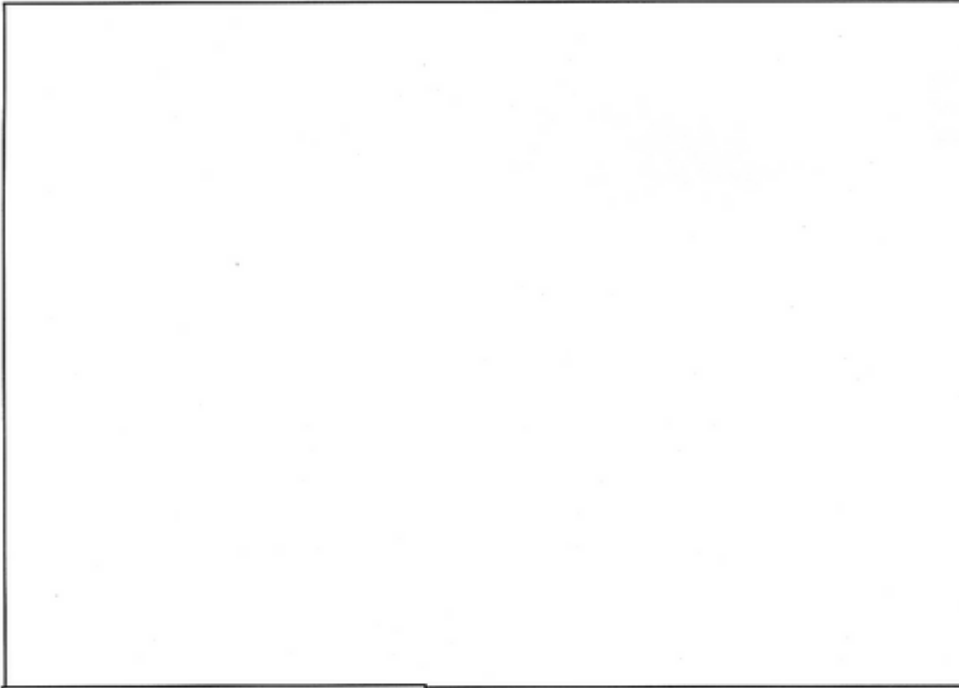
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Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, FBI BA was advised of suspicious activity in the vicinity of the Newcastle County (Delaware) Airport. Investigation was conducted that resulted in arrests by local law enforcement of four Middle Eastern males, identified as [redacted]



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These individuals have been interviewed by FBI BA. Their stories appear to be legitimate and their employment has been

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corroborated by their employers. All four subjects are currently under detention by INS Philadelphia for being out of status. Investigation continuing.

Boston

Investigative Efforts:

(FBI/OC) On 09/22/2001, INS Detroit advised that a Northwest Airlines Flight #345 en route to Logan International Airport (LIA) in Boston was deplaned because the cockpit door strike plate was missing. Initial investigation determined that the strike plate was in place prior to landing in Detroit. One theory is that the plane was prepared for a terrorist takeover at some point on 9/22/2001 in Boston. That plane was scheduled on 9/22/2001 to fly to San Francisco via Detroit. FBI Boston (FBI BS) is obtaining the manifest of the flight to review it for names on the Security Directives List. Results of investigation will be provided to SIOC and appropriate field offices.

(LES/OC) Investigation by FBI BS has determined that a photograph obtained from the vehicle of [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) appears to be identical with Flight 175 subject [redacted] (UA Flt. #175). The photograph, which was obtained by FBI WFO, was superimposed over a known photograph of [redacted] and it appears to be a positive match. Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) A maid at the Park Inn Hotel in Newton, MA, advised FBI BS that an Arabic male answered the door of the room at approximately 11:00 a.m. on the morning of 9/11/2001. The male asked her to come back later to clean because someone in the room was sleeping. This hotel is where [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) and [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) stayed the night before the attack. FBI BS has initiated logical investigation to identify the unknown Arab male. Results will be provided to SIOC and appropriate field offices.

