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NSA/CSS MDR Appeal Authority (DJ5)
National Security Agency
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Subject: Appeal re MDR case LL13-02

1. The National Records and Archive Agency has informed me that a request to release information concerning the infra-red detection times for the impacts of the four hijacked commercial airplanes on September 11, 2001, has been denied in full.
2. The denial states that the “documents contained equities of another agency...Because the agency has not responded to our referral, we are unable to make a complete determination...we are denying the documents in their entirety.”
3. Concerning the overall denial, the information important to the public is just the four infra-red detection times, nothing else. Request that information be released. Most other information can be redacted, including equities of other agencies concerned.
4. For background, I was the 9/11 Commission staff member who initiated the data call for the detection times. I am familiar with the issue, the data, and the agency equities involved. I have continued my research into the events of 9/11, a project that began with the release of the Commission’s files to the public in 2009.
5. The Commission staff used the detection times because of an issue raised by the 9/11 families that an interpretation of seismic data differed from primary source radar, air traffic control, and flight data recorder information. That issue continues among 9/11 researchers and needs to be put to rest.
6. Please contact me if you need additional information and please identify the agency that was non-responsive and a point of contact there for this issue.

Thank You,

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