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HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Morris
From: PO T. Grogan #1514
Date: 9 / 8 / 02
Subject: September 11, 2001-WTC

On the morning of September 11, 2001, I was at home sleeping. I had worked the 3-11 tour the previous night, and was anticipating going to work at my regular scheduled time. I was awakened by the telephone. My friend called to tell me that a plane had just hit the north tower. I tried to call the WTC police desk a number of times, but could not get through. I immediately called the PATH desk and spoke to Sgt. Holland. He told me to report to PATH and that they were mobilizing. On the way to Path, I heard on my car radio that a second plane had just hit the south tower. When I arrived at PATH, I was told by Lt. O'Neil to help load up all the Scott air packs from the FSU garage into marked police units. While I was doing this, the south tower collapsed. We immediately stopped what we were doing, jumped into our cars, and drove to the WTC.

I jumped into a car with PO Settle of the HT. We drove all the way to West Broadway and Barclay. We stopped the car and I left the vehicle. Everything was covered with dust and paper. I ran up Vesey Street and entered through 5WTC doors. I went upstairs to the police desk where I found three or four people who were looking for help. As I approached them, we were joined by a NYC firefighter. We directed the people down the escalator and out the Vesey Street doors. We searched the police desk and found it was clear. The firefighter said that he was leaving to search the concourse.

The smoke and dust from the debris was everywhere. Consequently, I went to look for a Scott air pack for myself. All the Scott air packs were gone. Knowing that I needed to get some air, I went outside. I walked west on Vesey Street towards West Street. When I arrived at the corner of West and Vesey, I heard something that sounded like rushing water. I looked up and saw the north tower coming down.

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Subject: I ran north on West Street crossing Barclay. By the time I got to the middle of the next block, the debris cloud was right behind me. I dove down onto the sidewalk and covered up. After the cloud rolled over me, it became very quiet. I stood up, but saw nothing. I felt it difficult to breathe. No one was around. I repeatedly called out; no one answered. At this point in time, I thought that I was the only one alive in the near vicinity. I tried feeling my way out to get some air. But, there was no way out. Just when I thought it was hopeless, I heard a voice yell, "If anyone is alive, I'm over here with a hose!" I walked in the direction of the voice until we found each other. His name was Rich. He said that he was a volunteer fireman from upstate New York. He had a hose and washed the debris from out of my face. We both stayed under the hose where the water cleaned the air just enough so we could breath a little bit. About thirty seconds later, another fireman found us. This one was from New York City. He had a Scott-air pack with him. The three of us just sat there sharing the face piece-five seconds of breathing, ten seconds of holding our breath.

The smoke and debris remained as thick as it had been at the start. None of us could see the other's face. After about five minutes, the smoke and debris began to dissipate. The firemen were gone. I walked out of the debris cloud and the first people I saw were Sgts. Stone (PATH) and DeMarco (Port Newark). They helped me to the sidewalk near a fire hydrant. There, they helped me wash my eyes out. I was then treated by EMS. They told me that I needed to go to the hospital. I did not go right away because a started to feel better. After a while, Sgt. Fuller (PATH) urged me to go to the

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From: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Subject: hospital. EMS informed me that St. Mary's Hospital, located in Hoboken, was being used as a triage unit. Figuring that the hospitals in NYC would be busy with the seriously injured, and being a Hoboken resident, I decided that St. Mary's would be the most logical choice. I walked to the HT where I secured a ride to the hospital from two FOA'S.

The doctor's diagnosis was the following: broken left shoulder, and irritation to the eyes and throat. The following day, September 12, 2001, the doctor allowed me to go back to work and placed me on medical restriction at PATH. Currently I am working on medical restriction at the New York garage. I hope to be back to full work duty sometime in January or early February.

Thank you.

PO Thomas Gogan #1514

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Transport Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Captain Hanna

From: PO Middleton #1207

Date: December 9th, 2001

Subject: W T C Disaster September 11th 2001

On September 11th 2001, the undersigned responded to the World Trade Center from the Lincoln Tunnel

Administration Building using P A Police Vehicle number 5385 (Jeep) after hearing of the air-craft striking Tower One.

Upon arrival at the scene of Barley Ave, I was directed to use the Jeep as a Road Block across that entrance, to prevent the numerous responding Emergency Vehicles from entering the Trade Center parking garage,.

The majority of my time was spent in keeping the entrance and intersection of Barclay and West Broadway clear.

Many of the pedestrians were so busy looking at the burning tower(s) that they did not realize they were walking in the

middle of the street and had to be warned repeatedly to get on the side walk as speeding emergency vehicles passed

by. I was approximately one block away from Tower One when Tower Two appeared to explode at the roof top and

several floors below. Then fire balls and debris shot out of the windows and rocketed into the skies and fall below.

As the Building began to disintegrate before your very eyes, there came an earth- shaking roar which grew louder

and louder. Then all of a sudden a huge gigantic billing cloud filled with smoke, and ash. Pieces of cement particles

and sections of the building came raining down. I turned and tried to run but with the massive amount of debris and

thick heavy smoke building, I was trapped in its mists. It was only by Gods' Grace, for I heard a soft still voice speaking

To my spirit " Under the parked Car," so I dove between two parked vehicles and tried to wedge my way as far under the

vehicle as possible. As the ash and cement particles began to build up under the vehicle it became pitch black out and

suddenly the oxygen left the air and an intense heat was felt. Your eyes, nose and mouth were burning and every breath

you took only increased the intake of dirt, ash, cement particles, smoke and only God knows what else. You could hear

the screams and the terrified cries on the streets repeating over and over " I can't breathe, I can't breathe Help Me!

Please some body Help Me!" But you couldn't move. At this point all kinds of things rushed through my mind and the

they all held the same conclusion you are going to die! (I could not breathe, I'm going to be buried alive, and this car

which I am under is going to burst in flames from the heat and burning particles.) I said," I can't believe I going to die

like this, buried under a car." JESUS ! I can't breathe, JESUS!" Once again I heard that soft voice say, " Take your Hat

and place it over your face- Breathe." I quickly obeyed and to my surprise I found out that I could breathe. After about

five to ten minutes, maybe longer there grew an eerie quietness and all you could hear was the very fine particles of

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of cement falling to the ground. (as if sleet were falling on a snowy hillside.) I was finally able to extract myself from under the vehicle and after checking to see if any assistance was needed on the streets I noticed that sections of Tower Two were burning in the streets. I ran to one of our patrol cars and removed a fire extinguisher in order to put out the flames that were burning near several of the parked cars in the street. As I walked back to the Jeep 5385 I noticed that the front passenger window was blow out of the vehicle and glass fine pieces of cement was scattered throughout the vehicle. Pedestrians began to form a crow in the streets and I began to tell them to move back as far as the next block before the other building falls. As I continued to wave them back periodically you would hear a loud boom go off at the top of tower one. As the building continued to burn and emergency equipment kept on responding stirring up the dust and debris in the streets. After approximately 15 minuets suddenly there was another loud boom at the upper floors, then there was a series of smaller explosions which appeared to go completely around the building at the upper floors. And another loud earth shattering blast with a large fire ball which blew out more debris and at that point everyone began to run north on West Broad street. As the building began to crumble. I had only run About a half a block when I pulled a muscle in my right thigh. I hobbled to the next intersection and only a quarter of the way down the block with the rest of the crowd. When we were over taken by another huge cloud of dust, dirt, Debris and smoke. I advised everyone to hug the wall, cover their faces, close their eyes and breathe slowly through an article of clothing. (shirt, jacket, blouse. Etc.) As debris was striking the ground and hitting the back of our heads and backs I could hear some people say that they could not breathe and once again I instructed them to breathe through their clothes. After assuring them that they were going to make it. All of a sudden it got pitch black and you could feel the heat as it got real quiet. once again after about ten minuets the debris stopped. We all moved from the building and into the street. After checking with the others and all was ok I then proceeded out to find our command post.

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Capt. R. Hanna

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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

Memorandum

TO: Lieutenant E. Gutch
FROM: Det. Thomas M. Inman
DATE: January 22, 2002
SUBJECT: Terrorist Attack—September 11, 2001



September 11, 2001 the undersigned was working a 7x3 tour at John F. Kennedy Airport. At 0855 Hrs. the Detective Unit was informed that an aircraft had struck the World Trade Center Tower #1. The unit then began to respond to the World Trade Center. The undersigned, along with Det. Sheehan responded to the World Trade Center in Vehicle #0226-6. We were joined by a motorcade of other vehicles with Det/Sgt. Dilena, Det/Sgt. Perdomo Det. Rapp, Det. Snyder, Det. Trotter Det. M. Molina, Det. Fuchs, P.O. Curnyn and P.O. K. Ward. While en-route to the scene we were informed that a second aircraft had struck Tower #2. The motorcade responded through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel and parked the vehicles in the area of Albany Street and West Street. We were informed over the radio that the Command Post had been located on West Street and Vesey Street. We made our way on foot around the World Financial Center to the Command Post. This was necessitated due to the large amount of aircraft and building debris falling from the Towers making the area streets impassable. We arrived at the Command Post located at West and Vesey streets at approximately 0935 hours. As a roll call was being taken of the responding Detectives, Tower #2 began to collapse. This occurred after a secondary explosion on the west side of the tower that appeared to take place in the area of the high 60's. The area above the secondary explosion actually leaned to the west and then the collapse took place. The order to evacuate the area was given by D/Sgt. Fitzgerald and the undersigned rapidly retreated from the area, fleeing north on West Street, so as not to be engulfed in the ensuing debris field caused by the collapse.

Once the dust blast had settled somewhat the undersigned started to make his way south on West Street, back towards the scene in order to assist in any way possible. It was at this point that I encountered Police Officer Larry Guarneri walking from the scene covered in concrete dust and he was having problems with his eyesight. The undersigned obtained solution from an EMS ambulance to clear PO Guarneri's eyes and throat and administered aid. During this time the Command

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Post had been relocated to a safer location. The undersigned was en-route to the Command Post when Tower #1 collapsed and I was forced to evacuate the area a second time to avoid being engulfed in the debris field.

All personnel were forming on West Street in the area of the college, when out of the second debris field I observed Det. Dave Rogers in distress approaching my location. Det. Rogers was covered in dust and appeared to having trouble breathing and navigating. I took Det. Rogers to a triage area set up by EMS and administered immediate first aid. Additional aid was obtained for him from the EMS units at this location.

At this time we made our way to the temporary PA Command Center. It was at this location that I was reunited with the men that I had arrived with.

Later in the day the undersigned and Det. Sheehan attempted to retrieve vehicle # 0226-6 from its location with negative results. We returned to the Command Center which had been moved further north due to a reported gas leak. A second attempt, by the undersigned and Det. M. Molina, to retrieve their respective vehicles was also met with negative results; both vehicles were damaged and filled with debris. We remained at the Command Center until we secured transportation to return to JFK.