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(LES/OC) FBI BS tentatively identified the Charles Hotel as the place where [redacted] (UA Flt. #175) and [redacted] (UA Flt. #175) stayed while in Boston. This preliminary determination is based upon telephone records, ATM records, and a taxi driver who reportedly drove them from the Charles Hotel to the Days Inn Hotel. FBI BS is currently reviewing hotel records to confirm that these subjects stayed at this hotel. Results will be provided. Investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) FBI BS has identified a credit card for [redacted] who is believed to have been the person who received the Western Union wire transfers from the subjects in the week prior to 9/11/2001. This information was passed to the financial analysis team.

(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, at approximately 6:00 pm, [redacted] a travel agent from Providence, RI, reported that a customer named [redacted] purchased a ticket on a Virgin Atlantic flight to Johannesburg via London. Following his purchase, he made several pro-terrorist statements. Since the initial purchase, [redacted] has changed his flight two times. The flight now leaves from JFK on 9/24/2001. FBI NYO has been made aware of the potential threat and will interview [redacted] prior to takeoff. Investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, FBI BS received information that Delta Flight #1479 will be hijacked on 9/22/2001. Information was originally provided by US Customs Service from a 9/17 interview of a walk-in source. This source was on Delta Flight #1479 on 9/6/2001 and claims to have observed Arab passengers allegedly conducting "pre-operational surveillance." FBI BS obtained a manifest for this flight. A review of this manifest showed a possible individual on the Security Directives Watch List on this flight. The manifest shows a [redacted]

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[redacted] However, FBI BS will conduct all logical investigation to insure the safety of the FL #1479 passengers.

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Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) As previously reported, [redacted]

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Analysis of cellular and home telephone records is continuing. It is anticipated that [redacted] will be removed to New York upon the issuance of a Material Witness Warrant out of the Southern District of New York. Investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) FBI CG has identified an associate of [redacted] that is currently in fugitive status. [redacted]
[redacted] Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) FBI CG has identified approximately 1,100 names of individuals who were scheduled to fly on United Airlines flights on 9/11/2001. Each name is being checked through appropriate databases and results will be provided to SIOC and appropriate offices.

Dallas

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) FBI Dallas (FBI DL) investigation has determined that known terrorists may have been traveling under non-Arabic names to conduct reconnaissance runs in preparation for the attacks. Specifically, an American Airlines pilot has identified [redacted] (UA Flt. #175) as a passenger of AA Flight #59 on 6/7/2001. Just prior to flight's departure, [redacted] requested a tour of the cockpit. [redacted] presented his pilot's license and boarding pass to the pilot during this tour. [redacted] was seated in First Class and is believed to have been traveling with another party. An analysis of the flight manifest suggests that [redacted] may have been flying under the name of [redacted]. Investigation continuing.

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Investigative Efforts:

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) Federal Protective Service Officer (FPSO) RON SHEFFIELD, while providing security at the U.S. Courthouse, Detroit, was shot and killed on 9/21/2001 by [REDACTED] (3/24/1973). SHEFFIELD was providing security at the U.S. Courthouse in Detroit, MI. [REDACTED] while waiting to pass through the metal-detector, was determined by FPSO SHEFFIELD, to possess a bag containing a nickel-plated revolver. Before [REDACTED] could be disarmed, he shot and killed FPSO SHEFFIELD. [REDACTED] was shot and wounded by other officers present. He is currently in a hospital bed under guard by FBI Detroit (FBI DE). Based upon information and physical evidence found in his car, [REDACTED] appears to be a mentally-deranged person who was under the influence of drugs at the time of the shooting. The shooting does not appear to be related to the investigation. When able, [REDACTED] will be interviewed by FBI DE to determine if there is any nexus to the PENTTBOM investigation.

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(LES/OC) FBIHQ received a Terrorist Activity Report (TAR) # 145740 from the FBI Internet Tip Line. The report advised as follows: "I believe I have information on an attack on the Golden Gate Bridge on the 22nd of this month, which is tomorrow. Please have an official call me so that I can give this entire message to a person who can choose whether to act upon it or not, , , , Thankyou [REDACTED] The report was furnished from [REDACTED] on 9/21/01 at 2:43:49 p.m. from e-mail [REDACTED] The tipster was identified as [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] A copy of the TAR was provided to FBI DE, who will interview [REDACTED] FBI SF also provided copy of TAR. Results will be provided to SIOC.

