

Witness Group Factual Report

APPENDIX B

**Documents Pertaining to
Witnesses
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Crime: INVESTIGATE PLANE CRASH Pct: 100 OCCB No. 3325 Date of This Report: 11/13/01

Date of Orig. Report: 11/12/01 Date Assigned: 11/12/01 Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: 100 SQUAD Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: P.S.N.Y. Victim's Name - If Different:

Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.:

Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position / Relationship: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age:

Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.):

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

Perp. No. 1: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

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Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

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Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained

Complainant Viewed Photos: Results: Witness Viewed Photos: Results:

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: By (Enter Results in Details):

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE PLANE CRASH SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF WITNESS

[REDACTED]

ON 11/13/01 AT 1910HRS, THE UNDERSIGNED RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] (WITNESS) WHO STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A TIP CARD AND WAS CALLING TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE INCIDENT.

[REDACTED] STATES THAT HE WAS IN HIS VEHICLE AT BEACH 130TH STREET AND ROCKAWAY BEACH BLVD. WHEN HE HEARD THE SOUND OF A JET ENGINE THAT WAS VERY LOUD. MARK FURTHER STATES HE EXITED HIS VEHICLE AND LOOKED UP AND OBSERVED ABOVE PLANE IN THE AIR AND SAW THE FRONT OF THE PLANE SNAP WITH FIRE COMING OUT OF THE FUSELAGE. HE THEN OBSERVED PIECES OF THE PLANE BREAKING UP AND FALLING TO THE GROUND AS THE PLANE DROPPED OUT OF THE SKY AND CRASHED AT BEACH 131STREET AND NEWPORT AVENUE.

CASE: ACTIVE [] CLOSED [] DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: 11/14/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW: REPORTING OFFICER: RANK: DET. SIGNATURE: NAME PRINTED: MCCAFFREY TAX REG. NO.: 878115 COMMAND: 100SQ. REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: ENTER DESIGNATION: C O'S INITIALS:

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Pct. 100

Complaint No. 3325

Date of This Report 11/12/01

DETAILS:

INVESTIGATION: PLANE CRASH
 SUBJECT: CANVASS 119th STREET
 CONTENT: RESULTS

LOCATION

RESULTS

165 119th St.

S/W [REDACTED] at approx. 0915-0920 heard loud noise, looked out window, saw rear of plane coming down, middle of plane was on fire.

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REVIEWING/CLOSING SUPERVISOR <i>[Signature]</i>	CASE ENTER DESIGNATION	CLOSED: C OR Q	SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>

INFORMATIONAL PD 313-081A (REV. 4-89)-31		Crime AMERICAN AIRLINES	Pct.	OCGB No.	Complaint No. <i>4325</i>	Date of This Report 11/12/01	14 PERP 1	
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PERP 1
DETAILS: INVESTIGATION; AMERICAN AIRLINES CRASH SUBJECT; CANVASS

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PERP 1
1. ON 11/12/01 THE UNDERSIGNED DID INTERVIEW [REDACTED] OF 165 BEACH 119 ST, [REDACTED] AND SHE STATED THE FOLLOWING.

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PERP 2
2. [REDACTED] STATED THAT SHE OBSERVED A AMERICAN AIRLINES PLANE, BRAKING UP AND THE TAIL FALL INTO THE BAY. SHE ALSO SAW THE MIDDLE OF THE PLANE BURST INTO FLAMES AND THEN COME STRAIGHT DOWN.

CHOICE 2
BEACH 150 CENEXA,
567- NO ANSWER
559- NO ANSWER
537- NO ANSWER

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	OR B	COMMAND 075
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National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: January 9, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] was employed as a crane operator for the New York Transit Authority and witnessed the subject accident airplane from the Rockaway Park train station. During our conversation, he stated:

He was working on a crane facing the accident site, when he thought he heard the Concorde. He looked up and observed the airplane, "fairly level" with its wing on fire. The airplane made a turn and went "straight down, close to 90-degrees." He then observed smoke and fire rising from the ground.

[REDACTED] stated the fire was located "more toward the middle of the wing, near the engine" however, he was not certain if the fire was present at the left or right wing. Additionally, he did not recall which direction he observed the airplane turn prior to its descent.

[REDACTED] stated he did not observe any parts separate from the airplane and estimated that he observed the airplane for "at least 20 seconds."



National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: July 3, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] witnessed the subject accident airplane while he was walking on Beach 133rd Street, approaching Newport Avenue. During our conversation, he stated:

He heard a "different kind" of airplane engine noise, he described as "laboring." He looked up and observed the airplane heading southeast. He also observed the right wing separate from the airplane and "something illuminate" near the right wing, followed by white smoke. The airplane then began to descend. He further described the illumination as a "flash of light", and he was not certain if he observed the right wing separate before or after the flash. [REDACTED] stated he was "not sure" if the flash he observed was a fire and he did not recall observing any "flames." The airplane was descending "straight down." He knew the airplane was going to crash and "looked away."

[REDACTED] was 73 years old, and semi employed as an accountant. He estimated he observed the airplane for about 8 to 10 seconds.



INFORMATIONAL
FD-313-081A (Rev. 4-89)-31

Crim: Invest. Plane Crash
FBI: 100
OCCB No.: 3325
Complaint No.: 11-12-01
Date of Orig. Report: 11-12-01
Date Assigned: 1389
Unit Reporting: BS-Intelligence Division
Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.:
Victim's Name - If Different:
Address - Include City, State, Zip:
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Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.):
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Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained:
 Yes No

Complainant Viewed Photos: Witness Viewed Photos: Results:
 Yes Refused Future

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: By (Enter Results in Details):
 Yes No

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DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE ACCIDENT/PLANE CRASH

CANVASS: WITNESS CANVASS

1. On above date @ approximately 1100 hours I did conduct a canvass for witnesses to a plane crash 430 133BD Street was checked with negative results.

2. [Redacted] of [Redacted] was walking outside and did observe the right wing fall and the plane "nosedived" straight down.

CASE: ACTIVE CLOSED
REPORTING OFFICER: [Signature]
REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [Signature]
RANK: [Signature]
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C.O.'S INITIALS:
CASE ENTER DESIGNATION: [Signature]
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COMPLAINT FOLLOW-UP INFORMATIONAL
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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] of [REDACTED] states that he was walking on B. 133 St. when he heard a noise. He looked up and saw the plane and the wing of the plane come off and the plane then did a nose dive into the ground. [REDACTED] can be contacted at his home phone # [REDACTED]

CASE		DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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REPORTING OFFICER:	RANK Detective	SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	NAME PRINTED Richard Wentz	TAX REG. NO. 886784
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/14/2001

██████████ 413 Beach 122nd Street, Upstairs Apartment, Rockaway Park, New York 11694, telephone number ██████████ was interviewed at his residence. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview, ██████████ provided the following information:

██████████ was in his apartment on the morning of November 12, 2001. At approximately 9:15am, he heard a very loud noise. The noise sounded like an airplane. ██████████ initially assumed that it was the Concorde/SST flying over his house. ██████████ stated that airplanes normally fly directly over Belle Harbor to and from JFK Airport and that the Concorde had just resumed flying into and out of JFK Airport last week after a long absence. ██████████ sensed that something was wrong because the airplane noise was too loud and sounded too close so he looked out his back window. ██████████ saw a commercial airplane that was flying much too low over a residential neighborhood.

██████████ stated that the plane was flying towards the ground with the nose of the plane pointing down. ██████████ saw white pieces falling off the plane while it was still airborne. Initially, ██████████ believed that it was white pieces of paper that he saw. ██████████ later realized that it was actually pieces of the aircraft that were falling off the plane. ██████████ stated that he never saw flames coming from the aircraft while it was still in the air. ██████████ then felt a shake and heard an explosion as the aircraft crashed into the ground. ██████████ then saw a plume of black smoke rise several blocks from his residence. ██████████ later learned that the downed airplane was American Airlines Flight Number 587.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Rockaway Park, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669 SUB 302 Date dictated 11/14/2001

by SA Conor M. O'Sullivan:cmo



189 Beach 117 Street- spoke with [REDACTED] at phone # [REDACTED]. She was home at the time and was in the rear bedroom on the 2nd floor. The window in this room faces west. She stated she had worked at the airport for 15 years and first heard the plane and it sounded funny. She looked out the window, and saw the right side of the plane on fire. The plane then tilted left and began to spiral straight down. The plane then hit the ground; she knew it was bad. No debris was found on her property, all family members are accounted for.

3. This case is active.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/14/01

On 11/12/01, [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed in the vicinity of 131st Street and Newport Drive, Belle Harbor, New York. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:


[REDACTED] stated he was driving West on Shore Front Drive, Belle Harbor, New York when he heard a muffled type sound. [REDACTED] looked up and saw American Airlines flight 587 with heavy black smoke under the right side of the plane. According to [REDACTED] the plane was heading in a South/South Westerly direction.

[REDACTED] stated he saw a piece of the aircraft, possibly from the right side, fall off. [REDACTED] was too far away to determine what the part was. [REDACTED] claimed when the part fell off the plane, the plane almost immediately veered to the left and nose dived straight into the ground.

Investigation on 11/12/01 at Queens, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-Sub302

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by SA Daniel P. Mckenna 



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Interview #3

A third interview was conducted by Fire Marshal Schmidt with off duty EMS worker, [REDACTED] Shield #1600, [REDACTED] was on Beach 174th Street and Shore Front Parkway heading west in his car when he heard a muffled noise. He then observed the plane smoking and the rear right quarter panel come off from the plane. The plane then arched and took a nosedive.

2. Case Active

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MR. Schiada,

The following is my account of what happened on November 12, 2001 in Belle Harbor, N.Y. Concerning the crash of American Airlines flight 587.

I was in the kitchen of my parents house at 196 Beach 131st Street, located on Rockaway Beach Boulevard. I had just looked at the clock and noted that it was 9:07 am. Within the next 3 minutes, I heard a plane approaching overhead. It sounded very loud and low and the house was shaking from the roar. I told myself that it must be the Concorde and continued to read the newspaper. Then it sounded like someone turned up the power of the engines to "HIGH". I don't know how else to explain it. The blades in the engine were 'whirring' and then they seemed to go super fast, on high speed. About 2-3 seconds after that, it went completely silent. I walked over to the window and looked up into the sky and saw the plane dropping from the sky. I had a clear view against the blue sky and saw that the plane was nose down, with the belly

facing me. I could see the nose, the wings, and the body and tail. It was intact but I did not see any engines on it. I basically had a clear view of the outline of the plane, from the side of the belly. There was no fire coming from it, no parts flying off of it, no smoke trailing from it. It was just falling straight down from the sky. I looked away from the window and tried to collect myself. About 2 seconds later, I looked back out the window and saw the plane again, still nose down and falling, only closer to the ground. I saw that it was going to land very close to our house, so I grabbed my 3 year old and ran to the staircase screaming for my mother to come downstairs. She stopped on the landing, with 3 windows behind her, and asked what was wrong. I started to tell her that a plane was about to crash and we heard a low boom and immediately saw large black clouds of smoke in the windows behind her.

That is what I experienced that day. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED]. Thank you.
[REDACTED]

PLANE CRASH

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DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE PLANE CRASH
 SUBJECT : Conversation w/ [REDACTED]

1. On Nov. 14, 2001 the U/S at approximately 1710 hours the U/S was contacted by [REDACTED] F/W, [REDACTED] who resides in Manhattan, but was visiting her mother at 196 Bch 131 St., she states she heard loud rumbling and new it was some type of plane. She went outside and observed the plane coming down in a nose dive, no fire with the belly of the plane facing the ocean. There were no engines, but the wings were attached. She knows it was the belly because it was flat and there were no windows.

2. [REDACTED] home phone number is [REDACTED]

3. CASE CONTINUING.

DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW
11/15/01	

CASE	REPORTING OFFICER	RANK	DET	SIGNATURE	NAME PRINTED	TAX REG. NO.	COMMAND
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DETAILS:

-----I was in my parent's house (196 B.131, [redacted] and I
 [redacted] New York, NY 15K HEARD an engine having problems. I went to look out of
 the window and I saw a plane, belly facing my direction, in
 a nose dive. I ran and went to get my son and I left.

CASE		DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED: 11/12/01		IF ACTIVE: DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: February 27, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Debbie Roland, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

A witness group member interviewed [REDACTED] via telephone. During the conversation, she stated:

She was in her car, heading west, approaching the parkway. There were no cars around, so she sat in her car, watching the airplane. Her focal point was the right side of the airplane.

She saw the tail section of the airplane break off and watched as it fell toward the ground. She saw a 'ring of fire' – no flames shooting or smoke- coming from the inside of the tail end of the fuselage. The airplane was on an incline, then leveled off, then took a nose dive. She saw no debris falling from the airplane.

She believes she had the aircraft in view for about 5 minutes. She lost view of the airplane after the nosedive, but knew it had crashed because she saw black smoke.

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██████████ date of birth ██████████, of ██████████
 ██████████, Brooklyn, New York, home telephone ██████████ was
 telephonically interviewed at her place of employment, Lets Paint
 Fifth, 82-09 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, work telephone
 ██████████ by Special Agents (SA's) Daniel K. McCall and
 Timothy Flannelly of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. After
 being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and
 the nature of the interview she provided the following
 information:

At approximately 9:15 a.m. this morning ██████████ was
 driving on the entrance ramp to the Belt Parkway (West) from
 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. She saw the plane that
 crashed taking off and gaining altitude at what appeared to be
 normal flight configuration, with the gear retracted. ██████████ saw
 an explosion at the tail end of the plane, but did not hear an
 explosion.

After the explosion the tail separated from the
 fuselage and the tail end fell toward the ground along with some
 debris. The fuselage of the plane, with both wings still intact,
 arched and went nose down toward the ground. ██████████ stated that
 she saw a lot of smoke coming from the area where the plane
 impacted. ██████████ concluded that she could provide no further
 information regarding the plane crash, but will contact the
 interviewing agents if she recalls additional details.

Investigation on 11/12/01 at New York, New York (telephonically)
 File # 149A-NY-280669-302 -125 Date dictated N/A
 by SA Daniel K. McCall/dkm
SA Timothy Flannelly

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Date of transcription 11/14/2001

██████████ of ██████████
 Brooklyn, New York; home telephone number ██████████; work
 telephone number on Wednesdays, ██████████; work telephone
 number on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, ██████████ was
 interviewed at her residence. After being advised of the
 identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the
 interview, she provided the following information:

On November 12, 2001, having driven south on Flatbush
 Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, toward the Belt Parkway, Brooklyn,
 New York (the "Belt Parkway"), ██████████ was entering the westbound
 lanes of the Belt Parkway when she saw an airplane in the sky.
 The airplane was ahead of ██████████ and to her left, moving in the
 same direction as she was, such that ██████████ was in a position to
 observe the airplane's right side. The airplane's landing gear
 was not down.