The following day the undersigned and Det. Sheehan were assigned to Jacobi Hospital in the Bronx in the anticipation of victims and remains being taken to the Hospital. At approximately 1000 Hrs. it was learned that all remains were being sent to Bellevue Hospital. We responded to Bellevue Hospital and met with Det/Sgt. Fitzgerald who assigned us to check local hospitals in Manhattan for any PA employees that may have been admitted to the hospitals. After checking the hospitals we returned to Bellevue Hospital to assist the NYC Missing Persons Squad in identifying remains of the victims.

This report is submitted for your information and review.


DET. THOMAS M. INMAN #126

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Joseph Morris

From: PO Braconi #2131

Date: 02/23/02

Subject: September 11TH 2001

On September 11TH 2001 I reported to the Bus Terminal at approximately 1030 hrs. Although I spent most of the day at the Bus Terminal I did make frequent trips with supplies to the Command Post. While at the Command Post, Bm.CC. on North Moore and West St., I unloaded supplies and helped direct both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

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PORT AUTHORITY BUS TERMINAL
250 N. MOORE ST. N.Y. 10016

PO G. Braconi

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To: Lt. E. Gutch

From: Sgt. Henry J. Borawski #174

Subject: World Trade Center Actions 9/11/01

Jan. 17, 2002

On 09/11/01, I was 8-1 patrol at Newark Airport. At approximately 9am we were informed that a plane had hit the World Trade Center and were mobilized to respond. I left the airport with PO's Versage, Luongo & Wilson in Vehicle 5227. Following me with bunker gear and Scott airparks were PO's Kuhn, McCarthy & Wenning. Upon arrival into the city, we headed south down West Broadway towards the Trade Center and were directed by Sgt Palarto of the Bus Terminal to head down to West Street as Church Street was jammed up. That diversion in my opinion saved us from parking directly under 1 World Trade Center. When we got onto West Street we drove up past Vessy Street eventually parking on West Street because there were numerous emergency vehicles blocking the road. We got out and proceeded to "bunker up". Because we didn't have Scott air packs yet, (they were in PO Kuhn's vehicle) I told my group to wait here for PO Kuhn and proceeded to walk towards 2 World Trade Center thinking that the command post was set up there, as in the 1993 bombing. As I neared building 2, there was burning falling debris and numerous people were jumping from the towers. I radioed Newark airport on 800mhz for all units to use caution and/or not to respond down here due to conditions. The scene was chaotic as civilians were fleeing the building and being hit with debris. I took cover under one of the overpass's to avoid being hit with debris. I also saw Sgt DeMarco from Port Newark there. Not finding the command post, I made

my way back up towards Vespy Street and then met with my group and finally found the command post. I radioed Newark desk and told PO McDonald who was manning the radio, of the location of the command post and have all responding units assemble there. I then saw Inspector Morris and he instructed me to pick a team and proceed into 1 World Trade Center and help with the evacuation. I remember picking Po's Gattullo, Luongo, Versage, Franco, Kuhn, and we proceeded to put on Scott air packs from the back of PO Kuhn's vehicle. I instructed PO Gavin to write our names down and anybody else's who were going into the buildings. We then turned to head in when 2 World Trade Center started to fall. Not knowing at first what it was, I radioed Newark that a second bomb went off. Unbeknown to me, the radio system was knocked out and the radios were useless. Seeing the debris field heading towards us, I remember yelling run and we all started running for our lives. PO Gavin was knocked down by a fireman but was able to get up and run. Most of the group ran in different directions. Some went down side streets, and some went north up West Street like myself. I was running in full bunker gear and Scott pak thinking that if I went down, I'd be somewhat protected. After a few blocks, and a few minutes of catching my breath, I headed back down West Street to find my group. What I can recall is that after checking with some officers and seeing that everyone was all right, we then witnesses Building 1 fall. We then fled a second time up West Street. This time I ended up past Chambers street and fell. There was a NYC EMS unit there and they helped me into the ambulance. Inside were 2 NYPD officers and a fireman and PO Faustina who had a leg injury. Next thing I knew the ambulance was moving and we all ended up at St. Clair's Hospital uptown. I was checked out for smoke inhalation and released after about ½ hour. PO Faustina sustained a leg injury but

checked himself out. A NYPD detective drove us back down to the site where we found our temporary headquarters at the College gym. PO Luongo and myself went down along West Street towards Vessy Street where we found 5227 with the windows blown out and the front end off. My gun belt was missing and the car was filled with debris. Remarkably we were able to start the car and drive it up to the college! A Holland Tunnel wrecker then removed it to the HT garage. We then stood by the rest of the night for further instructions from then Inspector Morris.

Upon initial arrival at the World Trade Center, the scene was one of confusion, burning falling debris and people leaping from the upper floors. The following Officers witnessed this carnage and without hesitation, stood their ground, followed my orders, and were prepared to enter the buildings and commence evacuations. These Officers should be recognized and commended for their bravery and professionalism in the face of imminent danger: PO's M. Roman 1259, E. Luongo 907, W. Wilson 1406, P. Versage 948, A. Gavin 1394, P. Kuhn 1063, J. McDevitt 487, D. McCarthy 1315, B. Faustina 1161, P. Wenning 619, A. Gattulo 1767, F. Franco 981, J. McClain 959, C. Gysin 1526, J. Ludlow 1319, & D. Burns 1753.

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To: LT. ED GUTCH

From: P.O. JAMES LUDLOW #1319

Date: 03/06/02

Subject: REPLY TO MEMOS DATED 10-23-01 AND 3-01-02 REGARDING
ACTIONS TAKEN ON 9-11-01 AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER.
SIR:

KINDLY BE ADVISED THAT THE ABOVE NAMED OFFICER
DID COMPLY WITH CHIEF MOKRIS ORDER # 64-01 AND DID SUBMIT
A HANDWRITTEN REPORT. HOWEVER, LT. JOHN PODOLAK RECENTLY
INFORMED ME THAT MY ORIGINAL REPORT WAS MISSING AND I
MUST SUBMIT ANOTHER. THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF MY
ACTIONS TAKEN ON 9-11-01.

ON 9-11-01 THIS OFFICER WAS ASSIGNED CAR #8-9 WHICH IS
A 0600 X 1400 CAR ASSIGNED TO PATROL NEWARK ENTER. AIRPORT. MY
ASSIGNED FIRST BREAK WAS AT 0700 WHICH I ROUTINELY TOOK. AFTER
MY BREAK WAS OVER, I RESUMED ROUTINE PATROL OF THE AIRPORT.
AT ABOUT 08⁴⁵ HRS A REPORT OF SMOKE WAS HEARD OVER WCBS AM
RADIO COMING FROM THE UPPER FLOORS OF THE NORTH TOWER OF
THE TRADE CENTER. THE INITIAL REPORT WAS THAT A SMALL
PRIVATE AIRCRAFT HAD STRUCK THE NORTH TOWER. THE RADIO REPORTS
INTENSIFIED AS THE SMOKE AND FLAMES INCREASED IN THE TOWER.
REPORTS ON THE RADIO WERE NOW STATING THAT A LARGE
COMMERCIAL JET HAD STRUCK THE NORTH TOWER AND IT WAS
BURNING BADLY.

AT THAT TIME, AROUND 08⁵⁵ I WAS SUMMONED BACK TO
13L06 #10. AN AIRPORT PARKING LOT BUS WAS COMMANDEERED

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AND LOADED WITH FIRE TURNOUT GEAR AND SCOTT AIR PACKS.

ABOUT 30 POLICE OFFICERS AND SUPERVISORS FROM N.I.A. WERE TO BE MOBILIZED TO THE W.T.C. BECAUSE I WAS OPERATING A MARKED PATROL UNIT, I WAS TO LEAD THE BUS TO N.Y. INSPECTOR (THEN CAPTAIN) GEORGE ALBIN RODE WITH ME IN THE CAR AS I LED THE BUS THROUGH JERSEY CITY THEN THROUGH THE HOLLAND TUNNEL.

THE TUNNEL WAS CLOSED TO GENERAL TRAFFIC AND WE HAD LITTLE TROUBLE GETTING TO THE N.Y. SIDE. WHEN WE GOT TO THE N.Y. SIDE IT APPEARED ALL STREETS THAT RAN NORTH-SOUTH IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA HAD EMERGENCY VEHICLES GOING SOUTH TOWARD THE W.T.C. I EVENTUALLY GOT TO GREENWICH ST. AND PROCEEDED SOUTH. MY PROGRESS WAS VERY SLOW BECAUSE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WERE RUNNING NORTH ON GREENWICH. I WAS DRIVING INTO WHAT APPEARED TO BE A TREMENDOUS CLOUD OF SMOKE AND WHITE DUST. LATER, I WOULD REALIZE THAT THIS WAS THE AFTERMATH OF THE SOUTH TOWER COLLAPSING, AND THAT THESE PEOPLE WERE RUNNING AWAY FROM THAT.

WE STOPPED THE CAR AND BUS AT GREENWICH AND WARREN STREETS WHEN IT APPEARED THAT WE COULDN'T GET ANY FURTHER SOUTH. CAPTAIN ALBIN AND LT. PODOLAK EXITED THE CAR AND BUS AND TRIED TO LOCATE THE PORT AUTHORITY POLICE COMMAND POST WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN IN THE AREA.

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AS I EXITED THE CAR I OBSERVED COUNTLESS PEOPLE, SOME WALKING, OTHERS RUNNING AWAY FROM THE SMOKE AND DUST CLOUDS THAT HAD COVERED THE AREA. I SAW COUNTLESS WOMEN AND A FEW MEN WALKING NORTH ON GREENWICH WITHOUT SHOES ON THEIR FEET; THE WOMEN'S SOCKS AND STOCKINGS TORN AND BLOWING IN THE BREEZE. A N.Y.P.D. OFFICER IN A BICYCLE UNIT UNIFORM APPROACHED ME CRYING UNCONTROLLABLY. AFTER COMPOSING HIMSELF TO SOME DEGREE, HE TOLD ME HIS WIFE WORKED IN THE SOUTH TOWER AND IF I COULD FIND OUT IF A LIST OF NAMES OF VICTIMS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED YET. I TOLD HIM I HAD JUST ARRIVED FROM N.I.A. AND I DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING. HE WALKED AWAY STILL CRYING.

UNDER CAPTAIN ALBIN'S DIRECTION, WE RELOCATED OUR BUS TO CURRAY AND WEST STREETS. EXITING THE VEHICLES WE WALKED SOUTH TO WEST AND VESEY WHERE WE JOINED OTHER P.A. OFFICERS FROM OTHER COMMANDS. AT THAT TIME I LOOKED UP AT THE STILL STANDING NORTH TOWER. IT APPEARED THAT THE ENTIRE TOP THIRD OF THE STRUCTURE WAS INVOLVED IN FLAME. THICK BLACK SMOKE, ORANGE FLAME AND BURNING DEBRIS WERE FALLING FROM THE TOWER OR FLYING IN THE WIND. I THOUGHT TO MYSELF "THIS IS NOT GOOD" AND I TURNED MY ATTENTION TO THE POLICE SUPERVISORS WHO STATED WE WERE GOING TO BE BROKEN UP INTO SMALL MAN TEAMS AND ENTER THE BUILDING FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE.

