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Ref: Endemic Corruption In Key Government Offices That insured the success of the September 11 terrorist groups and will insure the success of future terrorists.

To Mr. Chaney:

I consider you one of the very few in the Bush Administration with the intelligence and credibility needed for the position being held. Having said that, I am sending you this letter which is a duplicate of what I had sent to President Bush. The contents relates to matters of grave national importance which are not being addressed, either out of lack of competency or because of the great number of people in government offices that are implicated. As I have said from when I first discovered this pattern of deep-seated corruption, while a federal air safety investigator, a cover-up will only insure that the conditions worsen, as well as the tragic consequences. September 11 could have been easily prevented if the corruption in government was not so endemic. Preventative measures could have been taken overnight when there was suspicion or rumors of terrorists hijacking aircraft. The same stupidity that I watched while in the U.S. navy before Pearl Harbor existed before September 11, and exists now.

I am a former federal air safety inspector who was assigned the responsibility to correct the conditions resulting in the worst series of fatal airline crashes in the nation's history. Prior to that I was an international airline captain, and during World War II, a Navy patrol plane commander. (George Bush senior and I received our Navy wings at the same time; he in Corpus Christi and me in Pensacola.) While I was a federal air safety inspector I discovered and documented evidence of this corruption related to a series of airline crashes, one of which was the world's worst at that time, a DC-8 that crashed into Brooklyn, about one mile from where the World Trade Center was later built.

Outraged By Corruption-Related Deaths In My Area Of Air Safety Responsibilities

I acted as an independent prosecutor while employed by the FAA, and during a four-month hearing I brought testimony and additional evidence into the record to show the relationship between several major air disasters¹ and the deep-seated misconduct at all levels of the federal air safety agency.

I have written books² to inform the public of serious misconduct in government that caused or made possible numerous airline crashes. As I received information and documentation on other areas of corrupt

1 One of these was the world's worst air disaster at that time, occurring in my area of federal air safety responsibilities, which occurred as a United Airlines DC-8 crashed into Brooklyn, about one mile from where the World Trade Center was later built. Major corruption was responsible for that crash, and similar FAA corruption was responsible for the conditions that insured the success of the 9-11 terrorist hijackers.

2 Latest books are the third editions of *Unfriendly Skies* and *Defrauding America* and the first edition of *Drugging America*, with updates coming shortly.

and criminal activities from an increasing number of former and present government agents,³ I wrote books about these matters also, which also adversely affect national security.

After the Terrorists, FAA Corruption Was Second in Line For the 3,000 Deaths

The September 11 deaths were simply *another* déjà vu of the consequences from the reported and documented corruption in the FAA, following forty years of prior fatal hijackings and other aviation tragedies that would not have happened if the government's air safety responsibilities had not been blocked by misconduct within the FAA. Much of the corruption is highlighted in my third edition of *Unfriendly Skies*, which I wrote in an attempt to circumvent the endemic cover-ups and to inform and motivate the public concerning these matters. This is the same misconduct that insured the success of the 9-11 terrorists and will continue to subvert the government's air safety responsibilities. However, the corruption that I documented in other areas of government also play major roles in success of terrorism.

Third In Line

Third in line to the cause for the 3,000 deaths are those in government who misused government offices continuously for 20 years to halt my exposure activities. Included in this group would be Justice Department personnel and federal judges. The details are in the third editions of *Unfriendly Skies* and *Defrauding America*, and at www.defraudingamerica.com/legal_index.html and other Internet sites. Because of this corruption, there will be more successful terrorist attacks on the United States.

Corrupt Government Personnel Have Inflicted More Harm Upon Americans Than Terrorists

Unfortunately the actual state of corruption in the three branches of government does not support President Bush's infamous statement, "Terrorists hate use because we are so good." The truth is, corruption in government has become endemic, and has inflicted more harm upon the American people than have the terrorists.

Besides what I endured for trying to carry out my air safety responsibilities, look at a few other examples that continue to insure the success of terrorism:

- Justice Department personnel retaliating against the head of a multi-agency drug task force targeting the drug funding operations of Jersey City terrorists. By falsely charging the head of the multi-agency drug task force with criminally violating the civil rights of a suspected drug trafficker, the entire operation was shut down. The following year, in 1993, Jersey City terrorists, who received funds from the drug operation, bombed the World Trade Center.
- Justice Department personnel retaliating against a counter terrorism expert who discovered suitcase nuclear bombs being smuggled from Russia through Lithuania and sold to terrorists in the Middle East. The retaliation blocked discovery of how the nuclear devices were being removed from Russian arsenals, prevented discovery of the terrorist groups that had already received the suitcase nuclear devices, and prevented measures to halt the transfer of nuclear devices and nuclear material to terrorist groups.
- Justice Department and CIA personnel who refused in 1995 to accept the offer of three dozen to 100 Stinger missiles that were offered by Afghani General Rashid Dostum. These negotiations were occurring in Los Angeles, and included a friend and former head of a secret CIA operation based in Honolulu. The refusal of these surface-to-air missiles resulted in Middle East terrorists acquiring an unknown quantity of them to use against U.S. aircraft. My letters to members of Congress concerning this matter can be found at the following Internet site: www.defraudingamerica.com/missiles_specter_oct20.doc (or html).
- Justice Department retaliation against a contract agent for the Defense Intelligence Agency when he prepared a declaration describing what he discovered about a CIA-DEA drug operation using Pan Am aircraft out of Frankfurt, Germany, that facilitated the placement of the bomb on Board Pan Am Flight 103.