██████████ watched the airplane climb in the air for two or
 three seconds, then saw an explosion just in front of the
 airplane's tail and well behind the airplane's wings. ██████████
 drew for the interviewing agents a sketch of the relative
 position of this explosion on the airplane (attached).

The explosion observed by ██████████ was a "ball of fire"
 that appeared to originate inside the airplane and expand
 outward. ██████████ advised that the ball of fire was almost a
 perfect sphere of flames, approximately the same width across as
 the airplane itself; that these flames were red, orange, and
 grey, and appeared to contain no blues or greens; that the ball
 of fire was tight and "contained", with no flames shooting or
 licking out of it; that the ball of fire appeared to engulf the
 entire height and width of the airplane; and that the ball of
 fire continued to travel with the airplane, at its same relative
 position on the airplane, as the airplane continued to fly.

The ball of fire continually emitted charcoal-grey
 smoke. The smoke appeared to surround the ball of fire, and the
 thickness of the smoke layer around the ball of fire was

Investigation on 11/13/2001 at Brooklyn, New York

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 by SA Kevin C. Donovan
SA George P. Choundas

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approximately the same in size as the width of the ball of fire itself. It appeared to _____ as if there was "not a lot of smoke" for the size and suddenness of the ball of flames which it accompanied.

_____ also saw pieces of debris spray out of the airplane from the same spot from which, and at the same moment as, she observed the ball of fire emerge. _____ advised that these pieces of debris were small and appeared grey. _____ did not see any debris spray out of, or fall from, any other part of the airplane, including either of its wings. _____ did not see any pieces of debris spray out of, or fall from, any part of the airplane at any point in time after the initial burst of flames.

At the same moment as the ball of fire emerged from the airplane, the tail piece of the airplane fell away from the rest of the aircraft--falling back and down. This tail piece did not appear "to take time falling off"; rather, it fell off quickly, as if from the force of the explosion just ahead of it. The tail piece remained whole as it fell off the airplane, and did not itself split or disintegrate after falling off.

_____ advised that that portion of the tail that fell from the airplane included the vertical portion of the airplane's tail--that which resembles a "shark's fin". _____ was not certain whether that portion included any other parts of the airplane's tail, including any horizontal extensions from the airplane's tail.

_____ did not see any smoke coming from or accompanying the tail piece that fell away from the airplane, or coming from or accompanying that portion of the airplane from which the tail piece had fallen off.

_____ advised that, excepting this tail piece and that portion of the airplane engulfed in a ball of fire, all other parts of the airplane--including the wings--appeared to remain intact.

Immediately after the emergence of the ball of fire and

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the simultaneous falling away of the airplane's tail piece, the airplane continued flying, but leveled off--a change from its prior apparent climb through the air. The airplane did not appear to be out of control, but rather flew as if its pilots were bringing it into a level flying course. The airplane flew this level course for no more than three seconds (and possibly for a much shorter time period) when it suddenly took a nose dive.

[REDACTED] subsequently saw dark grey smoke billowing straight up from the ground somewhere near the point toward which the airplane appeared to have been diving. The smoke billowed straight up, then formed a ball in the air.

After seeing this billowing smoke, [REDACTED] pulled her car over to a grassy plot alongside the Belt Parkway.

[REDACTED] knew no one else who had witnessed the above events, or any other events afflicting American Airlines Flight 587 on November 12, 2001.

This is a statement regarding the crash of Flight 587
on Nov 12, 2001 which I witnessed.

I was driving my girlfriend [REDACTED] to work in Queens
I drive her to work often and we always take the same route.

On Nov 12-2001 we were together in the vehicle and I was
driving on the Belt Parkway E Bound in the left lane
and my speed is normally 50 to 55 I had just passed
Exit 9B in Sheephead Bay and was in the vicinity of Plum Beach
still in the left lane I was coming up to the incline
in the highway and I observed a police belt SUV parked on the
grass and I believe the recorder in the veh was a female officer
As I got to the top of the incline my girl friend stated to
me Tellin that plane in trouble its on fire. I took my eyes
off the road look up in the sky and saw a very large plane
climbing up into the sky and I also observed two other
air craft in the vicinity one a helicopter the other a
private plane. The large plane it appeared to be surrounded
in white smoke or fog it was climbing and then all of a
sudden it stood still and then it fell to the right. Like it was
going to fall out of the sky before it fell to the right
while it stood still I saw white smoke come from the tail section.
It started to fall from the sky. Then it went into a dive bomb
it's nose was pointed straight down like in the movies
I told [REDACTED] we should start praying for all the people on
board because they were all going to die. We started praying. I would
look up and away as I was driving and did not want to get
in an accident the plane went straight down. People driving on
the road started stopping their car in the middle of the road to
watch the crash I had to watch the road. I saw a man pointing
to the water. I did not call 911 because I know the police
are

Vel. SPAN EXACTLY WHAT I SAW. I LOOK UP AND THEN
DOWN SO I WOULD NOT GET IN AN ACCIDENT [REDACTED] SAW EVERYTHING
SHE WILL WRITE OUT HER STATEMENT ALSO. AS WE CONTINUED ON
WE OBSERVED WHERE THE PLANE WENT DOWN. ALL YOU COULD SEE
WAS A LARGE BLACK SMOKE LIKE AN ATOM BOMB JUST EXPLODED.

THIS IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE STATEMENT
I HOPE IT HELPS YOU IN YOUR INVESTIGATION.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

1. PLANE WAS CLIMBING.
2. I DID NOT OBSERVE ANY PART FALLING BECAUSE I WAS DRIVING LOOKING UP
AND AWAY ON THE ROAD.
3. OBSERVED WHITE SMOKE COMING FROM TAIL SECTION WHEN PLANE STOOD STILL
BEFORE FALLING.
4. 3 TO 5 MINUTES.
5. PLANE DIVING STRAIGHT DOWN TO EARTH
AND CRASH SITE BLACK SMOKE LIKE ATOM BOMB EXPLODING.

Home # [REDACTED]

Cell phone # [REDACTED]

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Date of transcription 11/23/2001

[REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED], home address [REDACTED] New York, 11220 telephone number [REDACTED], cellular telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed telephonically. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] is a retired New York City Police Detective.

On 11/12/2001, [REDACTED] was driving a friend to work, traveling westbound on the Belt Parkway. Somewhere between exits 9B and 11B, [REDACTED] friend looked out the window and exclaimed "look that plane is on fire!" [REDACTED] looked out the window, and saw an airplane, which was still climbing, engulfed in white smoke. As [REDACTED] came to the crest of an incline in the road, he noticed that the plane appeared to stutter, then stall in midair. At this point the plane had white smoke spilling from the tail area as well. After appearing to stall, the plane then banked right slightly, then nose-dived straight down. [REDACTED] averted his eyes from the plane before it actually hit the ground.

[REDACTED] advised that while he was looking at the plane, he noticed two other aircraft in the area, a helicopter, and what [REDACTED] believed to be a private jet. [REDACTED] estimates the helicopter was approximately 1000 feet away from the damaged plane, and the private jet much further away. [REDACTED] provided this additional information in hopes of investigators gaining eye-witness accounts from others who were in the air at the time.

Investigation on 11/23/2001 at Melville, New York (telephonically)

File # 149A-NY-280669

Date dictated _____

by SA Christopher W. Wrobleski



**COMPLAINT - FOLLOW UP
INFORMATIONAL**
PD 313-081A (Rev. 4-89)-31

Crime: James Patrick Conley

Pct. 100 OCCB No. 3325 Complaint No. 11/12/01

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01 Date Assigned _____ Case No. 1387 Unit Reporting _____ Follow-Up No. _____

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. _____ Victim's Name - If Different _____

Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____

Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____ Position/Relationship _____ Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Total No. of Perpetrators _____ Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Weapon _____ Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.) _____
 Used Possessed.

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description, _____
Nicknames, First Name, Alias _____ Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. _____
(Continue in "Details")

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

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AREA WITHIN BOX FOR DETECTIVE/LATENT FINGERPRINT OFFICER ONLY. THIS BOX WILL BE UTILIZED BY INVESTIGATOR WHENEVER POSSIBLE AND MUST BE FULLY COMPLETED WHEN USING THIS FORM TO CLOSE A CASE "NO RESULTS."

Comp. Interviewed: Yes No In Person By Phone Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Witness Interviewed: Yes No In Person By Phone Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

PERP 1 Canvass Conducted Yes No If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results _____ Crime Scene Visited Yes No If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained _____

PERP 2 Complainant Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____
Witness Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____

PERP 1 Crime Scene Dusted Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____ Crime Scene Photos Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____

PERP 2 If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details:
 C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

6 DETAILS:

1. On Monday November 12, 2001 between 1300 - 1500 hours the undersigned conducted a canvass for victims/witnesses regarding the crash of American Airlines Flight #587 within the 100 Precinct. The following location was met with positive results:



The above person is a home attendant for the above location and she stated in sum and substance that she first heard a loud roar of a plane in which she looked out the window and saw a plane in the air but noticed it wobbling with a trail of smoke coming from the plane. The next thing she realized is that she heard a loud explosion and saw smoke fuming from the direction of the crash site.

2. For your information.

CASE ACTIVE CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED 11/14/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW _____

REPORTING OFFICER: _____ RANK PO SIGNATURE [Signature] NAME PRINTED Lau, Kevin TAX REG. NO. 919283 COMMAND OGS

REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [Signature] CASE CLOSED: OR B _____ SIGNATURE [Signature] C/O's INITIALS [Initials]

Choice 1 Choice 2 Perp 1 Perp 2 Perp 1 Perp 2

INFORMATIONAL PD 313-081A (REV. 4-89)-31		Crime Crash of Flight 587	Pct. 100	OCCB No.	Complain No. 3325	Date of This Report 11/12/01	14 PERP 1
Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01	Date Assigned 11/12/01	Case No. 1357	Unit Reporting BS Gang Investigation Squad	Follow-Up No.			15 PERP 2
Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. PSNY		Victim's Name - If Different					16 PERP 1
Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, include City, State, Zip				Apt. No.	PERP 2
Home Telephone		Business Telephone		Position / Relationship		Sex Race	Date of Birth
Age		Total No. of Perpetrators		Wanted		Arrested	
Weapon		Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, caliber, type, model, etc.)					
Wanted		Arrested		Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, include City, State, Zip	
Apt. No.		Res. Pct.		Sex		Race	
Date of Birth		Age		Height		Weight	
Eye Color		Hair Color		Hair Length		Facial Hair	
NYSID No.		Clothing Description:		Eyeglasses <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses <input type="checkbox"/>			
Nickname, First Name, Alias		Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")					
Wanted		Arrested		Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, include City, State, Zip	
Apt. No.		Res. Pct.		Sex		Race	
Date of Birth		Age		Height		Weight	
Eye Color		Hair Color		Hair Length		Facial Hair	
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Comp. Interviewed		In Person		By Phone		Date	
Time		Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Witness Interviewed		In Person		By Phone		Date	
Time		Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Canvass Conducted		If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses: Results		Crime Scene Visited		If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained	
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Complainant Viewed Photos		Results:		Complainant Viewed Photos			
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Crime Scene Ousted		By (Enter Results in Details)		Crime Scene Photos		By (Enter Results in Details)	
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If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: <input type="checkbox"/> C-1 Improper Referral <input type="checkbox"/> C-2 Inaccurate Facts <input type="checkbox"/> C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID <input type="checkbox"/> C-4 Uncooperative Complainant <input type="checkbox"/> C-5 "Leads" Exhausted							
DETAILS: Investigation: Crash of Flight 587 Subject: Canvass of Beach 135 St. 1. On 11/12/01 the undersigned along with Det. Hennessy of BSGS did respond to the vicinity of the 100th Pct in regards to crash of flight 587 and met with the following results. 2. Canvass conducted in the vicinity of Beach 135 St: 426 [REDACTED] heard rumble like a Concorde and saw plane come down, straight down wing to nose intact, but flaming							

<input type="checkbox"/> ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED		REPORTING OFFICER: [Signature]		NAME PRINTED: Salgado		TAX REQ. NO.: 881395		COMMAND: BSGS	
REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR:		CASE: [Signature]		ENTER DESIGNATION: [Signature]		SIGNATURE: [Signature]		C.O.'s INITIALS: [Signature]	
CLOSED: C		OR B		Choice 1		Choice 2		PERP 1 PERP 2	

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[REDACTED]
Texarkana, AR 71854
January 21, 2002

Lucke Schiada
Air Safety Investigator
National Transportation Safety Board
2001 Route 46, Suite 504
Persippany, NY 07054

Dear Mr. Schiada:

On November 12, 2001, I was located at Floyd Bennett Field adjacent to JFK Airport when I observed AA587 go down.

I was looking out the Red Cross office trailer window and I saw AA587 headed in a south eastern direction. I observed the plane make a sharp bank back to the north then spiral downward nose first.

I did not see any parts falling off the plane

When I first saw the plane, it was on fire. It looked as if the whole right side of the plane, the side facing me, was on fire. It continued to burn until it was out of site.

It looked as if the plane falling from the sky was in slow motion but I'm sure it took only a few seconds. I lost site of the plane just before it made contact with the ground. One minute it was falling, the next was a big black cloud of smoke.