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INSTINCTIVELY, I LOOKED UP AT THE TOWER AGAIN WHEN A MALE VOICE SAID "LOOK OUT, IT'S COMING DOWN." THE RED RADIO TOWER THAT HAD CROWNED THE NORTH TOWER SEEMED TO DISAPPEAR INTO THE SMOKE AND FLAME. THE TOP OF THE STRUCTURE STARTED TO FALL INTO ITSELF WITH A VERY LOUD RUMBLING NOISE. WE ALL STARTED RUNNING NORTH ON WEST STREET. A N.Y. FIREMAN, CARRYING 2 ROLLS OF HOSE OVER HIS ONE SHOULDER AND A HOOK POLE IN HIS OTHER HAND WAS RUNNING WITH US ABOUT 10 YARDS AHEAD OF ME. HE HAD HIS TURNOUT GEAR AND HELMET ON ALONG WITH HIS AIR PACK.

I THOUGHT TO MYSELF THAT IF THIS FIREMAN WAS RUNNING AWAY FROM THE BUILDING, IT MUST BE BAD BECAUSE THESE F.D.N.Y. GUYS ARE CRAZY ENOUGH TO GO INTO JUST ABOUT ANYTHING.

WHILE IN MID STRIDE, THE FIREMAN FELL TO THE PAVEMENT, DROPPING HIS HOSES AND POLE. EVEN WHEN HE HAD HIS BOOTS ON I COULD SEE HIS LEFT ANKLE WAS PROBABLY BROKEN. HE WAS LYING IN THE MIDDLE OF WEST STREET YELLING IN OBVIOUS PAIN. AS I REACHED HIM I SAID SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT IF WE STAY HERE WE WERE GOING TO DIE. I DON'T WANT TO DIE HERE. HE ASKED ME TO HELP HIM TO HIS FEET. I COMPLIED. WE STARTED TO WALK NORTH ON WEST STREET, TRYING TO STAY AHEAD OF THE ONCOMING CLOUD OF SMOKE AND DUST.

WE MADE OUR WAY TO CHAMBERS AND WEST STREETS WHEN I

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HEARD WHAT APPEARED TO BE GUNSHOTS. I THOUGHT TO MYSELF "NOT ONLY DID THEY CRASH A PLANE INTO MY BUILDINGS, NOW THEY'RE TRYING TO SHOOT US". SOMEONE HAD TRIED TO ENTER THE AUDITORIUM OF THE MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE. HOWEVER, THE DOORS WERE CHAINED SHUT. I LATER FOUND OUT AN INDUSTRIOUS OFFICER SHOT OUT THE GLASS WINDOWS TO GAIN ENTRY TO THE PREMISES TO ESCAPE THE SMOKE AND DUST. I SAW MY FIREMAN AND I REACHED CHAMBERS AND WEST I SAW A F.D.N.Y. ENGINE THAT HAD JUST ARRIVED. I CALLED OUT TO THE MEN ON THE TRUCK THAT I HAD AN INJURED FIREMAN OF THEIRS. 3 OR 4 CAME RUNNING OVER AND TOOK HIM FROM ME. I THINK HE SAID HIS NAME WAS BILL SULLIVAN OR SHEEHAN BUT I REALLY AM NOT CERTAIN. AS I WALKED AWAY TO FIND SOME PORT AUTHORITY POLICE I HEARD HIM YELL "THANK YOU BROTHER".

IT TOOK ABOUT 1 HOUR FOR US TO REGROUP AFTER THE COLLAPSE. WE WERE AT HARRISON AND WEST WHEN WE WERE ORDERED INTO THE B.M.C.C. AUDITORIUM. INSIDE THE PREMISES, CHIEF FIELDS WAS ABOUT TO SPEAK WHEN WE WERE TOLD OF A BOMB SCARE AND WE WERE TO GET OUT QUICKLY. WE ALL RAN UP A SPIRAL STAIRCASE INTO A FENCED IN COURTYARD. ONE OF OUR GUYS CUT A HOLE IN THE CHAIN LINK FENCE (THANK GOD FOR LEATHERMAN TOOLS) AND WE ALL RAN NORTH TO N. MOORE ST. AGAIN WE REGROUPED. THE TIME HAD TO BE ABOUT NOON.

30 TO 45 MINUTES PAST AGAIN AND WE WERE NOW USHERED INTO

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THE GYMNASIUM OF THE COLLEGE. WE WERE TOLD THAT K-9 HAD GONE THROUGH THE ENTIRE BUILDING THIS TIME AND THE PREMISES WAS SECURE. AT THIS TIME I FOUND N.E.A. OFFICERS FRANCO, LATIMER, MORALES AND GATULLO. WE JOINED OTHER OFFICERS FROM N.E.A. AND OTHER COMMANDS WE STARTED TO UNLOAD AND DISTRIBUTE HELMETS, GLOVES, FLASHLIGHTS, AND FACE MASKS. UPON COMPLETION WE WERE AGAIN INSTRUCTED WE WOULD BE BROKEN UP INTO 5 AND 6 MAN TEAMS FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE OF THE RUBBLE. SGT. SULEWSKI DID A HEAD COUNT OF THE NEWARK AIRPORT OFFICERS AND DISCOVERED SGT. HENRY BORAWSKI MISSING. WE WERE TOLD AGAIN THAT THE F.D.N.Y. WOULD NOT LET ANYONE NEAR THE PROPERTY. A MAJOR FIRE HAD ERUPTED IN THE RUBBLE AND IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY SEARCH OR RESCUE AT THIS TIME. SGT. BORAWSKI ENTERED THE AUDITORIUM. HE HAD GOTTEN SEPARATED FROM HIS GROUP AND WOUND UP ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE TOWERS. MANY OF US STARTED TO UNLOAD A BUS THAT WAS PACKED WITH SNACKS AND DRINKS. A SMALL FIRST AID STATION WAS SET UP IN ONE CORNER OF THE GYM.

AROUND 15³⁰ CAPTAIN ALBIN ASKED THAT I DRIVE HIM TO THE CHELSEA PIERS. A MAJOR COMMAND POST WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SET UP THERE. I RECOVERED MY POLICE CAR, CLEANED IT AS BEST I COULD, AND MET CAPT. ALBIN AND LT. PODOLAK OUTSIDE THE GYM. WE TRAVELED NORTH ON WEST ST. TO THE CHELSEA PIERS BUT NO ONE WE SPOKE TOO KNEW OF ANY COMMAND POST. WE RETURNED BACK TO THE GYM.

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I have reviewed this report _____

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To: _____

From: _____

Date: 1 / 1 / _____

Subject: _____

THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY AND EVENING WAS SPENT STANDING BY FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS WHICH NEVER CAME. AROUND 21⁰⁰, SGT. SULEWSKI ASKED P.O. RAOUL MORALES AND MYSELF TO BRING THE BUS WE HAD CAME IN TO THE FRONT OF THE GYM. WE WALKED TO THE MURRAY AND WEST INTERSECTION BUT NO BUS WAS THERE. WE RODE AROUND THE VICINITY TO NO AVAIL. ANOTHER BUS HAD TO COME FROM N.E.A. TO RETURN THE OFFICERS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Signature P.O. James Sulewski #1319
(H.S. 3/14/02)

I have read and am in agreement with this report _____

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BUCKSLIP



TO: Chief Joseph Morris
FROM: Lieutenant John R. Podolak
DATE: March 4, 2002
SUBJECT: Response to Terrorist Attack – September 11, 2001

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On September 11, 2001, I was sitting in my office at building #10, Newark International Airport. Officer Peter Kuhn came in and informed me that a plane had crashed into the World Trade Center and that the Trade Center was on fire. I was in disbelief of his statement. He replied, It's on the news. I checked the news report and then went to inform Captain Kormash. We speculated briefly as to what had caused this at which point he said "we're going to get mobilized, do you want to go [to the WTC]". I replied in the affirmative. The captain instructed me to take everyone I could, but the airport had to stay operational.

Working from a copy of that day's roll call, I recalled Sergeant Sulewski who was working as the construction coordinator and all of the special detail officers. When Sergeant Sulewski reported to me at the police desk, I recapped for him where we were going and what had been accomplished to this point. I asked Sergeant Sulewski to contact Landside Operations (formerly Terminal Services) to obtain a bus for transportation and to try and identify any additional officers we could take with us and he did so. Everyone was ordered to bring their fire gear, SCBA and rescue tools. While waiting for the bus to arrive, the second plane hit. Shortly afterward the airport manager came downstairs to confer with Captain Kormash on security measures for the airport.

Finally clear of the airport, myself and two sergeants, plus eighteen police officers headed for U.S. Route 1&9 to go to the Holland Tunnel. However the road was clogged with traffic and the driver diverted to the New Jersey Turnpike. The Turnpike was stopped with traffic from on-lookers but had a wide enough shoulder that the bus could squeeze through. Some of the detail officers went ahead of our bus in radio cars. I was concerned that I would organizationally and tactically lose control of them, so by radio I ordered them to stand by at the Holland Tunnel till our arrival when we would enter New York as one unit. As we maneuvered along the shoulder of the Turnpike we saw the first tower collapse. The officers who were waiting for us at the Holland Tunnel reported by radio that the command post was instructing them to not wait any longer and they proceeded into New York City, led by Sergeant Borawski.

Shortly thereafter we entered New York City and proceeded down Broadway in order to reach the Port Authority Police command post situated at West Street and Vesey Street. As we approached Park Place, we received word that the command post was relocating because the second tower was also in danger of collapse. The command post was now relocated to West Street and Murray Street and we proceeded to make our way there. At the command post I

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reported to Inspector Morris that we were from Newark Airport and were equipped with bunker suits and other fire gear. He instructed me to have all of my personnel and equipment brought to the command post for inventory and deployment. I relayed those instructions to Sergeant Sulewski and proceeded to walk toward the Trade Center in order to obtain a view and a "feel" for what we were facing and to evaluate the scene.

I had only gone a short distance when I heard a loud sound over my head. I looked up and saw the upper sections of the Trade Center, the sections above the impact floor sitting on the building at an angle to the rest of the tower. That upper portion then separated from the tower and fell onto West Street. Concurrently the remaining floors of number Two World Trade Center began to collapse in rapid succession. I observed debris being ejected from the sides of the collapsing tower as each floor compressed onto the succeeding floor. Some of the debris struck nearby buildings. The debris and smoke cloud was rapidly approaching and as I turned to retreat I saw Captain Albin near me. I said to him, "run" and we did, going north on West Street along with numerous other police officers, firemen and undefined rescue workers. As I passed the Port Authority Command Post I saw Inspector Morris step fully inside, remaining with the vehicle. While moving north I saw Lieutenant Carbonero going in the same direction as myself. After travelling approximately a city block and a half I stopped, turned around and began moving south, back to the command post in order to regroup. As I did I observed Chief Hall standing on the east side of West Street talking with an officer I did not recognize. Any officer I saw from our department was instructed to respond back to the command post. While moving south I met up with Lieutenant Oorbeek who was walking north. He was breathing through a cloth rag he had found because the air was dense with smoke, ash and dust. He ripped a portion off for me to use as a makeshift filter and then decided to walk south with me toward the command post or to World Trade depending on where we could be of the most use.