Houston

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) FBI HO was contacted by an apartment manager who reported suspicious activity involving an apartment unit abandoned by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who recently completed flight engineer training in Houston. Pursuant to a consent search, FBI Houston (FBI HO) recovered a computer, unopened letters, a Rolodex, and miscellaneous items from the abandoned apartment. A mirror copy of the computer hard

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drive was forwarded to FBI WFO, with a request to conduct a forensic analysis. FBI HO CART analysis of the computer revealed JPEG images of the World Trade Towers and Usama Bin Laden, and other documents written in Arabic possibly using encryption. A hotmail email address for [redacted] was identified. A 2703(f) preservation letter was sent to Hotmail to preserve all email records/content relevant to this account. FBI HO continues efforts to locate and interview [redacted] and [redacted]. FBI HO requested that these two (2) individuals be placed on the Security Directives Watch List. Investigation continuing.

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Louisville

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) Information previously provided in Summary 10 indicated that [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) and [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) had resided in the Louisville area. FBI Louisville (FBI LS) investigation revealed no links between individuals in Kentucky and the suspected hijackers. However, it now appears the individuals identified were look-alikes. Six persons are in INS custody, including five Mauritians and one Syrian.

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Miami

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) Investigation has determined that a number of the hijackers attempted to obtain USAID identifications in the Summer of 2001. FBI MM interviewed [redacted] of USAID in Miami Beach, FL. [redacted] conducted record queries and determined that the majority of these applications had been forwarded through [redacted] at APPOLLO INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL in Patterson, NJ. [redacted] was able to determine that the following hijackers attempted to acquire USAID identifications: [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) (on/about 7/7/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) (on/about 7/7/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) (on/about 7/7/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) (on/about 7/7/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) (on/about 7/7/2001).

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7/4/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) (on/about 07/10/2001); [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) (date unknown); and [redacted] (UA Flt. #93) (date unknown). USAID card applications and color photocopies of the identifications are being disseminated to appropriate offices. Investigation being coordinated with FBI MM, FBI NK, and FBI WFO. Results will be forwarded to SIOC and all appropriate offices.

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(LES/OC) Previous FBI MM investigation determined that, on 5/2/2001, [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) and [redacted] (UA Flt. #93) obtained Florida drivers licenses at the same south Florida location. DMV queries revealed that five Arab individuals, including [redacted] also obtained Florida drivers licenses on that date. FBI MM located and interviewed [redacted] identified a photograph of [redacted] as the individual who assisted [redacted] in obtaining his driver's license. [redacted]

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[redacted] Efforts by FBI MM are underway to fully identify [redacted] and to determine his role, if any, in assisting [redacted] and others in obtaining fraudulent Florida driver's licenses. Results of investigation will be forwarded to SIOC and appropriate offices. Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) On 08/27/2001, six purported Pakistani nationals arrived in Miami from La Paz, Bolivia. The individuals were allegedly part of a conspiracy to destroy aircraft involved in civil aviation, based upon information provided within the intelligence community. This intelligence information was uncorroborated not only by the review of audio tapes by FBI Language Specialists, but also by a negative physical search from the hotel rooms of the individuals in La Paz, Bolivia. On 09/20/2001, three of the six individuals were polygraphed. Two subjects passed the polygraph, and one was found to be inconclusive. One requested an attorney and will not be polygraphed. The remaining two polygraphs are being conducted on 09/21/2001. Investigative results will be provided to SIOC and appropriate offices.