I can be reached at [REDACTED] 24 hours a day, if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ
One Path Plaza, Jersey City, NJ, 07306
POLICE NON-CRIMINAL INCIDENT
FOLLOW-UP REPORT

TEL. EXT. (201) 216-8800

Follow-up #

UP 61 Number		Agency 03	Facility JFK	County of Offense Queens	NCIR Number 22230-01
1	Complaint Investigate Aircraft Crash	Law/Sect	Crime Code	Date Occurred 11-12-01	P.A. Location Code 000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NY <input type="checkbox"/> NJ
2	Complaint	Law/Sect	Crime Code	Day Occurred Monday	Time Occurred (From-To) 0915
Place of Occurrence (Address) <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outside		Newport Road Belle Harbor, New York		Date Reported 11/12/01	Time Reported 0921
Complainant's Name (Last, First, Initial) The People			Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Race	Age
Complainant's Address State Of New York					Area Cd - Bus. Tele.
1	Suspect's Name (Last, First, Initial)	<input type="checkbox"/> Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Interviewed	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Race	D.O.B.
Suspect's Address			Hgt	Wgt	Hair
			Eyes	Soc. Sec. Number	
			P.A. Arrest No.		B. Number
2	Suspect's Name (Last, First, Initial)	<input type="checkbox"/> Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Interviewed	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Race	D.O.B.
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			P.A. Arrest No.		B. Number
Pct of Occurrence 100	Pct Voucher No.	Wanted Person Alarm No.	Docket Number	Court Date	Court
Magistrate	Disposition	Case Closed <input type="checkbox"/> By Arrest <input type="checkbox"/> By Other	Case Open <input type="checkbox"/> Inactive <input type="checkbox"/> Active	Records Section Only <input type="checkbox"/> Master Log <input type="checkbox"/> MNI File	
<p>Details of Complaint: On follow-up report give additional details of complaint such as progress of investigation, description of property recovered, etc.</p> <p>Synopsis: Investigate crash of American Airlines, Airbus A300. Flight number 587; Tail number N053AA, departed John F. Kennedy International Airport on the above date, via runway 31L enroute to Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic.</p> <p>During the morning of November 12, 2001 at 1015 hrs. the undersigned was asked to respond to the Ramada Plaza Hotel to interview witnesses to the crash of American Airlines, flight #587. When the undersigned arrived at the hotel, the undersigned was directed by P.O. George Latimer PAPD, to three (3) individuals seated on a couch, against the window. [REDACTED] Texarkana Arkansa 71854, [REDACTED] was the first to be interviewed by the undersigned.</p> <p>[REDACTED] gave this account, three of us were in a trailer at, Floyd Bennette Field. We are part of the Red Cross staff sent here to assist in the September 11 disaster at the World Trade Center. Frank, [REDACTED] and myself, looked out of the window, [REDACTED] saw it first. The plane looked like the sides were on fire. The plane looked like it was turning, coming in for a landing. As the plane came down, it decended in a loose spiraling motion said [REDACTED] "I did not see it hit the ground, I just saw the smoke". "The plane was fully intact when it hit the ground".</p>					
Arresting/Investigating Officer <i>Det. St. Clair</i>			Shield Number 116	Tax Registry Number 21324	
Tour Commander <i>St. Clair</i>			Date	Facility Commanding Officer	
			Date		

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/19/01

██████████, dob ██████████, was contacted by the writer, and advised of the identity of the writer and the purpose of the contact. The following is a summary of the information provided by ██████████:

██████████ advised that he was fishing in Jamaica Bay on the morning of November 12, 2001, when he heard a loud pop from the sky. ██████████ stated that he looked up in the sky and witnessed a plane on fire, and appear to have some debris break off and hit the tail section, which subsequently separated from the plane. ██████████ then observed the plane tilt to one side, and plummet to the ground. ██████████ advised that debris continued to fall into the bay, and he began to assist the NYPD Marine Bureau in recovering the debris. ██████████ advised that he was one of the first boats to respond, because there were not any other boats in the bay.

Investigation on 11/16/01 at Queens, NY
File # 149A-NY-280669 - 302 - 175 Date dictated 11/17/01
by William K. Hekel

COMPLAINT - FOLLOW UP INFORMATIONAL
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Crime	INVEST PLANE CRASH	Pct	100	OCCB No.		Complaint No.	3325	Date of This Report	11-16-01
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Date of Orig. Report	11-12-01	Date Assigned	11-12-01	Case No.	1389	Unit Reporting	100 SOD	Follow-Up No.	
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Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.
 P.S.N.Y.

Victim's Name - If Different

Last Name, First, M.I.	[REDACTED]		Address, include City, State, Zip	[REDACTED]		Apt. No.	
Home Telephone	[REDACTED]		Business Telephone	[REDACTED]		Sex	M
	[REDACTED]		Position / Relationship	N/A		Race	WHITE
	[REDACTED]		Date of Birth	[REDACTED]		Age	45

Total No. of Perpetrators	Wanted	Arrested	Weapon	Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Used <input type="checkbox"/> Possessed				

Wanted	Arrested	Last Name, First, M.I.	Address, include City, State, Zip				Apt. No.	Res. Pct.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]				[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Age	Height	Weight	Eye Color	Hair Color	Hair Length	Facial Hair	NYSID No.

Eyeglasses	Sunglasses	Clothing Description		Address, include City, State, Zip				Apt. No.	Res. Pct.
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Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Age	Height	Weight	Eye Color	Hair Color	Hair Length	Facial Hair	NYSID No.

Eyeglasses	Sunglasses	Clothing Description		Address, include City, State, Zip				Apt. No.	Res. Pct.
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Comp. Interviewed	In Person	By Phone	Date	Time	Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)
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Witness Interviewed	In Person	By Phone	Date	Time	Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)
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Canvass Conducted	If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results		Crime Scene Visited	If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained	
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Complainant Viewed Photos	Results:
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Witness Viewed Photos	Results:
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Crime Scene Dusted	By (Enter Results in Details)	Crime Scene Photos	By (Enter Results in Details)
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If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details:

C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

6. DETAILS:

INVESTIGATION: PLANE CRASH
 SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF WITNESS [REDACTED]
 CONTENTS: SAW PIECE OF WING KNOCK TAIL OFF

1. On the above date and time I did receive a call from [REDACTED] concerning this investigation. He advises that at the T/P/O he and his friend [REDACTED] were fishing in a boat around Beach 118 Street in the Middle of the Bay. Suddenly he heard a Popping sound and looked up to see a airplane with the Left Side on fire. Suddenly a part of the wing broke off and crashed into the Tail knocking it off and into the Bay. The plane then jerked upward and then nosedived into the ground. He then saw a black cloud of smoke and a large amount of debris rained down into his boat. he states that a short time later a Police Boat #31 arrived at the scene and that he helped them pick up debris from the bay.

2. CASE.....ACTIVE.... F.B.I. AGENT BOB HART NOTIFIED AT 1615 HRS?

CASE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED	DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED	11/18/01	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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REPORTING OFFICER:	RANK	DET.	SIGNATURE	NAME PRINTED	TAX REC. NO.	COMMAND
[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]	THOMAS DOLAN	883079	100SOD

REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR:	CASE	ENTER DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE	C.O.'S INITIALS
[REDACTED]	CLOSED: C	OR B	[REDACTED]	

Choice 1	Choice 2	Perp 1	Perp 2	Perp 1	Perp 2

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Date of Orig. Report: 11/12/01 Date Assigned: 11/12/01 Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: 100PDU Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: PSNY Victim's Name - If Different:

Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, Include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.:

Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position / Relationship: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age:

Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.):

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, Include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.: Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, Include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.: Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

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Comp. Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained:

Complainant Viewed Photos: Results: Witness Viewed Photos: Results:

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: By (Enter Results in Details):

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INV. PLANE CRASH

SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITNESS

1. On this date, at approx. 1900 Hrs. the undersigned spoke to [REDACTED] who states he was a witness to the plane crash on 11/12/01. [REDACTED] further states that he was in a boat fishing in th Jamaica Bay in the vicinity of E.118 St. at approx. 0915 Hrs. with a friend of his, [REDACTED] when he saw the plane fly overhead with flames around the wing area. He further stated that he then saw a peice of the wing detach and strike the tail which in turn knocked the tail off the plane and then saw the plane go down.

2. CASE ACTIVE...

CASE: ACTIVE [] CLOSED [] DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: 11/15/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW:

REPORTING OFFICER: RANK: DET. SIGNATURE: NAME PRINTED: VERNA TAX REG. NO.: 887671 COMMAND: 100SQD.

REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: CASE: ENTER DESIGNATION: SIGNATURE: C.O.'S INITIALS:

Choice 1 Choice 2 Perp 1 Perp 2 Perp 3 Perp 4

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/19/01

██████████ 524 Beach 136th Street, Belle Harbor, New York 11694, telephone ██████████, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and of the purpose of the interview. He then provided the following information:

██████████ advised that some time after 9:00 AM this morning, he heard a loud roar which was too loud for a normal airplane sound. He looked out from his kitchen window, which is in the rear of his home. As he was looking in an eastward direction, he saw an airplane descending from the sky going south. It was going straight, then it went into a spiral. He did not see any flames or smoke coming from the plane. He did not observe any parts in his backyard.

Investigation on 11/12/01 at Belle Harbor, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669

Date dictated 11/17/01

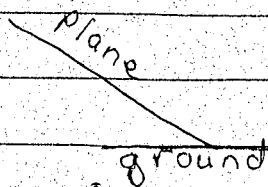
by SA FRANK M. FINN:etg

2/12/02

Dear Mr. Schiada,

I am responding to your letter concerning the accident on November 12, 2001.

That morning, my husband & I were in our kitchen. We heard an unusually loud airplane noise. I rushed to the window which was facing east. To my horror I saw a plane coming down somewhat like this:



I did not observe any parts falling or see any smoke or fire. It was about a minute before the plane was out of sight. We then saw black ~~smoke~~ smoke rising in the sky.

If you should need to speak to me, you may call anytime after 4 P.M. My phone # is [REDACTED]

Dear Luke Schiada at the NTSB,

At about 8:30ish on the day of Nov 12Th I was coming out of the coffee and sandwich shop on the corner of 116Th St and Newport Ave when I was looking into the sky drinking my coffee when I noticed an American airliner flying. I thought to myself imagine if they hijacked it. Next I could not imagine what I saw next (I saw the aircraft make a thirty degree turn in flight (with the left hand extended and the pinky turning left) it made a turn and pieces began to fly off of the aircraft, what I saw coming off of it or appeared to me as a wing flap. Then it belly dived but before it crashed it had a spiral motion then nosedived. It fell so close to where my mother was sleeping I said oh my God. I ran home and woke my mother and told her a plane crashed down the block. Then I went into the street I saw crowds and firemen so I felt since I was in the service I could use my experience. I began to help another citizen in helping direct traffic. We were pretty successful in that. I went and bought food and first aid for the firemen. Just the other day I was on my porch strung through the flowers when I found to be a part of that crashed airliner, since I was in the Navy, I know about being a plane captain. I taxied aircraft in Naval Air Station Corpus Christi Texas. Then became an Air Traffic Controller aboard the USS Kitty Hawk CV-63. So I know what aircraft are made out of. This appeared to be a small part of debris from around the tail section on the fuselage. It had a missing rivet and one intact. Its measurements were three inches by two. Sincerely what I felt what I saw it almost seemed that that airliner was targeted to that neighborhood. It just had that appearance to its fate.

If you have any other questions please feel free to contact me. Also I will be putting in a claim towards American Airlines so please write me telling to whom it may concern that I not only was a witness to the crash but it also felt debris on my home.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (Rokaway Queens) New York
[REDACTED]



National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: February 5, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] witnessed the subject accident airplane from the corner of 116th Street and Newport Avenue, as he exited a coffee shop. He submitted a written statement to the Safety Board, and provided the following additional information:

He did not observe any smoke or fire emanating from the airplane at anytime during his observation. He reiterated that he observed the airplane in a left turn, when "pieces began to fall off," he believed one of the pieces was a "wing flap." The airplane then began to nose dive and "spiraled down" to the ground.

[REDACTED] stated he was retired from the Navy, where he was involved in air traffic control.

Date of Orig. Report: 11/12/01 Date Assigned: 11/12/01 Case No.: 1325 Unit Reporting: MAJOR CASE UNIT Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: Victim's Name - If Different:

Witness No. 1: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position/Relationship: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age:

Perpetrators: Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.): Used: Possessed:

Perp. No. 1: Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct. Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

Perp. No. 1: Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

Perp. No. 2: Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct. Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

Perp. No. 2: Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

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Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained:

Complainant Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results: Witness Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results:

Crime Scene Dusted: Yes: No: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: Yes: No: By (Enter Results in Details):

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral: C-2 Inaccurate Facts: C-3 No Evidence/Can't ID: C-4 Uncooperative Complainant: C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS:

INVESTIGATION: CRASH OF AMERICAN AIRLINES FLT. #587
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

CONTENT: INTERVIEW WITH WITNESS

1. On 11/12/01 at approximately 11:50 hours the undersigned interviewed [REDACTED] at St. Francis Desales Church located on Beach 29 Street and Rockaway Beach Blvd. He related the following. At approximately 09:15 I was fishing with two friends on my boat approximately 100 yards west of the Cross Bay Toll Bridge. I look up and saw airplane approximately 1000 yards west of us. The plane started to pitch to the left, I then noticed a piece of the right wing break off. It look to me that the pilot attempted to pull the plane back towards the water. I then noticed something that look like a parachute near the rear of the plane. I called the 101 Pct. from my cell phone and spoke with the desk officer, [REDACTED]. I told him to notify the Aviation and Harbor Units. The plane then went into a nose dive into the houses, I heard a giant explosion, a Harbor Unit then came to the scene. I identified myself to them, they requested us to assist them. We recovered approximately six pieces of the airplane, which we gave to the Harbor Unit. I was then told to leave the area, at which time I responded to the church to be interview.

2. CASE ACTIVE PENDING FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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CASE: ACTIVE: CLOSED: DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED: 11/15/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW: REPORTING OFFICER: RANK: DET. SIGNATURE: NAME PRINTED: WILLIAMSON TAX REG. NO.: 877135 COMMAND: QWS SUPERVISOR: J.H.M. CASE CLOSED: C OR B SIGNATURE: C.O.'s INITIALS:

Date of Orig. Report: 11/12/01 Date Assigned: 11/12/01 Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: Queens Homicide Squad Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: P.S.N.Y. Victim's Name - If Different:

Witness No. 1: Last Name, First, M.I.: Badamo, Robert Address, include City, State, Zip: [REDACTED] Apt. No.:

Home Telephone: [REDACTED] Business Telephone: [REDACTED] Position/Relationship: witness Sex: M Race: W Date of Birth: Age:

Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)

Perp. No. 1: Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

Perp. No. 2: Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

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Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained

Complainant Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results:

Witness Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results:

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: Yes: No: By (Enter Results in Details):

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral: C-2 Inaccurate Facts: C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID: C-4 Uncooperative Complainant: C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: Investigation: Investigate American Airlines plane crash Subject: Interview of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], 101 Pct Summons Officer TAX Shield #16092 Tax # [REDACTED]

1: On 11/12/01 at approximately 1900 hrs [REDACTED] and the undersigned spoke with Robery Badamo at his residence located at [REDACTED]. The witness said that he was fishing in a small boat (Whaler) with his brother-in-law [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Both men are employed by the Sanitation Dept.

2: [REDACTED] said that all 3 males were in the boat at about 9:15 AM. The witness said that he looked up at the sky and saw an airplane coming from the north east going south. The witness said that he saw pieces of the plane falling to the water. He said that he saw a very small fire on the right wing close to the fuselage. The witness said he saw a long white object fall from the rear section of the plane, he ~~did not know~~ the plane as it banked, it appeared to the witness that the plane was making a complete turn, the plane then dropped and crashed vertically into the ground.

3: The witness said that they were on the west side of the Crossbay Bridge approximately 100 Yards from the bridge.