We arrived at West Street and Barclay Street and were prevented from moving any further south due to the combined environmental conditions of very poor breathable air and lack of visibility. There was a bottled water company truck stopped on the west side of West Street dispensing water from the five gallon bottles and I was able to get a drink to clear my throat when someone poured the water into my cupped hands. I also wet my rag in order to make it a more effective filter. In the middle of the street Sergeant John Flynn was barking out instructions for all Port Authority Police officers to respond to the mobile command post. Lieutenant Oorbeek and myself instructed additional officers to respond to the command post and we went there ourselves in a effort to regroup and assess the current situation.

At the mobile command post a decision had been reached to leave there and find a fixed base of operation. Inspector Morris led all supervisors and officers present, north on West Street until we came to the auditorium building in the Manhattan Community College complex. It was decided that we would stay and work from here. There were no open doors, no college personnel present and no obvious or expeditious means of communication to the college so Path E.S.U. Officer Toth received instruction to gain a forced entry. A reinforced window in a door was removed and all personnel moved inside. I located Sergeants Sulewski and Borawski and instructed them to account for as many officers as had come with us. They informed me all were present with only minor injuries. Instruction was given from Inspector Morris for officers to retrieve and inventory all equipment available. While this accumulation of resources was taking place, word was given

to us to evacuate the auditorium as quickly as possible. The reason given was that an explosive device had been observed on the street outside the auditorium. This alarm was incorrect and later amended to a natural gas leak. All personnel again moved north. Avoiding the street, our contingent moved through the college on an outside walkway on the eastside of the complex. While we were walking we heard the now familiar, loud rumbling sound of a building collapsing and saw a column of smoke rising in the south from where we had come. We surmised another building at or near the World Trade Center had come down. Eventually we came to the opposite end of the college and settled into the gymnasium to use as a staging area.

While we were on standby in the gymnasium, supplies and equipment were brought in from the Port Authority stock room and personal protection gear issued to all persons. At some point in the afternoon Captain Albin instructed me to accompany him to the NYPD incident command post. Officer Ludlow was designated to be our driver. The location of the NYPD command post was incorrect and further inquiries to NYPD as to its location produced two other locations that were also incorrect. No other locations could be ascertained and further efforts to find it were halted. As dusk approached, Inspector Morris addressed the assembled officers and informed us that one half of this group would remain and the other half (Newark Airport included) would be dismissed in order to return the next morning. I informed Lieutenants Oorbeek and Doubraski that I was going to walk to the World Trade Center. They said they would also go and subsequently Captain Sbarra joined us. Travelling south on West Street we were able to get as far as Vesey Street before the building debris and the on going fires stopped us. Understanding the need for heavy machinery and not bare hands, I returned to the staging area and thereafter to Newark Airport.



John R. Podolak
Police Lieutenant
Newark International Airport

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Memorandum

TO: Chief of Department Joseph Morris
FROM: Detective Sergeant Thomas Bomengo
DATE: March 9, 2002
SUBJECT: World Trade Center Attack 9-11-01



REFERENCE:

COPY TO: File

On September 11, 2001, the undersigned was working a 7x3 tour at JFK Detective Unit when we were alerted to an aircraft crashing into the World Trade Center. We looked at the buildings from our window and observed a heavy smoke condition at the top of Tower One. The undersigned along with Detective Sergeants DiLena, Perdomo, and Detective Snyder responded in Vehicle #2501 via the Belt Parkway to the World Trade Center.

While enroute we observe a second ball of fire and heavy black smoke coming from Tower Two. During the trip into Manhattan we noticed what appeared to be office debris filling the sky. The TBTA Officers held traffic in the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel allowing emergency vehicles to enter into Manhattan. As we arrived at the scene we parked our vehicle opposite the new Marriott Hotel. The undersigned did contact Detective Lieutenant Podalack via Police radio and was instructed to respond to the command post, which was located in the lobby of One World Trade. As we began to walk north on West St. a uniformed New York City Police Officer yelled and motioned for us to run after he received a radio transmission that a possible third aircraft was approaching the Trade Center. We began to leave the area when I looked up and observed a person falling from the building. Civilians as well as emergency personnel ran South on West Street. During this time we observed body parts littering the Street along with severed streetlights. Once we arrived on Rector Street we observed on the Southeast corner, part of a landing gear with the wheel still attached. Members of the JFK Detective Squad took cover under the scaffolding when a transmission came over a New York City radio that "they are shooting from the Woolworth building". Repeated attempts were made to utilize the PAPD 800MHZ to confirm this but all attempts failed.

A decision was made that the undersigned along with Detective Snyder would accompany Detective Sergeant Dilena to the Federal Building. The aforementioned units walked East on Rector and turned left onto Greenwich St. during this time there was mass confusion caused by the evacuation of the buildings. We reached an intersection and I heard a tremendously loud whistling noise and observed Tower Two falling. I heard gun shots go off and people were running towards us. We directed the civilians out of the area East of Greenwich St. as additional uniformed police units arrived at the scene we proceeded to the Federal building. During the walk to the Federal Building we were assisting and directing people out of the area. Once we arrived at the Federal building we were not allowed in due to an ongoing bomb threat.

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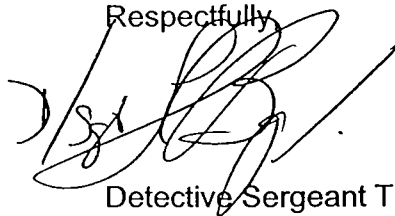
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Unable to enter the Federal Building we proceeded back to West St. and walked South back to One World Trade. A continuous flow of Emergency Vehicles was responding to the World Trade Center as civilians were fleeing the area. We were attempting to locate the Command Post without any communications, radio and cell phones were inoperable. As we approached One World Trade Center we observed the top floors of Tower One shift and begin to fall straight down. Emergency workers began running towards us and yelled for us to run away from the area. I stopped momentarily to look back and seen a cloud of smoke and debris coming in our direction. Detective Sergeant Dilena pulled my arm and yelled, "we have to run". As we ran, emergency workers as well civilians were leaping onto moving vehicles in an attempt to flee the area. Once at a safe distance we accessed the area and attempted to aid the injured. We noted that EMS personnel tended to Port Authority Police Units requiring medical attention. I noticed a firefighter that appeared to be in shock and attempted to get him medical attention however, he refused aid. I stayed with him until members of FDNY escorted him to their area. We were now going to attempt to "muster" all Port Authority Personnel in the area to maintain organization and await further instruction. Suddenly, Emergency workers yelled out to evacuate the area for secondary devices. On several occasions we retreated from our positions due to the smoke which contained unknown particles causing all to choke. A short time later we received word that all Port Authority Personnel were to report to the Gymnasium of Manhattan Community College. The said location was swept by PAPD K9 EDT and deemed safe for use. Once at the college we assisted medical personnel in setting up a triage area for the injured and offloading medical supplies from delivery trucks. We remained at the command post for further assignments until dismissed at approximately 2300 hours. We attempted to locate our vehicle however, due to the devastation we were unable to reach our vehicle from the North side of West St. Port Authority Chaplain Rabbi Meyer provided us with transportation back to JFK Airport.

This report submitted for your information and review

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Bomengo', is written over the word 'Respectfully'.

Detective Sergeant T. Bomengo

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To: LIEUT. GUTCH (POLICE HEADQUARTERS)

From: POLICE OFFICER BRUCE KENT TRB/CPP #716

Date: 03 / 01 / 02

Subject: RESPONDING UNITS TO WORLD TRADE CENTER 9/11/02

AS PER POLICE HEADQUARTERS REQUEST ON THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICERS INVOLVMENT DURING THE 9/11/02 TERRORIST ATTACK AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER IS AS FOLLOWS:

ON 09/11/02 THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICER WAS WORKING AT NEWARK AIRPORT ASSIGNED TO THE BICYCLE UNIT PATROLING TERMINAL C . THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICER WAS ADVISED TO RESPOND TO THE NEWARK AIRPORT BUILDING 10. THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICER WAS AWARE THAT AN AIRCRAFT HAD CRASHED INTO THE TOWER AND PLACED HIS BICYCLE INTO THE TRUNK OF A PASSING LIMO KNOWN TO THE UNDERSIGNED AND WAS TRANSPORTED BACK TO THE POLICE DESK.

UPON ARRIVING AT THE POLICE DESK THE UNDERSIGNED WAS THEN MOBILIZED ALONG WITH LIEUT PODOLAK SGT SULEWSKI PO MEZZACAPPA PO LATIMER PO MORALES ON A NEWARK AIRPORT BUS. PO LUDLOW ESCORTED THE BUS AS THE LEAD CAR TO NEW YORK. THE HOLLAND TUNNEL WAS CLOSED FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES ONLY.

THE UNDERSIGNED ALONG WITH ALL THE ABOVE LISTED OFFICERS RESPONDED TO THE CORNER OF VESEY AND GREENWICH STREET. THE BUS THEN STOPPED AND ALL THE OFFICERS ON THE BUS BEGAN TO PLACE SCOTT AIR PACKS ON AND PREPARE TO ENTER THE TOWER. I THEN RECALL ANOTHER POLICE OFFICER FROM OUR DEPARTMENT WITHOUT RECALLING HIS NAME YELL "GET OFF THE BUS THE OTHER TOWER IS COMMING DOWN".THE UNDERSIGNED GOT OFF THE BUS WITH THE SCOTT AIR PACK ON AND WORKING TO BE APPROACHED BY LIEUT STADFORD (PATH) COVERED IN DIRT FROM HEAD TO TOE. I STOPPED ALONG SIDE THE BUS AND ASSISTED LIEUT. STADFORD WITH AS MUCH AIR AS HE WANTED FROM MY TANK.

AS THE UNDERSIGNED WAS ADMIN. THE AIR TO LIEUT. STADFORD THE #2 TOWER BEGAN TO FALL AND I BEGAN TO RUN WITH THE OTHER OFFICER AS THE CLOUD OF SMOKE CHASED AS THE TOWER CAME DOWN. WHILE RETREATING DOWN THE STREET WITH PO MORALES PO LATIMER WE NOTICED A GROUP OF PEOPLE SCREAMING FROM BEHIND A CHAINLINK FENCE. THE UNDERSIGNED ALONG WITH THE OTHER

Signature 

I have read and am familiar with this report _____

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From: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Subject: _____

TWO OFFICERS LIFTED THE CHAINLINK FENCE FROM THE BOTTOM AND ALL THE PEOPLE FROM BEHIND THE FENCE EXITED AND RETREATED ALONG WITH THE OFFICERS.