3 Agents providing evidence were from the FBI, DEA, Customs, Secret Service and CIA.

- Justice Department retaliation against a former Mossad operative, who operated an international security company, and who prepared a report on how the bomb was placed on Pan Am Flight 103.
- Justice Department retaliation against a covert CIA operative who testified in federal court about the personnel involved in the operation known as October Surprise—which involved U.S. personnel paying bribes to Iranian terrorists to delay the release of the 52 American hostages held in Iran.
- Justice Department retaliation against me to halt my exposure of criminal activities that were inflicting great harm upon national interests, including national security.

Information Before September 11 Was Ample To Have Ordered Overnight Protection Against Successful Takeover Of Aircraft By Hijackers

White House spokespersons state that the information was too vague prior to September 11 to have taken preventative actions. That is not correct; it may have been too vague for some of the incompetents in key government positions, but it was not too vague for competent people to have taken quick corrective actions to prevent hijackers from taking control of an aircraft.

The information that I have acquired, initially as a federal air safety inspector and then over the years from my dozens of government agents, would have been a major block to the success of terrorist acts against the United States and its people. Large numbers of people in government misused their government positions to silence me and my government sources. To really this obstruction of justice through misuse of the FBI and the federal courts, have someone examine the Internet site: www.defraudingamerica.com.

Additional Comments On Deep-Seated Corruption Within the FAA and Its Cover-Up

The deep-seated misconduct within the FAA, which continues to this day, included:

- Warnings to federal air safety inspectors not to make reports of air safety problems and air safety violations
- Destruction of reports of major air safety problems, including hijackings.
- Retaliation against inspectors who continued to make reports.
- Retaliation against inspectors who exercised their responsibilities to take corrective actions.
- Massive fraud during a four-month-long hearing during which I acted as independent prosecutor, and much more.
- Felony cover-ups of the internal FAA corruption by the NTSB board members, which I documented while a federal air safety inspector, and is described in my books.
- Cover-ups by the FBI and U.S. attorneys, when I brought these criminal activities to their attention while I was a federal air safety inspector.
- FAA harassment against the two federal air safety inspector who had earlier reported the criminal activities at United Airlines that resulted in a continuing series of fatal airline crashes, one of which was the world's worst at that time.
- Justice Department prosecutors blocking my presentation of FAA corruption to a federal grand jury in Denver, which I was a federal air safety inspector.
- Justice Department preventing my presenting information and documentation to a federal court under the federal crime reporting statute (Title 18 U.S.C. § 4).

I made reports years ago on how the fatal hijackings could be easily and inexpensively prevented, but the internal FAA problems prevented these preventative measures from being taken that could have prevented years of fatal hijackings. The collateral effects of the corruption and other problem areas caused the safety problems to continue, along with the deadly consequences.

Other Areas Of Misconduct Insuring the Success Of Past and Future Terrorism

The following misconduct continues to aid and abet the success of terrorists, and is based upon information I personally discovered or evidence provided to me by my many government sources:

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Pattern Of Continuing Obstruction Of Justice By Justice Department and Federal Judges

The federal crime reporting statute, Title 18 U.S.C. § 4⁴ requires that anyone knowing of a federal crime must promptly report it to a federal judge, or other federal officer. If they fail to do so, they become guilty of misprision of felony. I exercised this requirement to report the criminal activities adversely affecting national security to a federal judge, who must receive this evidence as part of his or her administrative duties.

My first attempts,⁵ in the late 1970s and early 1980s, were to report the crash-related FAA corruption

⁴ Title 18 U.S.C. § 4. Misprision of felony. Whoever, having knowledge of the actual commission of a felony cognizable by a court of the United States, conceals and does not as soon as possible make known the same to some judge or other person in civil or military authority under the United States, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than three years, or both.

⁵ *Stich v. United States, et al.*, 554 F.2d 1070 (9th Cir.) (table), *cert. denied*, 434 U.S. 920 (1977)(addressed hard-core air safety misconduct, violations of federal air safety laws, threats against government inspectors not to report safety violations and misconduct); *Stich v. National Transportation Safety Board*, 685 F.2d 446 (9th Cir.)(table), *cert. denied*, 459 U.S. 861 (1982))(addressed repeated criminal falsification of official airline accident reports, omitting highly sensitive air safety misconduct, making possible repeated crashes from the same sequestered problems); Amicus curiae brief filed on July 17, 1975, in the Paris DC-10 multi-district litigation, *Flanagan v. McDonnell Douglas Corporation and United States of America*, Civil Action 74-808-PH, MDL 172, Central District California.(addressing the long standing FAA misconduct, of which the cover-up of the DC-10 cargo door problem was one of repeated instances of tragedy related misconduct); *U.S. v. Department of Justice*, District of Columbia, Nos. 86-2523, 87-2214, and other actions filed by Stich seeking to expose and correct the

and then to report felony cover-ups by the NTSB board members. Federal judges refused to receive the information after Justice Department personnel filed motions to block the reports. This Justice Department and judicial obstruction of justice resulted in a continuation of the corruption within the FAA, which, as expected, was followed by more fatal air disasters caused or made possible by the deep-seated culture within the FAA.