4: CASE ACTIVE

CASE: ACTIVE CLOSED DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED: 11/15/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW:

REPORTING OFFICER: [REDACTED] RANK: DET SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] NAME PRINTED: Schmittgall TAX REG. NO.: 890963 COMMAND: OHS

REVIEWING/CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [REDACTED] CASE ENTER DESIGNATION: [REDACTED] SIGNATURE: [REDACTED] C.O.'S INITIALS:

Choice 1 Choice 2 P. 1 P. 2 P. 3 P. 4

January 29, 2002

Dear Mr. Schiada,

Unfortunately, I did see Flight 587 crash. On November 12, 2001 I buckled my son into his carseat. As I leaned out of the car, (in my driveway in the front of the house) I heard a plane above. I looked up and saw a large commercial AA plane. I saw the plane was too low and there was something falling to the right of the plane. I did not think the plane was going to crash because there was no smoke or flames. The plane was headed toward the Ocean, the way all planes are headed over Rockaway. I was under the plane to its left. I saw the plane during the last 5 seconds of flight only. The plane seemed to be moving slowly and then took a nose dive into what I knew were houses. The plane was horizontal in the sky as I was watching it.

I believe I saw the right engine falling from the plane. I clearly saw the American Airlines red & blue stripes with silver belly. I saw the windows on the plane. During the last 5 seconds of flight, I did not see any smoke or flames from my viewpoint.

My final view of the plane was when it turned its nose toward the ground. Then, I saw an explosion. May God bless all those poor people on the plane and in the houses.

If I could be of further assistance my phone number is

[REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]



Crime: Investigate Plane Crash Pct. 100 OCCB No. 3325 Complainant No. 11/13/01 Date of This Report 11/13/01

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01 Date Assigned 11/12/01 Case No. 1389 Unit Reporting 100 squad Follow-up No. _____

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. P.S.N.Y. Victim's Name - If Different _____

Last Name, First, M.I. [Redacted] Address, Include City, State, Zip 512 Beach 129 street rockaway n.y. Apt. No. _____

Home Telephone [Redacted] Business Telephone _____ Position / Relationship _____ Sex F Race W Date of Birth [Redacted] Age 30

Total No. of Perpetrators _____ Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Weapon _____ Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.) _____

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, Include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description _____ Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. _____ (Continue in "Details"):

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, Include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

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Comp. Interviewed _____ In Person _____ By Phone _____ Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) _____

Witness Interviewed Yes No In Person _____ By Phone Date 11/13/01 Time 2150 Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) _____

Canvass Conducted _____ If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results _____ Crime Scene Visited Yes No If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained _____

Complainant Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____

Witness Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____

Crime Scene Dusted _____ By (Enter Results in Details) _____ Crime Scene Photos Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS:
Investigation: Plane Crash

Subject: Interview of [Redacted]

1. On 11/13/01 at approx 2150 hrs the undersigned did speak to the above mentioned person regarding what she saw on the morning of 11/12/01. The interview was conducted via telephone with the following results:::

[Redacted] states that on 11/12/01 at approx 0915 hrs she was preparing to go to the bank. At this time she was playing her two year old child in the car seat of her automobile, while parked in her driveway. She states she heard a plane that sounded very strange so she looked up. She then states that she observed the belly of the plane overhead. She states that she saw a red & blue stripe on a silver plane. She also states that she noticed a large chunk of debris which she believed to be the engine falling from the sky along side the plane. She states that she did not see any smoke or flames but did observe that the plane appeared to be flying towards the ocean. Suddenly she states the plane went into a nose dive and crashed into the ground. She did not hear an explosion but did observe large orange flames with thick black smoke.

Investigation continuing.....

CASE ACTIVE CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED 11/14/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW _____

REPORTING OFFICER: _____ RANK PO SIGNATURE [Signature] NAME PRINTED DESMOND TAX-REG. NO. 903787 COMMAND 100squad

REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [Signature] CASE CLOSED: ENTER DESIGNATION _____ SIGNATURE [Signature] C.O.'s INITIALS _____

AA587 Witness

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2002 10:54 AM
To: aa587wit@ntsb.gov
Subject: response to info request

I saw the plane as it hit its apex(as far up as it went) before it fell downward. At that time the plane started downward, spiraling round and round as if it were a model being dropped from someones index finger and thumb. While descending it looked as if something on the wing was on fire(presumably an engine). Once I knew what was actually happening I looked away as it hit the ground and then looked back at it after it blew up into flames and heavy black smoke. I then got on my VHF radio to the USCG and reported my location on the water and what I had witnessed.

[REDACTED]
F/V CODFATHER [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

11/13/2001

Date of transcription

On 11/12/2001, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] address [REDACTED] Freeport, New York, telephone [REDACTED] was interviewed in the company of [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] address [REDACTED] Wantagh, New York, telephone [REDACTED] on the charter Boat "Cod Father" at the Woodcleft Fishing Station, Freeport, New York by SA John M. Mifsud and Dawn L. Martin. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information.

[REDACTED] is the owner of the charter boat "Cod Father." [REDACTED] is the mate on the boat. They were fishing with two passengers, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised that the boat was two and a quarter miles off Riis Park beach facing south. [REDACTED] advised that at 9:15 A.M. one of the passengers said "look up" and [REDACTED] saw flames coming from the right wing of a passenger jet airplane. One of the customers saw something fall from the plane. The plane spiraled down, hit the ground and then he saw smoke. [REDACTED] advised that because the diesel engines on the boat were running, he did not hear any strange noise or an explosion from the plane.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Freeport, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-302

Date dictated 11/13/2001

by SA Dawn L. Martin
SA John M. Mifsud/jmm

Valley Stream NY 11580

I did not hear any explosion but did see back section - explode in an expanding way.

Jet traveling south bound toward Atlantic ^{OCEAN} over Rockaway (Belle Harbor).

Then, after explosion, falling like a stone. First dipping left wing down and turning 90° - now in a steep dive toward Far Rockaway (EAST BOUND). I was walking west bound

(toward Belle Harbor at 109th Street and Rockaway Freeway) - at this point a clear view of the sky.

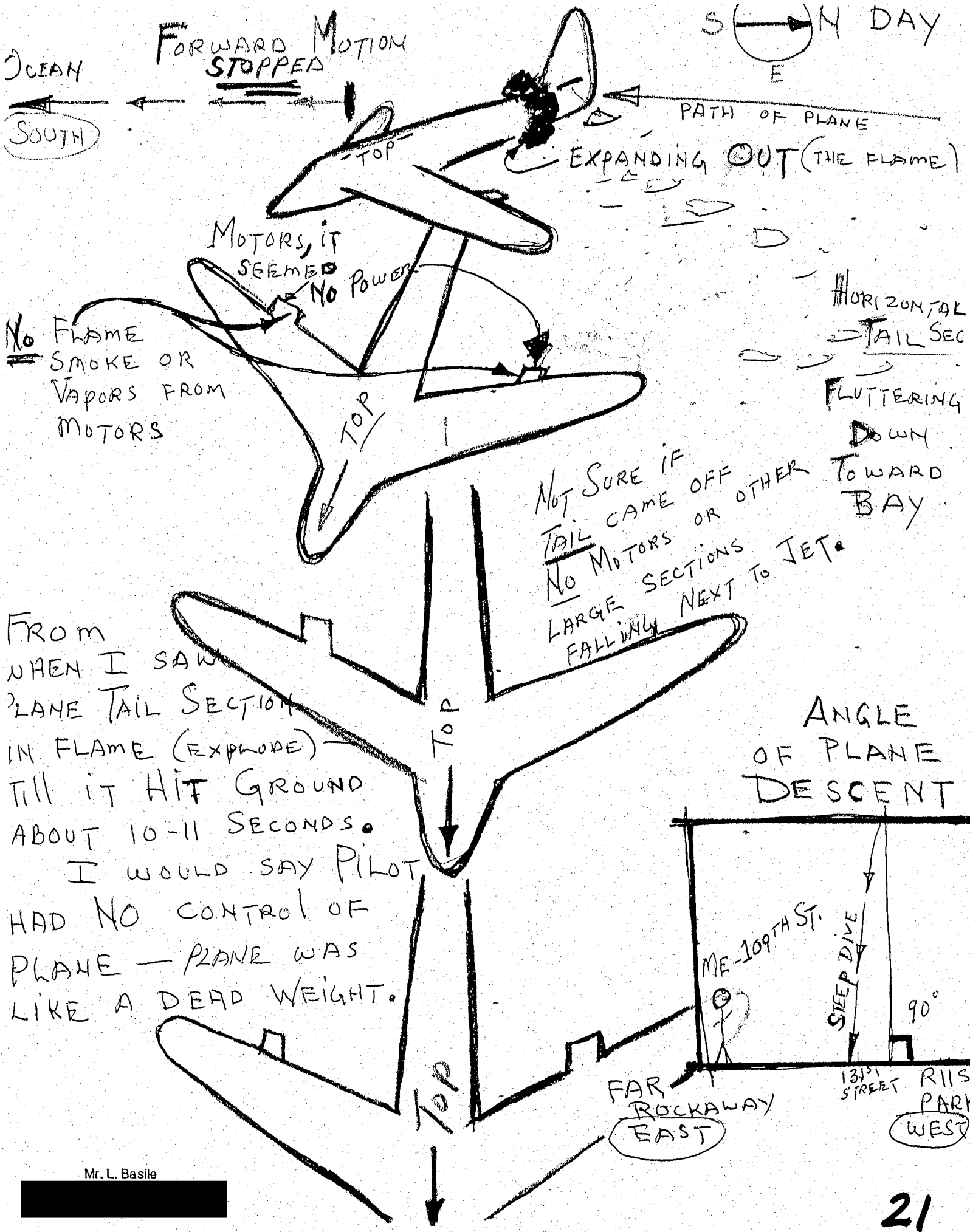
I looked up (did not see the

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first second) but saw fire expanding from rear section of jet — jet dipped left wing, turned from south bound to east bound and fell like a rock.

I did not see smoke, fire, or vapors coming from engines — they (engines) seemed dead to me (fire from rear of jet).

I observed jet from a second after explosion all the way down. (from start; the finish - 10-11 seconds). Did not see it hitting ground, because it was out of sight — view blocked by trees and buildings. In between I saw it all.



No FLAME SMOKE OR VAPORS FROM MOTORS

FROM WHEN I SAW PLANE TAIL SECTION IN FLAME (EXPLODE) TILL IT HIT GROUND ABOUT 10-11 SECONDS. I WOULD SAY PILOT HAD NO CONTROL OF PLANE — PLANE WAS LIKE A DEAD WEIGHT.

NOT SURE IF TAIL CAME OFF OR OTHER LARGE SECTIONS FALLING NEXT TO JET.

HORIZONTAL TAIL SEC
FLUTTERING DOWN TOWARD BAY

ANGLE OF PLANE DESCENT

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/15/2001

On 11/15/2001, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED], was interviewed at his residence, [REDACTED], Valley Stream, New York, telephone number [REDACTED] by Special Agent Christopher J. LaManna. [REDACTED] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview, after which he provided the following information:

[REDACTED] indicated that on 11/12/2001 he was working as a flagman for Asplund Tree Expert Co. at or about 108th Street where Rockaway freeway ends in the Rockaways. While walking on the center divider he looked up and observed a plane whose tail looked like it had expanded and was on fire. [REDACTED] indicated that as the plane started to turn he saw the left horizontal stabilizer (looking from the back of the plane) fall away from the aircraft. He indicated that he did not see anything else fall from the aircraft and was unsure if the tail section was on or not as the plane approached the ground.

Investigation on 11/15/2001 at Valley Stream, NY

File # 149A-NY-280669 - 302 Date dictated 11/15/2001

by SA Christopher J. LaManna

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01	Date Assigned 11/12/01	Case No. 1389	Unit Reporting 100 Squad	Follow-Up No.
Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. American Airlines			Victim's Name - If Different	
Last Name, First, M.I.			Address, include City, State, Zip	

Home Telephone	Business Telephone	Position / Relationship	Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Age
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Total No. of Perpetrators	Wanted	Arrested	Weapon	Describe Weapon (if firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)		
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Wanted	Arrested	Last Name, First, M.I.	Address, include City, State, Zip			Apt. No.	Res. Pct.
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Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Age	Height	Weight	Eye Color	Hair Color	Hair Length	Facial Hair	NYSID No.

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Nickname, First Name, Alias		Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc.					
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Crime Scene Dusted	By (Enter Results in Details)	Crime Scene Photos	By (Enter Results in Details)
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If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details:
 C-1 Improper Referral. C-2 Inaccurate Facts. C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID. C-4 Uncooperative Complainant. C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE AIRLINER CRASH
 SUBJECT : INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] WITNESS

1. On this date of Tuesday November 13, 2001 at 1620hrs, the undersigned along with Detective Dolan of the 100pct Detective squad were present at the Young Israel School located at Beach 129st and Croston to interview witnesses in regards to the Air Crash. At that location the undersigned interviewed [REDACTED] M/W/15 Dob [REDACTED] and who resides at [REDACTED] Brooklyn, Phone Number [REDACTED] and whose parents are [REDACTED] this witness stated that he was eating in the school cafeteria, when he heard the roar of a plane flying in the air. The witness then stated that he came outside of the school, and he saw a large plane sort of cork screwing and the plane appeared to be dropping parts that were on fire. The witness then stated that the plane disappeared behind some homes between B120st and B130st and then he heard a loud explosion.

CASE ACTIVE.....

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REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR	CASE	TAX REC. NO.
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[REDACTED]
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11234
HOME [REDACTED]
CELLULAR [REDACTED]

TO: THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
RE: EVENTS OBSERVED ON NOVEMBER 12, 2001

On Monday, November 12, 2001, I was driving South on Flatbush Avenue, heading towards the entrance to the Belt Parkway, intending to travel to Manhattan, where I was to drop off my seventeen year old daughter [REDACTED] and to take my wife [REDACTED] to a doctors appointment. Also with us was my seven year old son, [REDACTED]. We were all in our Honda Odyssey minivan.

As we drove, [REDACTED] who was sitting behind me, screamed and cried out for us to look at the plane in the sky, it was on fire! She was crying and the rest of us immediately observed a huge airliner, clearly in our view, on fire, flying seemingly level, from left to right. The fire we all observed was a raging fire, bright yellow and red, and we observed this on the right side of the jet (the only part we could see), and it was in the front one-third section, between the nose of the jet and the mid point. This was not a smoke condition but a roaring fire. What was surreal was that the jet kept flying, on fire. As I drove, we had an unobstructed view of this entire incident. I slowed to perhaps 5 or 10 mph, and we were all shouting various things like 'oh my God', 'I can't believe what I'm seeing' 'oh no' and other expressions of disbelief and horror. We continued to observe the jet for what must have been 20 to 30 seconds, until it stopped flying and fell from the sky. There immediately were two huge plumes of dark black smoke, one larger than the other. We cried. I called 911 and reported that a plane had just crashed. I observed that seemingly within moments of the impact there were two helicopters hovering high over the crash site.