THE CIVILIANS AND THE POLICE OFFICERS RAN INTO A NEARBY SCHOOL AS THE CLOUD OF SMOKE AND THE DEBRIS CONTINUED TO COME DOWN. I CAN REMEMBER GOING INTO A AUDITORIUM WITH NUMEROUS OTHER OFFICERS. I RECALL THEN GOING TO THE SITE AND THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND DETECTIVE MC HALE OF THE UNDERSIGNS DEPARTMENT WERE ADVISED THAT TWO PORT AUTHORITY POLICE OFFICERS ARE TRAPPED UNDER DEBRIS AND THAT THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO GET THEM OUT. I STOOD BY FOR TWO HOURS AS WE WAITED FOR THE OFFICERS TO BE REMOVED FROM UNDER THE DEBRIS.

AFTER WAITING ABOUT 2 OFFICER WILLIAM JIMENO OF THE PORT AUTHORITY BUS TERMINAL COMMAND WAS REMOVED. THE UNDERSIGNED WAS TOLD BY CAPT SABBARO TO GO IN THE AMBULANCE WITH THE INJURED OFFICER. THE UNDERSIGNED RESPONDED ALONGSIDE PO WILLIAM JIMENO TRANSPORTED BY AN AMBULANCE FROM LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NOT FAMILIER WITH THE AREA. THE UNDERSIGNED ADVISED THAT BELLVUE WOULD BE THE HOSPITAL TO GO WITH THE INJURED OFFICER.

UPON ARRIVING AT THE HOSPITAL PO WILLIAM JIMENO WAS RUSHED INTO SURGERY AND THE UNDERSIGNED WAITED FOR THE OFFICERS FAMILY TO ARRIVE. THE UNDERSIGNED SPENT THE NEXT 18 HOURS AT BELLVUE WITH PO WILLIAM JIMENO AND HIS FAMILY.

DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE INCIDENT THE ABOVE IS ALL THAT THE UNDERSIGNED OFFICER CAN RECALL AT THIS TIME.

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Signature _____ PO BRUCE KENT #716 TRB/CPP

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Gutch, Edward

From: Kohlmann, Kenneth
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2002 11:08 AM
To: Gutch, Edward
Subject: response to Sept 11

Lt. Gutch

The events on Sept 11 as I remember them are as follows.

Mike Florie was at JFK Medical and had been driven there by PO Paul Jurgens who then proceeded on to the Tech Center for an interview with Capt Mazza. Frank Giaramita and I were in the office at Bldg 254 when we were notified that an aircraft had hit the World Trade Center. Frank and I with the help of the officers at the Satellite loaded the academy bus with Scott Paks and other equipment and left to pick up Sgt. Florie at JFK Medical. After picking up Sgt. Florie we were notified by radio that there were officers at Bldg 269 who needed transportation to the WTC. We at this time could see that both buildings had been hit and knew that this was an attack. We responded to 269, where we loaded more equipment and were joined by Officers Maher, Hawkins, Greco, Egbert and Jilling.

The bus now loaded with equipment and personnel proceeded to the disaster site. While en-route we encountered traffic that slowed our response somewhat. We proceeded west on the Belt Parkway and as we were driving into the Battery Tunnel we observed the collapse on WTC 2. We entered the tunnel and at first continued on without any problem until we began to observe people running through the tunnel, it seems they entered via emergency exits and were attempting to escape Manhattan. We proceeded on until the vehicles in front of us suddenly came to a stop and began to turn around. The cloud of debris had entered the tunnel and cut visibility down to a few feet. Realizing we could no longer proceed ahead the officers on the bus got out and began to assist those persons escaping through the tunnel. Some of these persons were having breathing difficulties and chest pains. We then offloaded all the supplies in the tunnel and loaded the bus with persons who required assistance. We slowly backed the bus out of the tunnel, with our officers on the ground to insure the safety of those hundreds of persons still escaping through the tunnel.

Upon exiting the tunnel we were assisted in the treatment of the injured by EMS personnel who had been stopped at the tunnel. The bus we had responded in had reached empty on the gas gauge and after a few minutes I was able to secure gas from TBTA personnel. We got back in the bus and along with four or five members of the FDNY we re-entered the tunnel and proceeded into Manhattan. Along the way we picked up the supplies we had offloaded (it seems that this equipment was thought to be suspicious and briefly was treated as a possible bomb) and finally entered Manhattan. We were the first vehicle to enter Manhattan through the tunnel after the collapse.

Upon our exit from tunnel, the scene we encountered was beyond our worst expectations. The second tower had collapsed and the area around the WTC site was virtually deserted. At this time Sgts. Florie, Giaramita PO Maher and I donned PPE and began to walk toward the site. PO's Egbert, Hawkins and Jilling were told to stay with the bus and provide whatever assistance they could render at that location. We walked up West St. looking for injured but were stopped by debris at Liberty St.. We then proceeded around the World Financial Center again looking for those who needed assistance, none were encountered (in fact almost no one at all was seen). We finally made it around to the other side of the site at Vescey St. where we assisted some FDNY personnel who were beginning to attempt to fight the fire at 7 WTC. We assisted in dragging hose they needed to bring water to the building. After about a half hour we decided to find the command post of the PAPD. We found PAPD personnel at the gym of Manhattan Community College and advised the command post of our presence.

Later that day I was put in command of a squad of officers who's function was to respond to the site and begin the arduous task of looking for survivors. That evening I was approached by members of NYPD ESU, who advised me that two members of the PAPD were trapped and that the best access to them was on Liberty St.. After advising the Command Post, my squad and I responded to the scene. At Liberty St. hundreds of rescuers were working to get our men out. After working our way through the crowd we got to the rubble area and PO's Connor, Maconnell and I climbed the pile to get to the victims. While on the pile we assisted in dragging hose, SCBA, water bottles and other equipment to the rescuers deep in the rubble. Several hundred feet of hose was stretched to get to the area of the trapped personnel.

At this time fires were raging all around and below us. The smoke was extremely thick. The three of us were able to climb several hundred feet into the rubble all the time transporting equipment to those at the scene. Finally after about what seemed like hours all three of us were almost overcome with fatigue and smoke and I made the decision to exit, hopefully to be replaced by other PAPD personnel. After finally exiting the rubble I was separated from any PA personnel

and was having great difficulty breathing at the scene. I began to walk back to the command post to receive aid. I became lost, at one time ending up at Beekman Downtown Hospital finally finding MCC where my eyes were washed out with water and I was able to recover.

We were later able to determine that we had gotten within ten or twenty feet from where they were rescued. At the time because of the smoke we were not able to determine this. We all had paper masks that proved virtually useless. In fact at one point I poured water in my eyes to clear them and doing this got the paper mask wet which made it completely useless and I discarded it.

This is the events I encountered as I best can remember them.

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Memorandum

TO: Lt. Gutch
FROM: Det. John Curnyn
DATE: March 6, 2002
SUBJECT: September 11, 2001



On September 11, 2001, I was a police officer assigned to the JFK detective squad and was wearing civilian clothes. At approximately 0855, I left JFK with Det. M. Molina and Det. J. Trotter to respond to the WTC. While enroute, the second plane struck Tower 2 and we observed the resulting fireball from our vehicle. Det. Molina had a NYPD portable radio from which we monitored NYPD citywide channel.

We proceeded through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel and then north on West Street. Det. Molina parked his vehicle on West Street and the three of us started to walk northbound on the east side on West Street. Because of falling debris, we had to turn around and walk southbound. I'm not sure what the cross street was, but we saw a landing gear assembly from an aircraft on the corner of West and the unknown street and we then went east on this street. Once again we changed direction and now crossed West Street, went north and into the World Financial Center to avoid falling debris and people jumping from Tower 2. We eventually made our way to the PAPD command vehicle on east side of West Street, just north of Vesey Street. I don't think we were there for more than a minute when a large amount of debris started falling from the west side of Tower 2. Tower 2 was starting to collapse. I then began to run north on West Street and became separated from Dets. Molina and Trotter. Many civilians were standing still and myself and other police officers, mostly NYPD, were yelling at them to run northbound. I turned east on an unknown street and joined up with police officers from the BT. I believe Lt. Murphy was with them. We went north on an unknown street and were ordering all civilians to also go north. I believe we went north to Canal Street where we met police officers from LGA. I do not have a specific recollection of the collapse of Tower 1. The assembled group eventually started to walk south on West Street. I left the group when I saw Det. Sgt. Fitzgerald and Det. Nachstein. The three of us responded to the temporary command post at the BMCC gym where along with other PAPD detectives, we assisted in the setting up of a triage area. I remained at the command post for the rest of the afternoon and returned to JFK at approximately 2130 hours.

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3/6/02

Port of Authority of New York and New Jersey

Memorandum

TO: Lieutenant E. Gutch

FROM: DETECTIVE RICHARD PAUGH #119

DATE: March 6, 2002

ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 THE UNDERSIGNED WAS SCHEDULED TO WORK A 7X3 TOUR AT THE WTC COMMAND.

AT APPROXIMATELY 0845 HRS WHILE JUST ENTERING THE POLICE DESK FROM A MEETING AT THE I.G. OFFICE ON THE 77TH FLOOR # 1 WTC, I HEARD AND FELT SOME TYPE OF LOUD IMPACT AND RUMBLE. I IMMEDIATELY RESPONDED OUTSIDE TO CHURCH STREET AND OBSERVED A HUGE FIRE COMING FROM THE THIRD ZONE OF # 1 WTC. I RESPONDED BACK TO THE DESK TO INFORM PO BRADY AS TO WHAT I OBSERVED. AIDEDS BEGAN COMING INTO THE DESK AND ALONG WITH DETECTIVE NAFEY, WE BEGAN TO ASSIST THE AIDEDS.

A WITNESS TO THE INCIDENT, WHO WORKED AT # 2 WTC CAME INTO THE POLICE DESK TO REPORT WHAT HE HAD SEEN. THE UNDERSIGNED AND DETECTIVE NAFEY WERE IN THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING THE INFORMATION WHEN DETECTIVE MCCAULEY, PAPD AND DETECTIVE NERNEY, NYPD ENTERED. THE WITNESS WAS TURNED OVER TO THEM AND I THEN PROCEEDED TO HELP PO BRADY AT THE DESK WITH TELEPHONE CALLS AND AIDEDS.

AT SOME POINT DETECTIVES' WHEELER AND FITZGERALD CAME INTO THE POLICE DESK WITH A PHOTOGRAPHER WHO HAD CAPTURED THE SECOND PLANE CRASH ON VIDEO. IT WAS DECIDED THAT DETECTIVES WHEELER AND FITZGERALD WOULD GO TO THE PHOTOGRAPHER'S OFFICE ON TRINITY PLACE TO DUPLICATE THE TAPE. SOMETIME DURING THIS SEQUENCE OF EVENTS THE SECOND PLANE CRASHED INTO TOWER TWO.

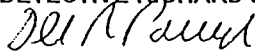
WHILE ASSISTING AT THE POLICE DESK THE LIGHTS, RADIOS, AND SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS WENT OUT, FOLLOWED BY AN EXTREMELY LOUD RUMBLE AND EXPLOSION. THE POLICE DESK AREA IMMEDIATELY FILLED WITH SMOKE AND DEBRIS, MAKING IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO BREATHE.