Commencing in 1986, as an increasing number of other former and present government agents provided me inside information and documentation on other areas of criminal and even subversive activities,⁶ I again sought to report these criminal activities to a federal judge. Again, federal judges, assisted by Justice Department prosecutors, blocked these reports and then criminally enlarged upon their obstruction of justice:

- Federal judges issued unlawful and unconstitutional orders permanently barring me from access to the federal courts, which exist to this day. This is an unheard of violation of due process.
- When I discovered other criminal activities inflicting even greater harm to national security, I again sought to report these activities and present evidence to a federal court at San Francisco and Sacramento, California.
- Again, federal judges refused to receive the evidence. With the assistance of Justice Department prosecutors, they charged me with criminal contempt of court, seeking support in the orders permanently terminating my legal and constitutional right to federal court access. Federal judges denied me a jury trial, held that I was guilty of criminal contempt of court, and at the age of 69, shortly after I had open-heart surgery, federal judges and Justice Department personnel sent me to federal prison for six months, where I spent eight weeks in solitary confinement.
- Simultaneously, federal judges issued orders seizing and liquidating my home, my sole source of income, and property worth over \$10 million. These orders were rendered without the legal and constitutional due process right of a hearing, notice of hearing, and legally required cause. And then other orders were rendered barring me from filing objections to the seizure and liquidation of my life assets. When I did exercise my legal and constitutional right to object, the filing was unfiled, and I was again charged with criminal contempt of court. I was denied a jury trial, denied my own funds to hire legal counsel, denied legal counsel, held guilty, and sentenced to federal prison.

Endemic Obstruction Of Justice Aiding and Abetting Terrorism and Other Crimes

The criminal activities that I and my group of other government agents had discovered were expanded by the felony cover-ups of everyone who was made aware of these crimes. I had reported the deep-seated corruption within the FAA years ago, which were repeatedly followed by cover-ups. Other examples: I sent warning letters to every member of the House and Senate intelligence committees about six months before the downing of TWA Flight 800, warning of surface-to-air missile attacks on commercial aircraft. These letters were based upon information and documentation received from one of my CIA sources. Despite the urgent need to contact me and my CIA source to halt the acquisition of these surface-to-air missiles, not a single congressional recipient responded. Several months later, a surface to air missile brought down TWA Flight 800, which was followed by continuation of NTSB cover-ups that I had documented while a federal air safety inspector and as described in *Unfriendly Skies*.

Warning letters were sent to members of Congress offering to provide testimony and evidence from me and my government sources about CIA drug smuggling into the United States. These sources included government insiders who either flew the drugs, or discovered the drug trafficking as part of their official

powerful and covert air disaster misconduct.

⁶ Many of these criminal activities are detailed in the books, *Unfriendly Skies*, *Defrauding America*, and *Drugging America*, and include such crimes as October Surprise; massive drug smuggling by the CIA and other government entities; judicial corruption in the bankruptcy courts and the involvement of the CIA; financial fraud by the CIA in banks, savings and loans, and other financial institutions; and the felony cover-up of these crimes.

duties. Not a single response, despite the enormous effect upon national security and the lives and the deaths resulting from these criminal activities.

**Conditions Insuring the Success Of the September 11 Hijackers
Are Deeply Embedded In the Corrupt Culture Within Government**

Obviously, the continuation of these corrupt activities and endemic cover-ups played a key role in the success of the September 11 terrorist attacks and will play a key role in the success of future terrorist attacks—plus continue the tragedies arising from the other corruption that I sought to report. I have ample documentation to support what is stated in this letter.

- The expected continuation of the prior cover-up will insure the continuation of the corruption and the tragedies, just as happened following the years of prior déjà vu warnings that I provided to members of Congress and to federal judges. This letter can be found at various Internet sites, including www.defraudingamerica.com
- Many more people in key government positions are criminally implicated in these matters, being one reason why no government check and balance will address the crimes against the United States.
- There is much more to this pattern of deep-seated misconduct within government offices that played key roles in the success of the September 11 terrorists. Further information can be found in the books that I have written; at the Internet sites; at the 3000 locations listed by putting “Rodney Stich” in a google search engine, and by contacting me. Consider the preposterous situation where a 79-year-old person must tackle the corruption in government that continues year after year inflicting such great harm upon the people and the country, while those holding public responsibilities either do nothing or misused federal power to destroy that person.

Sincerely,

Rodney Stich

Further related information at the following Internet sites:

www.defraudingamerica.com

www.druggingamerica.com