The reason I have reduce my observations to writing is to be certain that the proper investigative authorities have this account. I would think hundreds of people could have made the same report, but I need to be certain. On the day of and the day after the crash, I heard several reports on the radio and television of witnesses having observed black smoke coming from the left side of the jet before the crash. I never saw that left side and cannot comment. I was surprised that I never heard any reports of what we had so

clearly and shockingly observed. Based upon this, I tried to reach out to the NTSB but the phone numbers I was provided by directory assistance all proved fruitless. Based upon this, I called the FBI, was placed in touch with the FBI group investigating this crash, based at Floyd Bennett Field, and spoke to Special Agent Jim Rothe. He was very professional and seemed interested in hearing my account. He asked if I would mind if the FBI sent two Agents to interview me, and I said of course not, I was calling to try to be helpful and would assist in any way possible. I provided both my home and cellular numbers to him. That night, he called me at approximately 7:30 P.M. at home, and he interviewed me by telephone. I told him of my interest in airplanes in general, that as a grad student I worked as a Summer Customs Inspector at JFK, I now recall I didn't mention that I had taken flying lessons many years ago, but made clear that all four of us saw the same thing and were very certain as to what we observed.

Last night I saw the Assistant Director of the NTSB live on CNN state that there was no evidence of fire until impact. He may very well have been referring to fire in the engines, per se, but hearing his words made me again want to be certain that the NTSB knew what I had observed.

I work part-time for the New York State Assembly Standing Committee on Oversight, Investigation and Analysis, have been with the Assembly for 25 years, am a Community Board member, Bergen Beach Youth Organization volunteer baseball coach, I graduated Magna Cum Laude from The State University of New York at Buffalo, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and so on. My wife is a Certified Social Worker/MSW with the NYC Board of Education, and my older son is a freshman at Harvard. I mention this otherwise irrelevant personal information simply to try to assure you of my roots in my community and hopefully of my credibility should there be any doubts as to what I have described. I know that these tragedies cause people to make up stories for the attention they may receive. I assure you I have no such agenda. My brother [REDACTED] thankfully escaped from the 92nd Floor of 2 WTC on September 11th, and I am acutely aware of the times in which we Americans are living. I'd rather err on the side of being too chatty rather than fail to share what I observed.

If I may be of any assistance or recount any of what I just spoke of, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will be pleased to cooperate in any way possible, as will my family.

I would appreciate an email simply indicating that this 'report' has been received and read.

Respectfully submitted,


Brooklyn, New York

November 16, 2001



COMPLAINT - FOLLOW UP INFORMATIONAL
 PD 313 081A SECOND SHEET (REV 8-99)M-1

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6/ [REDACTED], residing at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was walking along 129th Street and Newport Ave, when he saw the plane flying over the bay area on a climb, then all of the sudden, saw the engine fall. Once this happened, the plane fell to the ground like a rock.

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REPORTING OFFICER:	RANK: DET	SIGNATURE: <i>Thomas Chin</i>	NAME PRINTED: Thomas Chin	TAX REG. NO.: 883640	COMMAND: QHS
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Date of transcription 11/14/01

[REDACTED] Date of Birth [REDACTED] Resident of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Rockaway, New York Telephone Number [REDACTED]
3671, Cellular Telephone Number [REDACTED] was interviewed
telephonically because he was in route to Colorado Springs. Upon
being advised of the nature of the interview and the identity of
the interviewing agent [REDACTED] provided the following information:

On November 12, 2001 at approximately 9:00 AM [REDACTED]
witnessed a plane flying very low over his neighborhood. While
still in flight [REDACTED] observed a fire in one of the planes wing
engines. Shortly after seeing the fire [REDACTED] witnessed the
engine seperate and fall from the plane's wing.

Shortly after the engine fell, the wing became
unstable, moved violently, and then broke away from the plane
causing the plane to fall and crash.

[REDACTED] had no further information to add at this time.

Investigation on 11/14/01 at Kew Gardens, New York (telephonically)

File # 149A-NY-280669 - 302-95 Date dictated 11/14/01

by SA Daniel X. McCaffrey



DETAILS:

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424 B143 St - Interview of [REDACTED] (Home [REDACTED]) who does not reside thereat but was doing some outdoor work in the rear yard of the location. Observed the plane in the sky. It was tilted to it's left, like it was attempting to turn. The right wing was up and the left wing was down. The right wing then fell from the plane. Saw fire from engine on right wing.

CASE		DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED		IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
ACTIVE		11/12/01			
REPORTING OFFICER	RANK	SIGNATURE	NAME PRINTED	TAX REG. NO.	COMMAND
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1/12/01

TO Whom it may Concern: -

ON NOV. 12. 01 - I WAS
 COMING SOUTH OVER THE CROSS BAY
 BRIDGE - AND I GLANCED TO MY RIGHT
 SOUTH WEST - AND I SAW THIS LARGE
 OBJECT - LOW IN THE SKY - JUST CLEAR OF
 JAMAICA BAY - AND OVER THE ROCHFORD
 PENINSULA - IN THE SAME GLANCE -
 I SAW AN ORANGE FLAME - SEEM TO
 BE FOLLOWED BY BLACK SMOKE - I
 WENT THE SCENE - ETC.

Sincerely _____



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

2001 Route 46, Suite 504
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054
(973) 334-6561 Fax (973) 334-6759

January 2, 2002

Dear Sir or Madam,

The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating an accident that occurred on November 12, 2001, involving American Airlines flight 587, that crashed in Belle Harbor, New York. You have been identified as an eyewitness or a potential eyewitness.

On behalf of the Safety Board, I would like to request your assistance by asking that you please take the time to provide a written statement of your observations, to be returned in the self addressed stamped envelope. A hand written statement on a separate sheet of paper is fine; it does not have to be typed. If you prefer, you may email your statement to me using the address AA587WIT@NTSB.GOV.

In your statement please indicate your location and what you observed and/or heard. If applicable please discuss the following:

1. The direction the airplane was traveling (up/down-right/left?)
2. Did you observe any parts separating or falling from the airplane? If so, are you able to describe the parts? *no*
3. Did you observe any smoke or fire coming from the airplane? If so, where was it coming from and was it present the entire time you observed the airplane? *See NOTES*
4. How long did you observe the airplane? - *5-10 seconds*
5. If you lost sight of the airplane, what was your final view of the airplane? - *Sucked PLANE*

Additionally, I would appreciate it if you would provide me with a telephone number and the best time to contact you should future need arise. - *[redacted] Day Time*

Thank you for your time and cooperation. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at 973-334-6561, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Luke Schiada
Air Safety Investigator



National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: June 28, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] witnessed the subject accident airplane while driving across the Cross Bay Boulevard Bridge toward the Rockaway's. During our conversation, he stated:

He used to live in the Rockaway's and currently operates a flower shop. He observed the airplane off his right "wobbling" in the distance. The airplane was "very low" and he noticed smoke and orange flames; however, he could not tell where it was emanating from. The airplane was descending and it wobbled left and right, and the next thing he observed was black smoke rising up from the ground. He followed the smoke to the accident scene.

[REDACTED] added that he observed the airplane for about 8 to 10 seconds and did not observe any parts separate from the airplane.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/16/2001

██████████ owner of the Flower Shop on Beach 116th Street, Rockaway, New York, business telephone number ██████████ 4990, home telephone number ██████████ was interviewed at Beach 129th Street in Queens, New York. After being advised of the name of the interviewing Agent and the nature and purpose of the interview, ██████████ provided the following information:

██████████ was driving his automobile across the Marine Parkway Bridge when he observed an airplane wobbling from side to side in the air. He then saw a ball of orange flame coming from and engine and then major black smoke. ██████████ then lost sight of the airplane. ██████████ did not provide any further information.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Queens, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669 SUB 302

Date dictated N/A

by SA Kurt F. Denqler

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Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01		Date Assigned 11/12/01		INVESTIGATE PLANE CRASH		1008	3325	11/12/01		PERP 1
Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. P.S.N.Y.				Case No. 1389		Unit Reporting C.I.S.		Follow-Up No.		PERP 2
Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, Include City, State, Zip 231 BEACH 116 STREET ROCKAWAY, NY								PERP 1
Home Telephone		Business Telephone		Position/Relationship MANAGER		Sex M	Race WH	Date of Birth	Age 50	PERP 2
Total No. of Perpetrators		Wanted		Arrested		Weapon		Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, caliber, type, model, etc.)		PERP 2
Wanted		Arrested		Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, Include City, State, Zip		Apt. No.	Res. Pct.	PERP 1
Sex		Race		Date of Birth		Age		Height		PERP 2
Weight		Eye Color		Hair Color		Hair Length		Facial Hair		PERP 2
NYSID No.		Eyeglasses		Sunglasses		Clothing Description		Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")		CHOICE 1
Nickname, First Name, Alias		Wanted		Arrested		Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, Include City, State, Zip		CHOICE 2
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INVESTIGATION: PLANE CRASH
SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITNESS

1. ON 11/12/01 AT APPROXIMATELY 1530 HOURS, THE UNDERSIGNED DI INTERVIEW WITNESS [REDACTED] M/W 50 OF GEORGES FLORIST LOCATED ON 231 BEACH 116 STREET, ROCKAWAY, NY [REDACTED] WHOMSTTES WHILE DRIVING ACROSS THE CROSS BAY BRIDGE HEADING TOWARD HIS BUSINESS, HE OBSERVED WHAR APPEARED TO BE AN AIRCRAFT FLYING LOW IN THE SKY THAT SEEMED TO BE "WIGGLING" FROM SIDE TO SIDE IN THE AIR AND A BALL OF FLAME PRIOR TO THE PLANES IMPACT INTO TH GROUND. THE WITNESS HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION AT THIS TIME.

2. CASE STATUS: ACTIVE

CASE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED	DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW
REPORTING OFFICER	RANK	SIGNATURE	NAME PRINTED
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CASE	ENTER DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE	COMMAND C.I.S.
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COMPLAINT - FOLLOW UP
INFORMATIONAL
PD 313-081A (Rev. 4-89)-31

Crime: Investigate Poss. Crime Scene 100
Pct. _____ OCCB No. _____
Complaint No. 3325 Date of This Report 11/12/01

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01 Date Assigned 11/12/01
Case No. 1309 Unit Reporting Queens Insl. Follow-Up No. _____

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. _____ Victim's Name - If Different _____

Witness No. 1 Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____

Home Telephone: _____ Business Telephone _____ Position/Relationship _____ Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Total No. of Perpetrators _____ Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Weapon _____ Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.) _____
 Used Possessed

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Perp. No. 1 Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description _____
Nickname, First Name, Alias _____ Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. _____
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Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Perp. No. 2 Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

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Witness Interviewed Yes No In Person By Phone _____ Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) _____

PERP 1 Canvass Conducted Yes No If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results _____ Crime Scene Visited Yes No If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained _____

PERP 2 Complainant Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____

PERP 1 Witness Viewed Photos Yes Refused Future Results: _____

PERP 2 Crime Scene Dusted Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____ Crime Scene Photos Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____

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PERP 1 DETAILS:

INVESTIGATION: POSSIBLE CRIME SCENE
SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITNESS [REDACTED]

On this date at approximately 1340 hrs. the undersigned conducted an interview with witness [REDACTED] of 231 Beach 116 st Rockaway Beach, N.Y. In sum and substance the above named witness states he was traveling south bound on the Flatbush ave. bridge at aprox 0900 hrs when he observed a plane falling to the ground over Rockaway. witness also states plane was in flames.

CONTACT# [REDACTED]

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Invest. Plane Crash 100 3325 11-12-01

PERP 1

Date of Orig. Report: 11-12-01 Date Assigned: 1389 Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: BS-Intelligence Division Follow-Up No.:

PERP 2

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: Victim's Name - If Different:

PERP 1

Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.:

PERP 2

Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position/Relationship: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age:

PERP 1

Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, caliber, type, model, etc.):

PERP 2

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

PERP 1

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSD No.:

CHOICE 1

Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

CHOICE 2

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

PERP 1

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSD No.:

CHOICE 2

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CHOICE 2

Comp. Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

CHOICE 1

Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

CHOICE 2

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained:

CHOICE 1

Complainant Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results:

CHOICE 2

Witness Viewed Photos: Yes: Refused: Future: Results:

PERP 1

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: Yes: No: By (Enter Results in Details):

PERP 2

If Closing Case "No Results." Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: O-1 Improper Referral: O-2 Inaccurate Facts: O-3 No Evidence / Can't ID: O-4 Uncooperative Complainant: O-5 "Leads" Exhausted:

PERP 1

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE ACCIDENT/PLANE CRASH

PERP 2

CANVASS: WITNESS CANVASS

PERP 1

1. On above date @ approximately 1100 hours I did conduct a canvass for witnesses to a plane crash 430 133RD Street was checked with negative results.

PERP 2

4. Ms. [redacted] of 411 133RD Street [redacted] observed the right wing fall of and the plane "nosedive" straight down. She did not hear an explosion.

PERP 1

CASE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED	DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED:	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW:
REPORTING OFFICER:	RANK: [Signature]	SIGNATURE: [Signature]	NAME PRINTED: [Signature]
REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR:	CASE: [Signature]	ENTER DESIGNATION: [Signature]	SIGNATURE: [Signature]
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[REDACTED]
 411 Bl33rd St - Spoke to an [REDACTED] f/white [REDACTED] stated that she observed a low flying plane that's wing fell off and then the plane nose dived. She states that she did not see any fire or smoke coming from the plane prior to the plane nose diving.

[REDACTED]

4) In view of the above facts, the undersigned requests that this case remain active.

CASE		DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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REVIEWING/CLOSING SUPERVISOR:	CASE ENTER DESTINATION	SIGNATURE	C.O.'S INITIALS	
	CLOSED: C	[Signature]	EXGS	

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National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: March 12, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] was interviewed by a witness group member via telephone. During the conversation he stated:

He was home in the kitchen, when he felt the house "rumble" for a brief period. He then noticed out of the corner of his eye, the tail of an airplane descending. He observed the airplane for a "split second," before it impacted the ground and a fireball erupted. He did not observe any flames or smoke prior to the airplane's impact with the ground. He also stated he did not hear any sound associated with the airplane.

[REDACTED] stated he did not observe any parts separating from the airplane or falling from the sky.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/13/2001

On 11/12/2001, [REDACTED] residing at 189 Beach 123 Street, Belle Harbor, New York, telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent Jin W. Kim of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

On 11/12/2001, at approximately 9:15 A.M., [REDACTED] was sitting at a table in the kitchen with his wife when he heard a loud plane noise from outside. He immediately looked out through the kitchen window and observed a tail end of a plane falling straight down from the sky. He did not know where it landed but his kitchen window faced Northwest. Planes usually do not fly low in his neighborhood. However, this plane appeared to have been flying low because of the loud engine noise it made. [REDACTED] was unsure if the tail end of the plane which he observed was detached from the rest of the plane as it fell from the sky.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Belle Harbor, New York

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Date dictated _____

by SA Jin W. Kim *JWK*

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Date of transcription 11/14/01

██████████ ██████████ Brooklyn, New York, Basement apartment, telephone ██████████ was interviewed through a translator, ██████████ a co-worker. ██████████ is employed by Joseph Iandolo Landscaping and was working in the area of Beach 130th Street and Rockaway Beach Boulevard on November 12, 2001.