UNAWARE THAT WHAT WE ACTUALLY FELT AND HEARD WAS THE COLLAPSE OF # 2 WTC, A DECISION WAS MADE TO EVACUATE THE POLICE DESK. THE UNDERSIGNED, ALONG WITH DETECTIVE NAFEY, POLICE OFFICERS BRADY, MURRAY, ESSEX, BULGER, MAGGETT, INSPECTOR NORRIS, WTC MANAGER ALAN REISS, AND CAPTAINS CLERK BRIAN SMITH FORMED A HUMAN CHAIN AND EVACUATED THE POLICE DESK. UPON EXITING THROUGH THE FRONT WE ASSISTED OTHER CIVILIANS THAT WERE WANDERING IN THE HALLWAY OF # 5 WTC. WE THEN EXITED THROUGH BORDERS BOOK STORE ONTO VESEY STREET.

UPON EXITING THE COMPLEX THE CHAIN BECAME SEPARATED AND I THEN PROCEEDED TO HEAD WEST ON BARCLAY STREET WITH PO BRADY TO MADE CONTACT WITH THE COMMAND POST THAT HAD BEEN SET UP ON WEST STREET. UPON REACHING WEST STREET I OBSERVED # 1 WTC COLLAPSE. I PROCEEDED NORTH ON WEST STREET TO ESCAPE THE FALLING DEBRIS AND THEN MUSTERED WITH OUR UNITS AT NORTH MOORE AND WEST STREET.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

DETECTIVE RICHARD PAUGH # 119



The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lt. E. Gutch

From: Sgt. K. Feeley

Date: 3/3/02

Subject: "September 11, Response"

ON the ABOVE date, The undersigned Responded From The BUS TERMINAL TO The WTC.

The Response WAS IN Veh 5350. Along With Sgt. J. McLoughlin And Inspector Fields.

UPON ARRIVAL AT The WTC, Volunteers were Requested From A BUS Arriving With Additional Officers From The BUS TERMINAL.

These Volunteers were To Assist Sgt. McLoughlin in GATHERING Equipment That would Be Needed For A Floor By Floor EVACUATION.

While AWAITING Further INFORMATION From Sgt. McLoughlin Pertaining To The STATUS of The Equipment, we were Advised By NYPD, NYFD, AND NYC EMS That A Third PLANE WAS Following The SAME FLIGHT PATTERN AS The First Two.

We were Told To Move Further AWAY UNTIL Verification Could Be Made.

IN The Process of The Movement I Became Separated From The Rest of The Responding Officers From The BUS TERMINAL.

I CAME IN CONTACT With Two INDIVIDUALS IN Need of FIRST AID. These INDIVIDUALS were Brought To The Nearest EMS UNITS I could Find.

Signature

Sgt. K. Feeley #215 Pg 1 of 2

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. E. Gutch
From: Sgt. K Feeley
Date: 3/3/02
Subject: (Sept 11,)

OBSERVED A NEARBY SCHOOL BEING EVACUATED,
(UNKNOWN NAME) STAYED AND ASSISTED WITH THE EVACUATION.

I THEN HEARD A RADIO TRANSMISSION FROM SGT McLOUGHLIN
INDICATING HE HAD THE EQUIPMENT AND WAS ENROUTE TO THE
ORIGINAL LOCATION.

I HEARD A NOISE WHICH SOUNDED LIKE A JET
ENGINE GOING TO FULL POWER, I HAD THOUGHT THIS
WAS THE THIRD PLANE IN QUESTION.

WHEN I LOOKED UP I SAW TOWER ONE COLLAPSING,
WHICH WAS THE CAUSE OF THE SOUND.

UPON THE COLLAPSE I FOUND MYSELF IN THE MIDDLE
OF A STREET ENGULFED IN A BROWN CLOUD OF DEBRIS
AND SMOKE, UNABLE TO BREATHE.

I WAS ABLE TO SEEK SHELTER UNTIL THE CLOUD
PASSED BY.

UPON EXITING THE SHELTER, I HEARD SCRATCHY
RADIO TRANSMISSIONS INDICATING FOR ALL UNITS TO HEAD
NORTH, EMERGENCY UP AT N. MOORE ST. COLLEGE GYM.

Sgt. K Feeley #215 802082
Signature

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The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: LT. GUTCH

From: P.O. JOHN A. MCCLAIN#959

Date: 03 / 04 / 02

Subject: TERRORIST ATTACK-SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

AT APPROXIMATELY AT 0850HRS. MYSELF ALONG WITH OFFICERS FRANCO, GATTULO, LECEIC, MORALES, GYSIN, LUONGO AND GAVIN RESPONDED TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTER. UPON ARRIVING VIA BARKLEY ST. I GOT OUT OF THE VAN AND HELPED PEOPLE AROUND THE STREET GET TO SAFETY. I ALONG WITH MY FELLOW OFFICERS MENTIONED ABOVE GOT BACK INTO THE VAN, AND WENT FOUR BLOCKS DOWN TO THE COMMAND POST. I SECURED MY SHOTGUN INSIDE THE COMMAND POST AND STARTED TO PUT MY BUNKER GEAR ON. AS SOON AS I PUT MY PANT STRAPS OVER MY SHOULDERS, BUILDING ONE STARTED TO COME DOWN. WE ALL STARTED TO RUN DOWN THE WEST SIDE HIGHWAY TO SAFETY. THERE WAS A PEDESTRIAN HAVING PROBLEMS BREATHING, AND STARTED RESCUE BREATHING UNTIL PARAMEDICS GOT TO THE SCENE. APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER WE REGROUPED AND BUILDING TWO CAME DOWN. WE ALL RAN FOR COVER, AS I WAS RUNNING DOWN THE WEST SIDE HIGHWAY AGAIN I RAN INTO OFFICER GATTULO, WHO WAS HAVING A TOUGH TIME RUNNING. I GRABBED HIM BY THE BACK OF HIS SHIRT AND HELPED HIM GET TO SAFETY. APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES LATER WE ALL REGROUPED IN A AUDITORIUM OFF THE WEST SIDE HIGHWAY TO FIND OUT WHAT TO DO NEXT. WE WERE THEN TOLD TO GET OUT OF THE AUDITORIUM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ALL OFFICERS THAT WERE IN THE AUDITORIUM DID NOT KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS AND SCURRIED OUT AS SOON AS WE COULD IN A ORDALLY FORM. WE THEN SET UP A COMMAND POST AT THE BMCC AND AWAITED INSTRUCTION. UNFORTUNATELY WE COULD NOT DO MUCH MORE BECAUSE OF FEAR THAT OTHER BUILDINGS SURROUNDING THE TRADE CENTER WERE GOING TO COME DOWN.

Signature P.O. JOHN A. MCCLAIN#959

I have read and am familiar with this report

LT. P. Franco #129

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TO: Lt. Gutch
FROM: P.O. Kevin Ward #1178
DATE: 12/27/01
SUBJECT: WTC 9/11/01



On 09/11/01 at 0910 hrs., I was at the JFK detectives office when we received a report that a plane had hit one of the WTC towers. I went outside of Building 269 to the parking lot where I could see the WTC. I saw that one of the towers was on fire with thick black smoke coming out of the tower. I then got into Det. Rapps' vehicle and we rushed to the scene. While on the Belt Pkwy. I saw a large fireball coming from one of the towers, which turned out to be the second plane crashing into the tower. As we were approaching the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel, there were papers falling out of the sky. We stopped to pick-up one of these papers, which turned out to be a business type paper. As we exited the tunnel onto West St., we drove up to the area of the Marriott Financial Center, where we parked the car. At this time I observed a large section of the tower had a hole in it with large amounts of fire and smoke coming from both towers. There were thousands of people running in the streets and sidewalks away from the WTC. I also noticed many body parts on the sidewalks in this area. Det. Rapp decided to move his vehicle further away from this area, due to the fact that there were falling objects and evidence strewn all over the street. After moving the vehicle further south on West Street, we put on our PAPD raid jackets and proceeded toward the towers to assist in the evacuation. As we proceeded north on West street, in addition to body parts I saw an airplane wheel with part of the landing gear on the corner of West street and Rector. As we continued toward the towers, we assisted people running from the scene and giving directions for people to continue walking away from the towers. As we got closer, I noticed pieces of metal and glass as well as bodies falling from the towers. I was unable to tell if these people were jumping or just falling out of the towers, but I saw more than a dozen people fall to the ground. At this point, for our own safety, we moved across the street to provide us more protection from the falling objects. Sometime at this point we came into contact with Sgt. Perdomo, Sgt. Dilena, Sgt. Bomengo, Det. Cuman, Det. M. Molina and Det. Trotter. Sgt. Dilena and Sgt. Bomengo were in route to Federal Plaza to report to the OEM Command Center. Sgt. Perdomo, Det.s' Molina, Cuman, Rapp, Trotter and myself then set out to report to the PAPD Command Center on Barclay and West Street. Somewhere in the area of Greenwich and Park Place, I heard a loud noise like jet engines at full throttle that was coming right toward us. Others and myself started yelling, "It's another plane....run". I ran into a building for cover along with many civilians and police from the streets. I heard a loud crash; the lights flickered off and on and within a few seconds we were in a complete blackout, as the building began to fill with smoke and dust. After a few minutes, we attempted to exit the building but were force to go back into the building because of the heavy smoke and dust condition on the street. Inside the building I found it alittle easier to see

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and breath. We all stayed inside the building and talked amongst ourselves on what was the best action to take. After a few minutes, we decided it was best to leave the building and go north, away from the WTC. So as a group, including police and civilians, we all left the building into the street and ran north. When I left the building, I placed a handkerchief over my mouth and nose so as to make breathing easier. At one intersection, I turned west and ran toward the water because the air looked clearer to me in that area. At some point down this street, we stopped to regroup. With me were Dets.' Rapp and Trotter. I didn't know what happened to Sgt. Perdomo and Dets.' Molina and Curnan. Det Rapp said he saw then continuing to run north from the point where we had turned. From this point on we decided that we must stay together as a group and not to separate for each others safety. We then headed further west toward the water instructing people to come with us and to get away from the area of the towers. When we reached a park area by the water we stopped to rest for a moment, that's when I realized that a tower had fallen. As we were watching the one tower burning, I saw the antenna begin to fall straight down and then the tower begin to crumble under. The second tower had just fallen. Again the area began to fill with large amounts of smoke and dust, so we retreated towards the waters edge. People were running towards the water where NY Waterways ferries were pulling alongside the cement walls and people were jumping over the railing and onto the boats, who took them away from the area. I saw Det. Trotter directing people running from the tower towards the water and the ferryboats. Myself and Det. Rapp were at the water assisting people in that area. After awhile, we regrouped and decided to walk back towards the towers to see if we could assist anymore. At about this time we came upon a NYC fireman who looked disoriented and confused. He approached us and asked if we knew where his company was. He told us he was new on the job and he was at the towers when they collapsed and that he lost his whole company. His hands were shaking and he kept repeating as to where his company was. We showed him where there were another group of fireman in the park and gave him some water. Det. Rapp gave him a cell phone so he could make a phone call. We then again attempted to make it back toward the towers, however never made it because NYFD kept telling us that there were major gas leaks in the areas that we were in. So we backed out and tried to approach from another area. During this time, both Det. Rapp and myself made contact with JFK police desk via cell phone and we were instructed to go to the PAPD command center at the Borough of Manhattan College. We also advised the desk of the 82s' we had seen after the towers had fallen and were safe. I had seen PO Greco, PO Egbert and a PO from the pool (I forget her name right now) with the police academy bus, they had given us water and a mask to wear. At this point, we ran into Det. Gilia, who also stated he was heading toward the command center. While at the academy bus, a PA employee, Greg Burnham (I think that was his name) came up to us and said he was going to the command center also. We gave him direction to the location and he went on his way. Det. Giglia was in contact with Det. F. Esposito, who I think was already at the command center, and advised Det. Esposito that myself, Det.s' Trotter and Rapp were on our way to the command center. While in route to the command center, we ran into PA employee Greg Burnham, who stated he was having trouble finding the command center, so we told him to stay with us. We all finally arrived at the PAPD Command Center at BMC many hours later. We checked in at a table with other detectives, then I went over to the first aid station to have my eyes washed out a

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few times due to the irritation. I then stayed at the command center until released to return to JFK sometime that evening.