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Newark

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(LES/OC) FBI NK investigation determined that [redacted]

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Material Witness warrant based on his link to [redacted] Results
will be provided to SIOC and appropriate field offices.
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Philadelphia

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) FBI PH developed information that [redacted]

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Pittsburgh

Recovery / Evidence Collection:

(LES/OC) FBI Pittsburgh (FBI PG) Evidence Response Team (ERT) activity at the Somerset crash site may be completed sometime on 9/22/2001 or 9/23/2001. The raking and sifting of the dirt has resulted in the recovery of a great deal of human remains. On 9/22/2001, it is anticipated that the pumping of the two acre pond near the crash site will be completed. After the pumping of the pond, FBI PG ERT will man two boats to visually look for items of potential evidentiary value in the pond. Once this is completed, FBI PG ERT and other law enforcement personnel will conduct a final "walk through" the woods in the vicinity of the crash site in an effort to locate items of value that may have been missed. This "walk through" may take place as early as 9/23/2001 or 9/24/2001. Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) As of 4:00 pm on 9/21/2001, the morgue is in possession of approximately 454 pounds of human remains, which are comprised of 914 separate items. The morgue has dental records for 37 individuals. Efforts are underway to identify the remains.

(LES/OC) Six specimens of human remains will be flown to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology at Dover Air Force Base to verify or rule out possible knife wounds. To date, all such submissions have been negative.

(LES/OC) Human remains not of evidentiary value and which are not being sent to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) at Dover Air Force Base, will be turned over to the Somerset County Coroner. Human remains sent to AFIP and returned thereafter will also be turned over to the Somerset County Coroner. Personal effects not of evidentiary value will be turned over to United Air Lines (UAL) for subsequent return to families of passengers and crew.

(LES/OC) All ante-mortem interview of family members have been completed, except for the four hijackers.

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Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) FBI SA continues to conduct investigation into [REDACTED], who has been detained by INS in Fort Worth, TX, and who may be related to [REDACTED] (AA Flt. #77) and [REDACTED] (AA Flt. #77).

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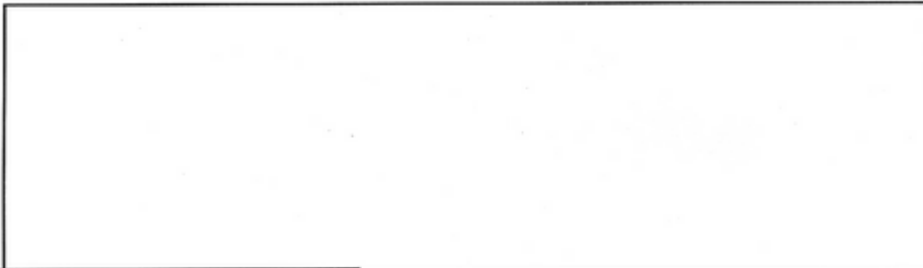
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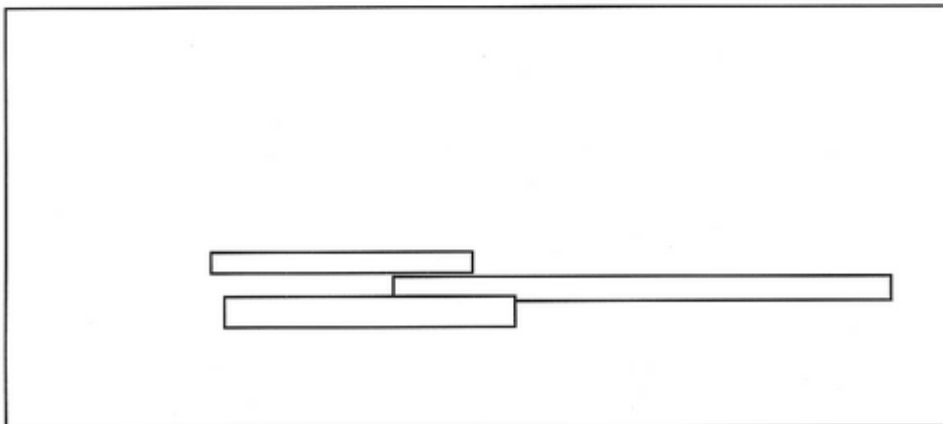
[redacted] in conjunction with the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York (USAO SDNY), is seeking a Material Witness Warrant for [redacted] Investigation continuing.