██████████ stated that at about 9:15 A.M., November 12, 2001, he had heard a loud noise and looked up to see an airplane flying low over the area. ██████████ said that he could see that the left wing was on fire and the wings were dipping left and right. ██████████ stated that he heard no explosion while the plane was in the air, only the explosion upon impact with the ground. ██████████ said that he ran for safety when the plane crashed.

Investigation on 11/14/01 at Queens, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-302 Date dictated 11/14/01

by SA RICHARD P. MIKA

Date of Orig. Report **11/12/01** Date Assigned **11/12/01** Case No. **1389** Unit Reporting **100 P.D.U.** Follow-Up No. _____

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. _____ Victim's Name - If Different _____

Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____

Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____ Position/Relationship _____ Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Total No. of Perpetrators _____ Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Weapon _____ Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.) _____

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

Eye-glasses _____ Sunglasses _____ Clothing Description _____ Nickname, First Name, Alias _____ Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. _____ (Continue in "Details") _____

Wanted _____ Arrested _____ Last Name, First, M.I. _____ Address, include City, State, Zip _____ Apt. No. _____ Res. Pct. _____

Sex _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Hair Length _____ Facial Hair _____ NYSID No. _____

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Comp. Interviewed: Yes No In Person By Phone Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) _____

Witness Interviewed: Yes No In Person By Phone Date _____ Time _____ Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) _____

Canvass Conducted: Yes No If Yes, Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results _____ Crime Scene Visited: Yes No If Yes, Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained _____

Complainant Viewed Photos: Yes Refused Future Results: _____

Witness Viewed Photos: Yes Refused Future Results: _____

Crime Scene Dusted: Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____ Crime Scene Photos: Yes No By (Enter Results in Details) _____

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details:
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DETAILS: **INVESTIGATION PLANE CRASH FLIGHT 587 AMERICAN AIRLINES**

CONTENTS INTERVIEW OF WITNESS

WITNESS: [REDACTED] d/o [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SELDON NY 11784

STATED HE SAW WING OF PLANE COME OFF AND SAW THE PLANE DOING FLIPS BEFORE PLANE HIT THE GROUND.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

CASE: ACTIVE CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: **11/15/01** IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW _____

REPORTING OFFICER: [Signature] RANK: **Sgt** SIGNATURE: [Signature] NAME PRINTED: **DREW** TAX REG. NO.: **912755** COMMAND: **581T**

REVIEWING/CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [Signature] CASE: **Closed** ENTER DESIGNATION: _____ SIGNATURE: [Signature] C.O.'s INITIALS: _____

Choice 1 _____ Choice 2 _____ Pcp 1 _____ Pcp 2 _____ Pcp 3 _____ Pcp 4 _____

Investigate		100	3325	11/12/01
Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01	Date Assigned 11/12/01	Case No. 1380	Unit Reporting 75 Det Squad	Follow-Up No.
Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. American Airlines			Victim's Name - If Different	
Last Name, First, M.I.			Address, include City, State, Zip 933 E. 26th st, Bklyn	
Home Telephone		Business Telephone	Position/Relationship student	Sex M
Date of Birth		Age 16		
Total No. of Perpetrators		Wanted	Arrested	Weapon
Wanted		Last Name, First, M.I.		
Sex		Race	Date of Birth	Age
Height		Weight	Eye Color	Hair Color
Hair Length		Facial Hair		
NYSID No.		Clothing Description		
Eyeglasses		Sunglasses		
Nickname, First Name, Alias		Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc.		
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Witness Interviewed		In Person	By Phone	Date
Time		Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)		
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If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained		If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained		
Complainant Viewed Photos		Results:		
Witness Viewed Photos		Results:		
Crime Scene Dusted		By (Enter Results in Details)		Crime Scene Photos
By (Enter Results in Details)		By (Enter Results in Details)		
If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details:				
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DETAILS: Investigation: American Airlines Disaster				
Subject: Interviews with witnesses, v/o B. 131th street/Newport st				
1. On 11/12/01, at approx 1130 hrs, I was present, v/o B. 131th street/Newport ave for the purpose of locating witnesses and or plane wreckage. I spoke to student [redacted] who attends Mercaz Hatorah of Belle Harbor located at 505 Beach 129th street, [redacted] who informed me that at approx 0920 hrs, while he was at the c/o 129th st and Cronston ave he heard what sounded like a supersonic jet fly overhead. [redacted] looked up towards the sky and saw 2 jet engines crack off, intact, falling from the sky. He watched the plane take a nose dive onto a block a short distance away. [redacted] didn't recall seeing any fire coming from the jet as it passed by.				

CASE		DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED		IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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[Signature]			[Signature]		
Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 1	Choice 2

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National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: June 26, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Present: Luke Schiada, Witness Group

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] witnessed the subject accident airplane from his residence located at 125 Beach 124th Street, Apartment 6L. During our conversation, he stated:

A window in his apartment over looked Jamaica Bay, and while his was getting dressed, he looked up and observed what he believed was "the belly of an airplane;" however he did not remember observing any engines or tail surfaces. The airplane was in view at an elevation of about 20 degrees from the window. The airplane was perpendicular to his vision, in an "almost 90 degree turn" toward the right, descending. He did not observe any smoke or fire until the airplane disappeared from his view. He then observed a large explosion and smoke rising from the ground. He did not recall observing any specific parts separate from the airplane; however, he did observe "some debris" falling.

[REDACTED] estimated that he observed the airplane "for about 5 seconds." He was 73 years old and a retired stationary engineer. He added that is was his job "to be observant."

January 17, 2002

Mr. Luke Schiada
Air Safety Investigator
National Transportation Safety Board
2001 Route 46, Suite 504
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

RE: Statement of what I witnessed of Flight 587 American Airlines Crash
on November 12, 2001 in Belle Harbor, NY

My name is [REDACTED] and I live at 267 Beach 130th Street, Belle Harbor,
N.Y. 11694.

On the morning of Monday, November 12, 2001 at approximately 9:10 a.m. I was in my kitchen. I was standing at my stove which looks out at Beach 131st Street. I was boiling some eggs and a few minutes later I heard a very loud snapping sound. Then right after that, I heard a noise that sounded like the Concord. I ducked down in my kitchen because it sounded like it was right over my apartment and it was VERY, VERY, LOUD.

At that time I was standing at my stove looking out the windows and I saw the air get very blurry and it looked like it was in a wavy motion. By that I mean it looked like the air in the desert when it is so hot, but worse. All of a sudden I saw, what looked like a huge bullet on fire. It came down at a very slight angle and crashed into the Lawler's house. I saw no wings, just this large object that looked like a huge bullet on fire. Then there was a huge explosion. The fire and smoke was all around my house.

It got very hot in my kitchen so I ran to the bathroom because there is no window that faces 131st street but it was even hotter in there so I just went to the front of the house and ran out onto the deck.

I saw my landlady, [REDACTED] her two children and her mother running out of the house. I yelled out to her and they all turned and looked up. They screamed to me to jump. "Jump Rosemary, just jump". At that time [REDACTED] from across the street came running over and he stood at the stoop. He said for me to jump and he would try and catch me. They were all screaming for me to jump. So I sat down on the gutter and jumped down onto the stoop. [REDACTED] broke my fall and we rolled down the stairs together. We got up and we all ran across the street to [REDACTED] house.

Everything behind our house was on fire with huge flames shooting up into the air, lots of black smoke and loud popping sounds. Smoke was coming out of the sewers.



Home Phone number:



Work Phone number:



Crime: Investigate Aided Pct: 1000 OCCB No.: 3325 Complaint No.: 11-13-01 Date of This Report: 11-13-01

Date of Orig. Report: 11-12-01 Date Assigned: same Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: MNHS/J Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I.: PSNY Victim's Name - If Different:

Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No.:

Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position / Relationship: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age:

Total No. of Perpetrators: Wanted Arrested Weapon Used Possessed Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, caliber, type, model, etc.):

Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

Eyeglasses Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.:

Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.:

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Witness Interviewed: Yes No In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details):

Canvass Conducted: Yes No If Yes: Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results: Crime Scene Visited: Yes No If Yes: Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained:

Complainant Viewed Photos: Yes Refused Future Results:

Witness Viewed Photos: Yes Refused Future Results:

Crime Scene dusted: Yes No By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: Yes No By (Enter Results in Details):

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DETAILS: Investigation: Investigate Aided

Subject: Interview [REDACTED]
267 B130st, Bell Harbor, NY
DOB: [REDACTED]
Tel: [REDACTED]

On Tuesday November 13th, 2001 at about 0930hrs the undersigned, Detective Corey and Sgt. Losada of the JTTF spoke to Rosemary Brasilia at her residence regarding her crash of flight 587.

[REDACTED] provided the following information;

[REDACTED] at about 0915hrs on November 12th, 2001.

[REDACTED] was cooking in her kitchen when she heard two distinct noises, a loud bang followed by a whistling sound. She looked out of her window located above the kitchen sink and observed a plane rapidly descending vertically towards the ground.

She described the plane as being on fire, without wings, and appearing to look like a bullet.

The plane crashed between two houses which were located directly in two lots located in front of [REDACTED] kitchen window. The plane exploded sending flames and smoke into the air. [REDACTED] immediately left her kitchen and went into an adjacent bathroom.

However the heat from the explosion was so intense that she had to leave the bathroom and exit the apt thru a window located in the front of the house.

Case active

Case: Active Closed DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: 11/13/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW:

REPORTING OFFICER: Dimuro Det SIGNATURE: [Signature] NAME PRINTED: Dimuro TAX REG. NO.: 878995 COMMAND: MNHS

REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: CASE CLOSED: 0 ENTER DESIGNATION: OR 0 SIGNATURE: [Signature] C.O.'S INITIALS:

Choice 1: Choice 2: Pct 1: Pct 2: Pct 3: Pct 4:

January 16, 2002

[REDACTED]
141 Beach 122 street
Rockaway, NY 11694

Dear Mr. Schiada,

My name is [REDACTED] and I witnessed the crash of Flight 587. I reside at 141 Beach 122 street. At the time of the crash I was in my backyard. While I was in the backyard, I was talking on the telephone. I then heard a noise which, at first, reminded me of the Concorde. However, I quickly realized the sound was much louder than the Concorde. At this point I looked in the direction of 129 street facing Jamaica Bay. I saw Flight 587 at a low elevation. The plane was shaking side to side as it was descending downward. The plane actually appeared closer to my residence then the vicinity of where the plane crashed. As it was coming down the nose of the plane was facing to the right of my backyard. I saw the plane shaking for approximately thirty seconds when there was a ball of fire in the rear section of the plane. Once the ball of fire was visible the engine separated from the plane. As the plane was going down the engine began to fall to the left. The engine seemed as if it was flying in my direction. Once the plane descended to the level of the homes I lost sight of the plane. Once the plane crashed my phone went dead. I was in shock at this point and do not remember any other noises besides the noise prior to the fire.

I greatly appreciate you investigating this crash. As a resident of Rockaway, I feel I have the right to know the cause of this crash. Having to live with the vision of Flight 587 crashing is extremely painful. I feel knowing the cause would help me greatly. Feel free to contact me if you would like to ask me any further questions. I am a college student, so my telephone number while college is in session is [REDACTED]. While college is out of session my telephone number is [REDACTED]. Thank you for allowing me to voice my account of the crash of Flight 587.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01 Date Assigned 11/12/01 Case No. 1389 Unit Reporting BS INTELL Follow-Up No.

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. Victim's Name - If Different

Witness No. 1 Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Home Telephone Business Telephone Position / Relationship Sex Race Date of Birth Age

Total No. of Perpetrators Wanted Arrested Weapon Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)

Perp. No. 1 Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Res. Pct. Sex Race Date of Birth Age Height Weight Eye Color Hair Color Hair Length Facial Hair NYSID No. Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description Nickname, First Name, Alias Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")

Perp. No. 2 Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Res. Pct. Sex Race Date of Birth Age Height Weight Eye Color Hair Color Hair Length Facial Hair NYSID No. Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description Nickname, First Name, Alias Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")

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Comp. Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details) Witness Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Canvas Conducted If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results. Crime Scene Visited If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained

Complainant Viewed Photos Results: Witness Viewed Photos Results:

Crime Scene Visited By (Enter Results in Details) Crime Scene Photos By (Enter Results in Details)

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INTERVIEW OF RESIDENTS:

On the above date the undersigned interviewed [redacted] fo 141 B122 sh. She stated she was outside in the back yard and observed the plane with a ball of fire coming from the engine. She saw the engine come off the plane and she then heard a loud noise. She saw smoke come from the area where plane landed. [redacted] is a college student and can be reached at [redacted]

CASE/ACTIVE CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED 11/14/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW REPORTING OFFICER: Det SIGNATURE: Dennis Jones NAME PRINTED: Dennis Jones TAX REC. NO. 884101 COMMAND: BS/CIS REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: [signature] CASE ENTER DESIGNATION: C OR B SIGNATURE: [signature] C.O.'S INITIALS

Choice 1 Choice 2 Perp 1 Perp 2

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Date of transcription 11/13/2001

On 11/12/2001, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Rockville Center, New York, telephone number [REDACTED], was interviewed outside 137th Street, Belle Harbor, New York. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the purpose of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] was working on a construction site on Marine Parkway Bridge when, at about 9:15 a.m., his partner, [REDACTED] pointed out to [REDACTED] the explosion of a plane in the sky. [REDACTED] then looked up towards the sky and saw a plane full of flames and smoke. The plane was going down southeast of the bridge. [REDACTED] observed two pieces of the plane fall into the water about 100 yards off the land. [REDACTED] could not see the rest of the plane go down. [REDACTED] was working for KISKA CONSTRUCTION, Whitestone, New York.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Belle Harbor, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-302

Date dictated 11/13/2001

by SA Paul N. Harris

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[REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] home address [REDACTED] Melksham, Wiltshire, England, was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview. Also present was GEORGE SANTIAGO of the Port Authority Police Department. [REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] was a passenger of BRITISH AIRWAYS Flight #178, scheduled to leave New York's JOHN F. KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT at 9:00 a.m. on November 12, 2001 for London.