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Memorandum



TO: Lieutenant E. Gutch
FROM: Detective George J. Dorner
DATE: December 04, 2001
SUBJECT: Terrorist Attack – September 11, 2001

COPY:

On September 11, 2001 the undersigned was working a 6x2 tour at LaGuardia Airport Command. Detective Sergeant Anthony Fitzgerald, Detective James Nachstein, Detective Jose Molina and the undersigned were notified that an aircraft had struck the World Trade Center. Inspector Joseph Morris advised the detectives at Laguardia Airport that he was mobilizing all of the available uniformed force, and directed the detectives to also respond.

The undersigned along with Det. James Nachstein utilizing vehicle # 2176 joined a motorcade of rescue and emergency vehicles that responded to the World Trade Center from LaGuardia Airport. Upon arriving the undersigned responded to the Port Authority Police Command Center. At this time the undersigned was advised that in addition to an Aircraft striking Tower #1, a second aircraft had just crashed into Tower #2.

The undersigned then went towards Tower #1 in an effort to assist in the evacuation and rescue. Numerous people were observed on the high Tower floors in the area of the windows, waving and then jumping or falling to the ground. As the undersigned approached Tower #1, Tower #2 began to collapse. The undersigned ran and took shelter in a New York City Fire truck. The falling debris fell on the undersigned and into the Fire truck. A New York City Fireman exited the secure area of the Fire Truck after the debris stopped falling and provided a mask with a filtering system to the undersigned. This enabled the undersigned to get breathable air. As the air cleared the undersigned made my way down West Street.

The undersigned met Detective Richard Sheehan who was having difficulty breathing and seeing with all the particles in the air. The undersigned along with Det. Sheehan responded to vehicle # 2176 to retrieve a filtering mask for Det. Sheehan. The undersigned with Det. Sheehan moved vehicle # 2176 from West Broadway and Barclay to West Broadway and Murray St. As the undersigned and Det. Sheehan walked back in the direction of The World Trade Center, Tower #1 collapsed. The undersigned and Det. Sheehan took cover and waited for the debris to stop falling at which point we rescued a male who had taken cover under a truck and was unable to breath or see. We washed out his eyes and mouth

with water and escorted him from the area.

The undersigned and Det. Sheehan then responded to the temporary Port Authority Police Command Center. The undersigned was at the temporary command center until I was assigned to the morgue at the New York City Office of The Chief Medical Examiner located at Bellevue Hospital Center.

Detective George J. Dorner #106
CIB / LGA

George J. Dorner
3/28/01

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TO: Lt. Edward Gutch
FROM: Lt. William Burns
DATE: March 15, 2002
SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO WTC 9/11

COPY TO: C.Trucillo, file

At 0830 hours on September 11, 2001, I departed the Port Authority Technical Center with Lt. William Oorbeek. We traveled to Jersey City Police Academy in an unmarked CCIU vehicle to attend a training seminar. At approximately 0855 hours we learned that a plane had struck 1 WTC. We departed the academy and proceeded directly to the World Trade Center. We parked our vehicle on the center island at the intersection of West Street and Vesey Street and proceeded to enter building via the VIP drive doors.

The building had sustained heavy damage and debris including steel, cement, and glass was falling to the ground.

Lt. Oorbeek and I observed a male black lying on the ground in an awkward position. He had a small amount of blood on the left side of his head and was not responsive. A check of his carotid artery revealed that he did not have a pulse and was apparently dead. I was not able to determine the cause of death because he did not appear to have sustained any significant visible injury.

We entered the lobby area and tried to access the damage to the building and were immediately approached by a Marriott Hotel employee who recognized Lt. Oorbeek. We were informed that Lt. Oorbeek's wife, who is a Marriott Hotel employee, was safe and was treating the injured. At this time the sprinkler system had been activated and people were evacuating the area. We decided to respond to the police desk in 5 WTC.

Upon our arrival we observed that the police desk and adjoining offices had sustained damage as a result of the attack. I went to the administrative offices, break room, and detective offices to evacuate all personnel. I then took a position behind the police desk and proceeded to answer the phones. We had heard that a plane was possibly hijacked from Newark Airport. I telephoned NIA and spoke with Police Officer Joseph Pierce who informed me that he was not aware of any hijacking or attempted hijacking. I took a WTC police radio with me and exited through Borders' Book Store. It wasn't until then that I realized that it was a commercial aircraft that had struck the tower.

Huge pieces of the aircraft including landing gear and pieces of the fuselage were crashing to the ground. People were running in an attempt to avoid the falling debris. Lt. Oorbeek and I then went back into the building and down one floor to the concourse. We continued to advise people to remain calm and exit the building. As we made our way through the concourse we decided to ascertain where our Mobile Command Post and staging areas were. As we attempted to exit the building, we could hear what sounded like explosions outside.

There was a New York City Fire Fighter in the road that was looking up and waving his arms. I stopped momentarily and all of a something landed on top of a vehicle crushing it. It was then I realized what the explosions were; it was the sound of bodies landing. I exited the building and walked sideways with my back against the building to protect myself from falling debris. I shielded my eyes and looked up to see where the falling debris was coming from. The debris was coming from the building but as I watched I could see it was actually people falling. Arms and legs flailing and then when they landed just completely crushing police cars, fire trucks, and other people. There was a lot of broken glass falling and I started to head up to our Mobile Command Vehicle.

It was then that the building started to collapse. I tried to take a position on the bumper of the Mobile Command Vehicle. A group of police officers, sergeants, detectives and lieutenants huddled together. I was enveloped in the debris cloud. What was a clear sunny day was now pitch black. I unbuttoned my shirt and put my head down in an attempt to filter the air to breathe easier. I heard several people coughing and gasping for air.

After a few minutes I was able to open my eyes and could see the strobe lights on emergency vehicles but visibility was severely limited. We just tried to make sure that everyone was all right and make notifications of what had just happened. Then, the second tower fell. Again we were enveloped in the dirt, dust, and debris. We then went into Manhattan Community College gymnasium and began to establish a command post.

A triage unit was formed including doctors and nurses that had begun to arrive from area hospitals. Under the direction of Captain Whittaker, I began to form teams of police officers with sergeants and then assigned each to a lieutenant. We attempted to organize our personnel, establish communications, and formulate a course of action.

Lt. William Burns

Lt. William Burns
Port Authority Police
Civilian Complainant Investigations Unit

W. Burns
3/26/02

THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

Memorandum

TO: Lieutenant Edward Gutch
FROM: Detective Phil Passaro
DATE: March 25, 2002
SUBJECT: Response to terrorist attack-9-11-01



REFERENCE: AMOF 64-01

COPY TO: Chief J. Morris, Deputy Chief R. Caron, file.

On the morning of September 11, 2001 the undersigned was on an excess RDO. I first heard of the attack on my TV. I immediately left my place of residence (Merrick, NY), and responded directly to JFKIA. I arrived at the same time as Deputy Chief R. Caron, at this time we were the only detectives at JFKIA. Under the directions of Deputy Chief R. Caron we made sure that the FAA control tower, fuel farms, and other area's of extreme importance were secure. Made sure that all our heavy equipment was available, and ready for use. Using the days roll call / sign in sheet we started to take a head count to see who was where. We knew that certain detectives assigned to task forces were assigned cell phones, which turned out to be our only source of communication. I was able to stay in contact with Det's F. Esposito, E. Rapp, C. Giglia, who were able to give us an accurate account of what was happening, and who was where. During this time we also made contact with the different agencies at JFKIA, and made sure they were responding to the command post that was being set up in the conference room at the JFKIA police precinct building # 269. After the second aircraft hit the World Trade Center the FAA shut down the New York air space, and all aircraft that were about to take off or on the taxiways were returned to their gates. There were numerous suspicious passengers removed from the aircraft's and returned to Port Authority Police Building # 269 for investigation. The undersigned assisted in the investigations along with the FBI Joint Terrorist Task Force for the remainder of my tour, which ended at 2300 hours.

Det. Phil Passaro #33

Detective Phil Passaro # 33

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Memorandum



TO: Chief Joseph Morris
FROM: Det/Sgt Anthony Fitzgerald
DATE: November 2, 2001
SUBJECT: **TERRORIST ATTACK – SEPTMEBER 11, 2001**

REF: Memo from J. Morris to A.M.O.F. dated 10/23/01

COPY: G. Dorner, J.Molina, J.Nachstein, file.

On September 11, 2001, the below listed members of the LaGuardia Detective Unit were mobilized to the World Trade Center disaster.

Detective Sergeant Anthony Fitzgerald – 33510

Detective James Nachstein – 21445

Detective George Dorner – 22048

Detective Jose Molina – 22578

All responded to the Port Authority Police Command Post located on West Street. They were attempting to gather information when the first tower collapsed. After the second tower collapsed, they started querying supervisors at the scene regarding missing and injured police personnel. Based on this information, they responded to the NYC Medical Examiners Office and established a command post at Bellevue Hospital Morgue.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D/Sgt A Fitzgerald".

Anthony Fitzgerald
Detective Sergeant
LaGuardia Airport

To: LT. Gutch
From: P.O. Carrigan
Date: 04/03/02
Subject: Sept. 11, 2001:

I was working (Backup To Truck 8) ESW on the 0600-1400 Tour when the first plane hit the north Tower I along w/ P.O. Kuechler & Sgt. Delgado were advised to respond back to 269 for equipment to load up & respond to the disaster site, we arrived on scene approx. a 1/2 hr. after the second plane hit & set Truck 8 up on the south bound side of west street facing North on the north side of the north walk bridge in front of Tower 1.