(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, FBI SF received information from FBI DL regarding [redacted]



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Bay Area. Investigation on-going.



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(LES/OC) FBI SF received information from the US Postal Service (USPS) that the Daly City Post Office (2650 Bayshore Blvd, Daly City, CA) has in its possession approximately 200 suspicious-looking letters. One letter is addressed to [redacted] (UA Flt. #93), and a second addressed to [redacted] (possibly related to [redacted] - AA Flt. #11). Both letters are date-stamped 9/11/2001. FBI SF is assisting the USPS with the examination of these parcels. Results will be provided to SIOC and appropriate offices.

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Washington Field

Recovery / Evidence Collection:

(LES/OC) As of 12:21 pm on 9/22/2001, 1,475 body portions and 117 remains have been recovered at the Pentagon.

(LES/OC) FBI WFO has recovered the Virginia DMV identification of HANI HANJOUR from the Pentagon crime scene. Also recovered was a wallet from SALEM ALHAZMI.

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Investigation continuing.

Investigative Efforts:

(LES/OC) FBI Washington Field Office (FBI WFO) reported on a situation involving a Saudi Arabian pilot aboard a United Airlines flight from Dulles to Heathrow. Prior to take-off, the flight crew became suspicious of one passenger. This passenger claimed to be a Saudi Arabian pilot, and asked to ride in the jump seat. The crew asked the FBI to interview him, and two other Middle Eastern travelers. These individuals were interviewed by the FBI, US Customs Service (USCS) and INS. They were cleared to fly, but the pilot refused to fly with them on board. No further investigation.

(LES/OC) [redacted] was interviewed by FBI WFO concerning his assistance to [redacted] (UA Flt. #175) in obtaining a Virginia ID card. [redacted] described himself as a "Professional ID Provider." He identified three of the hijackers and is being detained by INS on immigration charges. According to [redacted] (AA Flt. #77), [redacted] (AA Flt. #77) and [redacted] followed [redacted]

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and another ID broker to lawyer [redacted] office. [redacted]
secretary provided DMV forms presigned by [redacted] Investigation
continuing.

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(LES/OC) FBI WFO investigation identified [redacted]

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year 2000. Investigation continuing and being coordinated with
FBI NK.

(LES/OC) A continuing review of Dulles security camera
videos indicates that two of the hijackers may have visited
Dulles on 9/10/2001. It appears that they passed through the
security checkpoints and baggage claim areas. Review of security
cameras on-going.

(LES/OC) American Airlines reports that only five
victim families have not contacted AA concerning victims on
Flight #77, and are those of the suspected hijackers. This lends
credence to other information that there appears to be only five
hijackers on Flight #77, and not six as previously considered.

(LES/OC) Investigation by FBI WFO of associates and
employers of [redacted] have discerned no ties to any of
the hijackers. No links have been developed from the address
book of 75 phone numbers seized as part of a consensual search of
his residence. However, he will be arrested on 9/23/2001 on
forgery charges that were uncovered incidental to this
investigation. This warrant is being pursued out of the U.S.
Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia (USAO
EDVA).

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(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, FBI WFO arrested [redacted]

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[redacted] was
identified as assisting [redacted] (AA Flt. #11) obtain a
[redacted] Investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) On 9/20/2001, [redacted]
[redacted] who is on the Security Directives Watch
List, was contacted by FBI WFO and agreed to be interviewed.
[redacted] was subsequently arrested by the INS as a B-2 visa
overstay. [redacted] had reportedly been scheduled to return to
Saudi Arabia by air on 09/20/01. Investigation continuing.

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(LES/OC) On 9/21/2001, the U.S. Coast Guard National
Response Center advised that they had received a threat of an
impending release of anthrax on Washington D.C., on 9/22/2001.
Although FBI WFO does not consider this a credible threat,
appropriate notifications have been made.

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

(LES) Receiving offices are requested to continue to conduct all logical investigations. Relay any pertinent information back to FBIHQ, SIOC, FBI NY CP, FBI WFO, and other relevant field offices. LEGATs are requested to share new information with Station.

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