She was sitting in seat 52J, a window seat in Economy Class, on the right side of the airplane. Shortly after 9:00 a.m. on November 12, 2001, as the plane was waiting in a queue of other airplanes for takeoff, [REDACTED] looked out the window and observed an airplane with its nose down in a rapid descent toward the ground. As the plane impacted the ground, she observed flames and smoke shoot up from the area of impact. [REDACTED] advised she basically saw what she thought was an intact airplane explode upon hitting the ground. She did not see the plane on fire as it descended. She further advised there was no debris falling from the sky either in the area above the impact or adjacent areas.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Queens, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-302

Date dictated 11/12/2001

by SA MICHAEL O'MAHONEY,
SA ROBERT M. LEWICKI (RML:clm)

POLICE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
FOLLOW-UP REPORT

		Date 11/02/01		Follow-up #	
1	Complaint Investigate Aircraft Crash	Law/Sect	P.A. Crime Code	Facility JFKIA	County of Offense Queens
2	Complaint	Law/Sect	P.A. Crime Code	Date Occurred 11/12/01	C.C.R. Number 22230/01
Place of Occurrence (Address)		Date Reported		Time Reported	
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Suspect's Address Wiltshire U.K.		Hgt.	Wgt.	Hair	Eyes
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Suspect's Address		Hgt.	Wgt.	Hair	Eyes
		P.A. Arrest #		B. Number	
Pct. of Occurrence NYPD 100th	Pct. Voucher No.	Alarm No.	Docket Number	Court Date	Court
Magistrate	Disposition	Case Closed <input type="checkbox"/> By Arrest <input type="checkbox"/> By Other	Case Open <input type="checkbox"/> Inactive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active	Records Section Only <input type="checkbox"/> Master Log <input type="checkbox"/> MNI File
<p>Details of Complaint: Include Additional Suspects, Complainants, Witnesses. Summarize Detail of Complaint.</p> <p>On November 12th, 2001 the reporting detectives were assigned to assist in the investigation of the crash of American Airlines flight#587. The event was the cause of destruction and damage to residence and business establishments at that location, as well as the deaths of individuals on the ground and on board the aircraft.</p> <p>At 1400 an interview was conducted with [REDACTED] at British Airways Conference room [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was seated in 52J with her husband [REDACTED] in seat 52H. [REDACTED] stated she saw what looked like a triangle falling in the sky and then saw the Aircraft go nose down into the ground causing a big ball of flame and smoke.</p> <p>The interview was conducted in the presence of the following persons.</p> <p>1. Mike O'Mahoney F.B.I. 2. Robert Lewicky F.B.I.</p>					
Arresting/Investigating Officer DET. GEORGE SANTIAGO			Shield Number 130	Tax Registry Number 39272	
Tour Commander		Date	Facility Commanding Officer		Date



National Transportation Safety Board

Telephone Memorandum

Date: January 9, 2002

Person Interviewed: [REDACTED]

Subject: DCA02MA001, Witness Interview

[REDACTED] witnessed the subject accident and contacted the Safety Board after he received a request to provide a written statement of his observations. During our conversation, he stated:

He had just exited the Walbaums supermarket located on 116th Street, and Beach Channel Drive. He noticed several individuals looking up at the sky and when he looked up, he observed "lots of debris," and the accident airplane traveling in a southwest direction. [REDACTED] observed pieces falling from the right side of the airplane and heard "loud engine noise." While he was not certain if the tail section remained on the airplane, he did state that the "tail seemed intact." The airplane's wings "rocked back and forth" several times. It then banked left and "nose dived straight down."

[REDACTED] estimated he observed the airplane for 6 to 7 seconds, and at no time did he observe any smoke or fire coming from the airplane prior to the impact with the ground. [REDACTED] has been a resident of the Belle Harbor area for over 20 years.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Luke Schiada".

Luke Schiada
Air Safety Investigator

INV. AIRPLANE CRASH

100 UUCB No. 3325 Date of This Report 11/13/01

Date of Orig. Report 11/12/01 Date Assigned Case No. 1329 Unit Reporting OHS Follow-Up No.

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. Victim's Name - If Different

PSNT SAME

Last Name: First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip

Home Telephone Business Telephone Position / Relationship Sex Race Date of Birth Age

Total No. of Perpetrators Wanted Arrested Weapon Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)

Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Res. Pct.

Sex Race Date of Birth Age Height Weight Eye Color Hair Color Hair Length Facial Hair NYSD No.

Eyeglasses Sunglasses Clothing Description Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")

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Comp. Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Witness Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Canvass Conducted If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses, Results Crime Scene Visited If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained

Complainant Viewed Photos Results

Witness Viewed Photos Results

Crime Scene Ousted By (Enter Results in Details) Crime Scene Photos By (Enter Results in Details)

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence/Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: INVESTIGATE AIRPLANE CRASH (CASE#1329) SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

1. On November 13, 2001 at approximately 1820 hours the undersigned did speak to the above individual by telephone regarding the above investigation. This individual states that on 11/12/01 at approximately 0915 he was exiting the Waldbaums shopping center on BCD when he observed three to five males looking skyward. He looked into the sky and observe an airplane rocking slightly and then observed a piece of the plane blow off the other side of the fuselage. The aircraft then veered left and then came straight down to the ground. A split second afterwards a black and orange cloud did rise approximately three hundred feet into the air. He states that when the plane hit the ground the cockpit was facing southbound and the left wing which he believes was still intact was pointing in an easterly direction. After the impact there was silvery pieces of debris still falling into the bay from where the plane had been flying.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.....

Case status: ACTIVE, Date reviewed, Signature: LOUIS PIA, Tax ID: 880205, Command: OHS

Choice 1 Choice 2

To whom it may concern, My name is [REDACTED]. I'm responding to the letter I was sent about my eyewitness account of the flight 587. On the morning of Nov. 12, 2001 I was on my friend [REDACTED] boat. We were drifting in the water off of Beach Channel Dr. and 177th st.. We were both standing in the back of the boat (facing west) I was leaning over untangling lines when I heard a popping sound, my friend [REDACTED] yelled "Look up at this plane". When I looked up I heard a loud sucking sound, (the plane was heading south and was at about 1'oclock in my eyesight aprox. 600ft.) at this point pieces from around the middle of the plane were flying back towards the tail. I could not tell if they were from the right or left wing or from the fuselage nor the engines. Now at the same time the plane started to drop the right wing showing us the belly where I observed smoke (around the middle between the wings and engine) at this same instant I saw the pieces that were coming off the plane hitting the tail which at that point the tail tore off. At this point the plane continued its roll, the plane than went belly up to the sky, and than just nose dived into the ground the belly of the plane facing south. From the time I seen the plane till the time it crashed I never lost sight of it (I still see it over and over again}. As for the time I observed it, it took no longer than 10 seconds, after the tail came off it was no more than 6 seconds before it hit down. If I could be of any more help please call me. My # [REDACTED]

sincerely, [REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/19/01

NY, [REDACTED] dob [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Queens, was contacted by the writer, and advised of the identity of the writer and the purpose of the contact. The following is a summary of the information provided by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he was fishing in Jamaica Bay on the morning of November 12, 2001, when he heard a loud pop from the sky. [REDACTED] stated that he looked up in the sky and witnessed a plane have part of a wing break off and appear to hit the tail section, which subsequently separated from the plane. [REDACTED] then observed the plane on fire, and noticed the plane tilt to one side, and plummet to the ground. [REDACTED] advised that debris continued to fall into the bay, and he began to assist the NYPD Marine Bureau in recovering the debris. [REDACTED] believes that it was Boat #31 that he assisted.

Investigation on 11/16/01 at Queens, NY
 File # 149A-NY-280669-302-176- Date dictated 11/17/01
 by William K. Hekel

Date of Orig. Report: 11-12-01 Date Assigned: 11-12-01 Case No.: 1389 Unit Reporting: 100 SQD Follow-Up No.:

Complainant's Name: Last, First, M.I.: P.S.N.Y. Victim's Name: If Different:

Witness No. 1: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. PH

Home Telephone: Business Telephone: Position/Relationship: Sex: M Race: WHITE Date of Birth: Age: 49

Form No. of Perpetrators: Wanted: Arrested: Weapon: Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.):

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.

Perp. No. 1: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.

Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

Wanted: Arrested: Last Name, First, M.I.: Address, include City, State, Zip: Apt. No. Res. Pct.

Perp. No. 2: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Age: Height: Weight: Eye Color: Hair Color: Hair Length: Facial Hair: NYSID No.

Eyeglasses: Sunglasses: Clothing Description: Nickname, First Name, Alias: Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details"):

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Comp. Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: Time: Results: Same as Comp. Report: Different (Explain in Details)

Witness Interviewed: In Person: By Phone: Date: 11-16-01 Time: 1545 Results: Same as Comp. Report: Different (Explain in Details)

Canvass Conducted: If Yes - Make Entry in Body Re: Time, Date, Names, Addresses/Results: Crime Scene Visited: If Yes - Make Entry in Details Re: Time, Date, Evidence Obtained

Complainant Viewed Photos: Results:

Witness Viewed Photos: Results:

Crime Scene Dusted: By (Enter Results in Details): Crime Scene Photos: By (Enter Results in Details):

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: PLANE CRASH SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF WITNESS. CONTENTS: SAW OBJECT STRIKE THE TAIL

1. On the above date and time I did interview [redacted] via telephone concerning his observations on 11-12-01. He stated that at the T/P/O he and his friend [redacted] were fishing in the bay. He heard a popping and swishing sound like rushing air. He then looked up and saw a piece of a airplane from the wing area break off and strike the tail of the plane knocking it off and into the bay. He then saw the plane nosedive into the ground and burst into flames. Debris did then shower down on them.

2. CASE...ACTIVE... F.B.I. AGENT BOB HART NOTIFIED AT 1615 HRS.

CASE: ACTIVE [] CLOSED [] DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: 11/18/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW: REPORTING OFFICER: DET. THOMAS DOLAN TAX REG. NO.: 883079 COMMAND: 100SQD SUPERVISOR: [Signature] CASE CLOSED: [] OR B: [] C.O.'s INITIALS: []

Choice 1 Choice 2 Pcp 1 Pcp 2 Pcp 1 Pcp 2



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11/ [REDACTED] F/W, 54 Beach 131st Street, [REDACTED] heard a noise that sounded like a roar of the Concord engines, went outside to investigate, when she looked up at the sky and saw the plane in a slant position with one of the engines burning. When this happened, the plane went off balance and fell into the sea. The undersigned was further informed that she knew that the plane was in trouble, and fell into the water.

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November 26, 2001

Mr. Luke Schiada
NTSB

Dear Sir,

I was an eyewitness to the crash of AA #587 on 11/12/01. I called my account into the FBI upon returning home that day.

I am a Global Marketing manager for a large chemical company, so Kennedy is no stranger to me. I was scheduled to go to Tokyo on NW #17 leaving later that morning. I took a limo from my home that day. The limo company is Re's, of N. White Plains @ 914-682-0100, and my driver was [REDACTED]

As we came off the Van Wyck, past the hotel on the right, an AA plane crossed over the road taking off. My driver was Dominican, and I remember he said he thought it was the flight to D.R. and I remember he made a comment that they always fly an Airbus. He also said he had a cousin leaving that day for the D.R.. I remember I thought it was a B767.

A few seconds later, the driver made some excited statement and pointed to our right. I looked and saw a plane with the wings at a 45 degree angle (the wing on my right; looking at the back of the plane was higher. I saw a bright yellow/orange ball of flame coming from what I assumed to be the engine on the right side. I'm sure I saw a fire, I'm not 100% sure it was in the engine. I knew something was very wrong. I saw black smoke trails and perhaps some parts trailing from the plane.

We were still driving and we passed a building (I think it was the old TWA brown administrative building) and the plane was out of sight for a few seconds. As we passed the building, I saw AA 587 falling straight down at a 90 degree angle, nose first. The plane seemed largely intact as far as fuselage and wings. I did not notice the tail, it may or may not have been there. I would guess we watched it from about 3000 feet to under 1000 feet and then lost it on the horizon. The plane turned slowly as it was falling, but I did not see it "spinning".

I expected it to land in the water, but a few seconds later we saw the black smoke. My driver tried to call 911, but it was busy. We were listening to 1010 WINS and they were not reporting it, so he called them. They put him on the air, that tape may be helpful. [REDACTED] told me he saw a plane cross in front of AA587 and then he saw a flash and the same fire I saw.

I hope this helps. If you need any further details, I can be reached at [REDACTED] during working hours.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/12/2001

██████████ home address, 31 Palmer Avenue, Sleepy Hollow, New York, employed by AKZO Co., Dobbs Ferry, New York, telephone number ██████████ provided his eye witness account of Flt 587 which crashed on 11/12/01 in Rockaway, New York. ██████████ was advised of the identities of the interviewing agent and provided the following information:

██████████ was arriving at JFK Airport, via a limo, for a flight on Northwest Airlines to Japan. ██████████ advised he saw an American Airlines plane taking off traveling in front of him going from left to right. The limo driver then shouted something advising him to look at the plane. ██████████ looked and witnessed the right (starboard) engine on fire and what appeared to be pieces of metal falling from the engine. ██████████ stated that his view was looking at the rear of the plane. ██████████ believes that the pieces of metal falling were fins from the engine. The plane was pitched at a 45 degree angle with the right (starboard) wing up and the left (port) wing pointed to the ground. There was no damage or smoke on the body of the plane.

██████████ vision was then partially blocked by a building. The next image of the plane he saw was the plane in a nose dive heading toward the ground. ██████████ did not see the plane hit the ground.

The limo company that transported ██████████ was REY WEST FARE, telephone number ██████████, located in North White Plains, New York. ██████████ advised that the limo drivers name was ██████████ ██████████ was extremely upset because as they were leaving the airport they heard the flight number on the radio. ██████████ was upset because his cousin was on the flight.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at New York, New York (telephonically)

File # 149A-NY-New Date dictated _____

by SA Royal W. Pollitt III
SA Thomas Q. Krall / tgk

I was standing outside my house [516 Beach 135th Street (between Beach Channel Drive and Cronston Avenue)] on the morning of November 12, 2001. My car was parked on the street directly in front of my house and I had just inserted the key to open the door when I heard a noise I thought I recognized as the sound of the Concorde passing overhead. I turned around (now I am facing my house) and looked up at the sky. I saw a square silver color box shape with an orange fire ball almost covering the entire shape and an airplane (the plane was horizontal in the sky, pointing toward the ocean, very close and to the right of the "box"). At this point I am only looking at the plane. The plane was so low and close I could read American Airlines very clearly. I did not see any smoke or fire coming the plane. The plane's nose then dipped down and the plane was moving vertical going down. The plane was out of my sight in what seemed like a second. I started screaming then and my husband came running outside. I told him a plane had just crashed and it looked like it was a few blocks away. He ran down the block to investigate (he's a NYC fireman and was at the crash site for most of the day).

I guesstimate my viewing of the "box" and plane probably lasted a total of 5 seconds.

The above is a statement of my observations
on the morning of November 12, 2001.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] home telephone

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
[REDACTED]

Luke Schiada
National Transportation Safety Board
2001 Route 46, Suite 504
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

Dear Mr. Schiada:

On the early morning of November 12, 2001, I was at 189 Beach 117 Street, at my boyfriend's house to pick up my then 17 month old son. As his (my boyfriend's) mother and I were sitting in the children's bedroom at the rear of the house talking, I heard a loud noise and asked her what it was. She was facing the window and shouted that a plane was crashing. I jumped up and looked out the window.

In response to your questions, I have provided the following responses:

1. When I saw the airplane, it was traveling downward, in what has been described as a nose-dive.
2. I did not observe any parts falling from the airplane.
3. I did observe smoke and fire coming from the airplane. I could not tell whether it was coming from the engines or in that area, but I did observe black smoke and mostly orange fire blowing up as the plane was traveling down. I realized that there was fire and smoke about a second after I first saw the airplane.
4. I observed the plane for what seemed to be forever, but what was probably only 30-45 seconds or shorter.
5. I lost site of the plane when it crashed into the houses. Afterwards, all I could see was thick smoke.

I can be reached at [REDACTED]. The best time to contact me is Monday-Friday, after 6p.m. I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/18/2001

On 11/12/2001 at approximately 11:10 AM, [REDACTED] residing at [REDACTED] Far Rockaway, New York, telephone [REDACTED] was interviewed telephonically. After being advised of the identity of the agent and the purpose of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:


[REDACTED] was visiting her son at 189 Beach 117th Street, Rockaway Park, New York when she heard a strange noise. She looked out the window and observed a plane coming down in a nose dive. [REDACTED] saw an orange explosion and smoke prior to the plane impacting the ground.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Belle Harbor, New York (telephonically)

File # 149A-NY-NY-280669 Sub 302 Date dictated _____

by SA Timothy P. Bell

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 COMPLAINT - FOLLOW UP INFORMATIONAL PD 313.081A (Rev. 4-80)-31		PAGE 1 OF 3 PAGES	Date of This Report 11/12/2001
Date of Orig. Report 11/12/2001	Date Assigned 11/12/2001	Unit Reporting MAJOR CASE SQUAD	Follow-Up No. 1
Complainant's Name - Lm. Pk. M.I.		Victim's Name - If Different	
Last Name, First, M.I.		Address, include City, State, Zip	
Home Telephone	Business Telephone	Poison / Relationship	Sex Race Date of Birth Age
Total No. of Perpetrators	Wanted Arrested	Weapon Used Possessed	Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, caliber, type, model, etc.)
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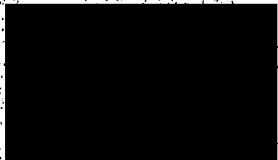
THIS part was hand delivered to [redacted]

3/ [redacted] M/W/DOB [redacted] residing at 102-00 Shore Front Pkwy, [redacted] was looking out of his terrace, when he heard what sounded like a plane flying real low, when he looked up in the sky, he saw an

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DETAILS:

Intact plane starting to flair (twist around), heading out to the water. The plane was making a turn as if it was going out to the sea. The plane was definitely coming out of JFK. When all of the sudden, something dropped off the plane. This part looked like a shiny object. The plane started to sway back and forth, then all of the sudden, dropped to the ground.



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January 21, 2002

Luke Schiada
National Transportation Safety Board

Dear Mr. Schiada,

On November 12, 2001 I was on the charter fishing boat "Codfather" with my friend [REDACTED] the [REDACTED] and a Mate. We were fishing just south of Breezy Point.

The boat was heading South and I was with the Captain watching the Fishfinder. [REDACTED] and the mate were at the back of the boat. Suddenly [REDACTED] yelled out "Oh no, OH my God!" I turned to see him looking up at the sky. I looked up and saw an airplane climbing heading South. (I was looking at the plane's underside). I saw something that appeared to be on fire and falling away from the left side of the plane (my right). I also saw fire under the left wing where it joins the fuselage. The plane then turned over and pointed down, spun twice on its longitudinal axis and fell to the ground, nose first.

The airplane momentarily disappeared behind the buildings on shore. There was a very large fireball explosion followed by very thick black smoke.

You can contact me at my office Monday through Friday at [REDACTED] from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. My home telephone number is [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

11/13/2001

On 11/12/2001, [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED] address [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Seaford, New York, telephone [REDACTED], was interviewed by SA John M. Mifsud and SA Dawn L. Martin at his residence. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information.

[REDACTED] and a friend of his, [REDACTED] Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey chartered the fishing boat "Cod Father" out of Freeport on 11/12/2001. At around 9:00 A.M., as the boat was facing south, about one mile from Riis Park, [REDACTED] saw a passenger jet airplane heading south coming toward them. At that point, [REDACTED] saw fire on the left wing near the fuselage. [REDACTED] saw something fall off the airplane near the area of the engine. The airplane spun and turned on a front to back axis. It crashed behind some buildings that were visible from the water. [REDACTED] did not see any suspicious boats in the area of the crash before or after the crash.

[REDACTED] provided the phone numbers of his friend, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who was also on the boat. [REDACTED] does not believe that [REDACTED] saw any more of the crash than he did.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Seaford, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669-302

Date dictated 11/13/2001

by SA Dawn L. Martin
SA John M. Mifsud/jmm



COMPLAINT FOLLOW-UP INFORMATIONAL

FD-312.0A1A SECOND SHEET (REV. 8-30-01)

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CASE		DATE REVIEWED/CLOSED	IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW	
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REPORTING OFFICER:	RANK DET	SIGNATURE	NAME PRINTED TERLANOVA	TAX REG. NO. 891096
REVIEWING/CLOSING SUPERVISOR:	CASE	ENTER DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE	COMMAND 107
	CLOSED: C	OR B		C.O.'S INITIALS

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AA587 Witness

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, February 02, 2002 7:11 PM
To: AA587WIT@NTSB.GOV
Subject: Flight 587

I am a contractor working for Keyspan Energy . Me and my crew where working on the gas main at the corner of Newport Ave bet. B140 st & B 139 st , the American Airlines jet was moving south and appear to be making a turn or trying to make itself straight when suddenly one of the engines and a piece of wing fell off the plane. The jet didn't have much altitude I was able to read the name of the airline across the silver body. The plane was making an unusual loud noise just like the Concorde, I didn't see any flames or smoke coming out of the plane I saw the plane come to a sudden halt right over Newport Ave & B 131 st and it took a perfectly straight nosedive, when the plain hit the ground a big mushroom of fire erupted from the Airplane. After a few seconds we run closer to scene but, the destruction was unbeliveble we where shaking and confuse, right after that there were Firemen coming from all directions. Mr. Shiada if there is anythig else that I can help you with please do not hesitate to call me at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Thank you.
[REDACTED]

02/04/2002

Date of Orig. Report 11-12-01 Date Assigned 11-12-01 Case No. 1389 Unit Reporting 100 SQD Follow-Up No.

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. P.S.N.Y. Victim's Name - If Different SAME

Last Name, First, M.I. Address, Include City, State, Zip N.Y. 10312 Apt. No. P Home Telephone Business Telephone Position/Relationship SGT. T.B.T.A. Sex M Race WHITE Date of Birth Age 50

Total No. of Perpetrators Wanted Arrested Weapon Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)

Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I. Address, Include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Res. Pct. Sex Race Date of Birth Age Height Weight Eye Color Hair Color Hair Length Facial Hair NYSID No.

Eye glasses Sunglasses Clothing Description Scars, Marks, M.O., Etc. (Continue in "Details")

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Comp. Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

Witness Interviewed In Person By Phone Date Time Results: Same as Comp. Report - Different (Explain in Details)

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Crime Scene Dusted By (Enter Results in Details) Crime Scene Photos By (Enter Results in Details)

If Closing Case "No Results," Check Appropriate Box and State Justification in Details: C-1 Improper Referral C-2 Inaccurate Facts C-3 No Evidence / Can't ID C-4 Uncooperative Complainant C-5 "Leads" Exhausted

DETAILS: INVESTIGATION: PLANE CRASH SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] CONTENTS: SAW PLANE FALLING 1. On the above date and time I did receive a telephone call from [REDACTED] of the T.B.T.A. He stated that at the T/P/O he was working on the Cross Bay Bridge and was driving a T.B.T.A. car to the Toll. He states that he looked up out over the bay and saw a Plane falling straight down. There was fire coming out of both sides of the mid section. He states that he saw two white objects detach themselves from the plane, they almost looked like parachutes. He also saw the tail of the plane splash down into the bay. He then saw the plane hit the mainland and black smoke erupted into the sky. [REDACTED] further advises that he saw what looked like confetti float down into the bay after the plane had already crashed. 2. CASE.....ACTIVE

CASE [X] ACTIVE [] CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED 11/14/01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW REPORTING OFFICER: RANK DET. SIGNATURE THOMAS DOLAN TAX REG. NO. 883079 COMMAND 100SQD. REVIEWING / CLOSING SUPERVISOR: ENTER DESIGNATION SIGNATURE C.O.'s INITIALS

Choice 1 Choice 2 Perp 1 Perp 2

Crime: Investigate Plane Crash Pot. 100 OOCB No. 3325 Date of Incident: 11/12/01

Date of Orig. Report: 11/12/01 Date Assigned: 11/12/01 Case No. 13889 Unit Reporting: 100 P.D.U. Follow-Up No.

Complainant's Name - Last, First, M.I. Victim's Name - If Different

Witness No. 1: Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No.

Home Telephone Business Telephone Position / Relationship Sex Race Date of Birth Age

Total No. of Perpetrators Wanted Arrested Weapon Describe Weapon (If firearm, give color, make, calibre, type, model, etc.)

Perp. No. 1: Wanted Arrested Last Name, First, M.I. Address, include City, State, Zip Apt. No. Res. Pct.

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PERP 1: DETAILS:

PERP 2: INTERVIEW OF TOM CAREY

At approximately 0940 hours the undersigned interviewed [redacted] on the Marine Park Bridge. [redacted] resides at [redacted] Marlboro, NJ

[redacted]. He is employed by Kiska Construction and is working on the bridge. He arrived at work at about 0700 and was on the bridge at approximately 0910

hours when he heard an unidentified worker shout "look at the plane". He looked up and saw a plane heading nose down towards the ground. He stated that the plane did not appear to have any wings. He then saw the plane crash into the

ground and burst into flames. He did not notice the plane prior to the shouts of his co-worker.

PERP 1: [redacted]

PERP 2: [redacted]

PERP 1: [redacted]

PERP 2: [redacted]

PERP 1: [redacted]

PERP 2: [redacted]

PERP 1: [redacted]

PERP 2: [redacted]

PERP 1: [redacted]

PERP 2: [redacted]

CASE: [] ACTIVE [] CLOSED DATE REVIEWED / CLOSED: 11-15-01 IF ACTIVE, DATE OF NEXT REVIEW: NAME PRINTED: Corey, Kenneth TAX REG. NO.: 896835 COMMAND: QDAOS

AA587 Witness

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2002 8:33
To: AA587WIT@ntsb.gov
Subject: (no subject)

Dear Sir,

In response to your letter of 1-2-02 my observation of Flight 587 is as follows.

On the morning of 11-12-01 I was walking west on the beach at B.127 St. when suddenly I heard a loud noise and instantly looked to my right. The plane was headed straight towards me (about my 11 o'clock). I first noticed that the left engine had just separated from the wing and there were flames coming from the wing where the engine had been. As I stared at the plane the wings were dipping left then right back and forth several times, it appeared the pilot was struggling to keep the plane aloft until he could possibly reach the ocean when suddenly it just nose dived toward the ground. I observed the plane for maybe 15-20 seconds no more than 30 seconds before it nose dived for the ground. My final view was the plane going head first toward the ground.

I hope that my account of the incident is helpful to you in your investigation of the crash of Flight 587. If I can be of any further assistance I can be contacted any evening after 7 pm at [REDACTED] at work M-F between 9am-4pm at [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Rock. Pk. N.Y.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/17/01

██████████ of ██████████ Rockaway, New York, telephone number ██████████ was interviewed at his residence. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview he provided the following information:

██████████ stated that he was walking his dog on the beach when he heard a loud boom sound. He then looked up and saw an airplane and its engine separating from the airplane's wing. The airplane then wiggled its wings and then went nose down into the ground.

Investigation on 11/12/01 at Rockaway, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669

Date dictated _____

by SA Robert B. Booth

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AA587 Witness

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2002 10:09 AM
To: AA587WIT@NTSB.GOV
Subject: accident involving American Airlines flight
1/13/02

Att: Luke Schiada
Air Safety Investigator

Thank you for your correspondence on 1/9/02.

My husband, son of eight years and I witnessed the plane prior to the crash.

We were just getting out of our car, which was parked in the parking lot of the Sunset diner, located approximately at the intersection of Beach Channel Drive and Newport Avenue at Beach 116 street. Of the two parking lots we were in the one closer to Beach 117 street. My husband was locking the car doors as my son and I walked towards the diner entrance. When we were in the middle of the parking lot I looked up. I don't recall exactly why I looked up. It must have been an unusual sound. My son and I saw something flying toward the rear of the plane. I couldn't understand what it was. It appeared to be the shape of a barrel. I followed the direction of the plane, which, at that time, appeared to be parallel to the ground, heading toward the ocean (as opposed to the bay). I noticed flames on the left side of the plane. I don't know if I noticed the flames when I noticed the barrel shaped item flying toward the rear of the plane. It looked as if something was missing from the plane. I didn't know what it was. I thought it was a wing.

As I saw the barrel shaped item flying alongside the plane I screamed "Oh my God, Oh my God". This caused my husband, who was still busy with the car, to look up. He looked up from a distance closer to Beach 117 street as opposed to the middle of the parking lot. I was screaming call 911 to some people who had gathered at the door to the diner, who obviously either saw the plane or saw me flailing my arms in the parking lot and came to the door. By the time my husband looked up he saw pieces of the shell of the plane flying off the plane as well as flames from the left side of the plane. The plane appeared to be closer than it actually was. We estimated it was flying over Beach 119 street from our vantage point. We thought it probably crashed on B119 street and Newport Avenue. We then realized that we did not hear the crash sound and thought it probably was closer to our home, which is on Beach 138 street. In actuality it fell on Beach 131 street. My husband recalls hearing an unusual, loud motor sound. I don't recall the sound. I was amazed that no sooner did I see the plane in a horizontal position when it seemed to just nosedive. My husband believes he saw the plane corkscrew as it nosedived. I just recall it diving straight down.

My son saw essentially the same image that I saw as we were on the same spot when the plane went through its various phases of the crash.

The entire scenario took place in under two minutes.

If you need to contact us our home number is [REDACTED] You can best reach us in the evening.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/19/2001

[redacted] and [redacted] address [redacted] [redacted] Queens, New York, telephone [redacted] were interviewed by FBI Special Agents Kevin Humphreys and Hyo Kang. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, the [redacted] provided the following information:

At approximately 9:00 a.m., the [redacted] were at the diner on 116th Street with their son. As they were getting out of the car, [redacted] heard a loud noise and looked up. The noise was very loud and pulsating. They both saw the plane heading south towards the beach. They could see the left side of the plane, but could not see the left wing. There was flame in the middle of the plane. A "barrel" flew off the plane. Suddenly it nose dived into the ground.

Investigation on 11/12/2001 at Queens, New York

File # 149A-NY-280669

Date dictated _____

by SA Kevin J. Humphreys
SA Hyo T. Kang