We were told by Sgt. Delgado to bunker up but standby until he could locate the command post & get orders, P.O. Kuechler & myself were standing by bunkered up waiting for further instructions, P.O. Kuechler & myself were walking south on W. St. towards Tower 2 after awhile seeing if there was anything we could do one way or another in aiding/assisting pedestrians who appeared to be in shock & disoriented.

We suddenly heard a roar which sounded like another plane coming into the Towers, when we looked up it was Tower 2 coming down. Sgt. Delgado, P.O. Kuechler & myself

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I am familiar with this report

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To: LT. Gutch

From: P.G. Carrigan

Date: 04/03/02

Subject: Sept. 11, 2001

headed north on west st. Then west on Vesey
Towards the river assisting patrons along the way.
After the debris had settled we headed towards
West & Vesey again where we assisted more patrons
& stood by to assist whoever we could when Tower 1
started to come down, the three of us headed north
on west st. again helping patrons.

When we got to about
Warren st. we met up w/ other mot's and were
told to muster @ the community college gym. I
have been temporarily re-assigned to the disaster
site from JFK & have been here every day to date

Signature *Joseph P. Carrigan*

U. Gutch 4/4/02

I have read and am familiar with this report

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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

MEMORANDUM



TO: Chief Joseph Morris
FROM: Detective Ronald Snyder
DATE: March 14, 2002
SUBJECT: September 11, 2001

COPY TO: file

On September 11, 2001 the undersigned was working a scheduled day tour and was assigned to Queens Criminal Court for a Hearing, in regard to a JFK arrest case # 7101-01. At approximately 0855 hours as I readied to respond to the Queens Court House I was informed that an airplane had struck Tower One of the World Trade Center. At this time Detective Sergeant Ray DiLena directed me to drive him, along with Detective Sergeants T. Bomengo and Perdomo, in vehicle #2501 to the scene. While we were in route we learned that a second airplane had struck Tower Two. Upon reaching West Street I parked the vehicle in the left lane a few blocks south of One World Trade Center. As I exited the vehicle someone reported that a third aircraft was coming in, I ran east and started directing onlookers to leave the area and take cover. At this time Sergeant DiLena directed me to accompany him and Sergeant Bomengo to 26 Federal Plaza. As we were making our way North towards 26 Federal Plaza we were telling people to keep moving out of the area. At one point in time a loud roaring sound was heard, I thought this was the third aircraft coming in, as I ran for cover this cloud of smoke and debris engulfed the area. Gunshots rang out and I took cover again. After a few moments I discovered that the gunshots were fired by NYPD Officers attempting to gain access into one of the buildings, either for cover or to assist with evacuations. After a few minutes of searching I reunited with Sergeants DiLena and Bomengo and we continued walking towards 26 Federal Plaza. Upon arriving at 26 Federal Plaza we discovered that it too was being evacuated. At this time we responded toward West Street to locate our Command Post. As we were walking on West Street towards Tower One I heard that roaring sound again and I could see that Tower One was also starting to fall. I yelled to Sergeants DiLena and Bomengo to run. We ran north down West Street and again a cloud of smoke and debris engulfed the area. As the cloud dissipated I realized that Tower One had also collapsed. As I walked north on West Street I started to see groups of rescue workers from numerous departments including PAPD. At this point I was separated from Sergeants DiLena and Bomengo, I had no communications and was both mentally and physically drained. Breathing was a chore because of the air quality. I eventually located other PAPD personnel and was told that we were to respond to the Command Post at the Manhattan Community College Gymnasium. At the command post I assisted in setting up a triage area and then remained there until being dismissed at approximately 2300 hours.

Respectfully

Detective Ronald E Snyder

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Joseph Moerus, Chief of the Department
From: Police Officer Robert J. Essex #1828
Date: 3/28/2002
Subject: September 11, 2001

On the morning of September 11, 2001, I was returning to my house from bringing my two sons to school, when my telephone rang. It was my wife and she told me to turn the T.V. on because a plane had hit the World Trade Center.

I saw the footage of the second plane hitting tower two. I told my wife, "I have to go there right now", put on my uniform and rushed to the site. I parked behind 7 WTC at approximately 0925 hours and I signed in at 0930 hours.

There was no longer any fire fighting equipment at the police station. Knowing that we had dedicated Haz-Mat S.C.B.A. packs, I went to my locker to get the keys to the Haz-Mat equipment room, a flashlight as well as the keys to the facility which all W.T.C. officers carried for emergency access to various locations.

After removing several S.C.B.A. packs for the Police Officers that were in the station house, I donned an S.C.B.A. pack and suddenly the lights went out and the building began to shake. We heard a tremendous rumbling sound and

Signature Po Robert J. Essex #1828

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To: Joseph Morris, Chief of the Department

From: Police Officer Robert J. Zosch #1828

Date: 3/28/2002

Subject: September 11, 2001 (continued)

took cover under door jambs and the Police desk.

When the rumbling stopped, Inspector Morris asked if anyone was injured, fortunately no one was. A detective came from the back office and let us know that there was no one else back there.

The Inspector gave the order to evacuate the Police station. Having the only flashlight, I took the lead and instructed the others to keep hold of the person in front of them and we would go out in a "chain".

As we exited the Police Station, there were people coming from the Church Street side of the building. They told us that the Church Street doors were blocked with debris. I shined my flashlight toward the Plaza and the building was collapsed in front of us. I led the officers and patrons to the doorway of Bordis Bookstore. We were able to go through the store and exit onto Church and Vesey Streets. Another officer and I brought a man, who was bleeding severely from several deep lacerations, to the Post Office building. We cleared the white dust from his wounds and

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Emergency Medical Technicians took him from there. I telephoned my wife and told her that I was fine and was going to help evacuate tower one. When I got to the Austin J. Tobin Plaza, someone told me that he saw the top of tower one shift. I turned and started toward Vesey St. when I saw a photographer heading toward the building. I stopped him and told him to turn back. Just then, tower one began to crumble. We ran into a bank lobby and took cover under a desk. I had taken a floor mat and rolled it up and put it at the base of the door to keep the dust and debris out. The photographer told me that if I had not stopped him, he would be dead.

When the dust cleared we went outside and I headed back toward Church Street. By this time my air supply was gone and I was breathing through a handkerchief.

The radio transmission from the Command Post instructed all P.A.D. officers to regroup at N. Moore St. at West St. I found Officer Ed Finnegan

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PO Robert J. Essex

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
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To: Joseph Morris, Chief of the Department
From: Police Officer Robert J. Esposito #1828
Date: 3/28/2002
Subject: September 11, 2001 (Continued)

on Church St. and we headed toward the Command Post.

At N. Moore St., Sgt. Fred Concepcion asked us to help him set up a perimeter to secure an area around the gymnasium where we were regrouping. We secured construction cones and barricade tape and we closed N. Moore Street to anyone other than emergency personnel.

We were assembled in the gymnasium and informed that we could not go back to the site because building seven was going to fall. After building seven fell, I went with a group of officers to look for survivors. We found none.

It was now sometime at night. Building seven had fallen on my car and Inspector Ciccerelli dismissed me so that I could get a ride home to Staten Island with Detective Paugh.

Signature PO Robert J. Esposito #1828

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

Lt. Gutch

From: P.O. Nichols #1036

Date: 4/1/02

Subject: W.T.C. 9-11-01

On this tragic day I received a phone call from a friend at home after the first plane struck one of the towers. P.O. Rogers also called me to let me know what was happening. I immediately jumped in my car to make my way to the W.T.C. There was heavy traffic everywhere. As I approached the Lincoln Tunnel on 495 E/B involved in a car accident (another vehicle rear-ended me). I quickly exchanged info and made my way to the P.A.T.C. before everything was shut down. By this time P.O. Rivers showed up and P.O. Rogers had all of our equipment ready to go. As we began to make our way to the H.T. Automotive Flayed us down and asked us to escort the cascade system (to replenish Scott Air Paks) to the Path ECU truck located on Barclay and West St. While escorting the VAN through the tunnel it stalled as we exited the tunnel delaying us approx. 15 minutes. From the H.T. Rotary I could see that Tower One was still fully engulfed in flames. We made our way down Hudson St. and over to Westside Hwy. People were running everywhere. As we approached

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From: _____

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the Pedestrian Bridge At Manhattan Community College tower #1 Collapsed. At this point we had to stop due to lack of visibility from smoke, dust, and debris. Hundreds of people were running north so we began to assist whomever needed assistance. Eventually Supervisors mustered everyone possible into the Auditorium of B.M.C.C. The threat of a secondary device forced us down to the gymnasium of B.M.C.C. Due to lack of radio communication, (Then) Inspr. Morris advised me and two other M.C. units to stand by the Command Post. While there we assisted civilians and were assigned various tasks. At this time Sgt. Spinelli met up with us. He was advised by the Command Post to have M.C. units do a check of all Area Hospitals to account for all injured and missing P.A.P.D. Personnel. Throughout the remainder of the day we were advised by the Command Post to escort vital equipment and supplies to the scene. This was done due to security checkpoints and heavy traffic. By approx. 2200hrs. we had grabbed shovels and proceeded to

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Liberty & Church St. with dozens of our Fellow
officers to assist in the Rescue efforts of our
missing comrades.

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P.O. J. Michael #1036
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The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: LT. WALCOTT

From: P.O. PISANO

Date: 3/25/02

Subject: SEPT. 11 WTC ATTACK

ON SEPT. 11 I WAS ASSIGNED TO A TRAFFIC POST ON 40th + 8th AVE WHEN THE ATTACK ON AMERICA HAD COME. WITH IN SECONDS AFTER THE FIRST ATTACK I WAS DISPATCHED WITH SEVERAL OTHER POLICE OFFICER'S VIA BUS TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTER. BY THE TIME WE ARRIVED AT THE SCENE BOTH BUILDINGS WERE INGULFED IN FLAMES AND NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS WERE TUMPLING FROM THE TOWER'S. WE EXITED THE BUS AND UNDER THE DIRECTION OF LT. J. MURPHY RESPONDED TO WEST ST. AND ATTEMPTED TO ENTER BUT WERE UNABLE DUE TO THE FALLING DEBRIS AND JUMPING INDIVIDUALS. AT APPROX 1000 hrs WHILE WE WERE EVACUATING AN APT. BUILDING, THE FIRST TOWER CAME DOWN. THE 2ND BUILDING CAME DOWN AS WE WERE EVACUATING THE HIGH SCHOOL. AFTER THE CALAPSE WE CONTINUED TO ASSIST PEOPLE, LOOKED FOR OTHER P.O.'S AND FINALLY REGROUPED. AT 1715 hrs WE OBSERVED BUILDING SEVEN CALAPSE. ALTHOUGH PAPD SAVED THOUSANDS OF LIVES, I AS WELL AS MY FELLOW COWORKER'S WISH WE COULD HAVE SAVED MANY MORE

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LT. Walcott 4/8/02

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620 W. W. AVE. Rm. 1010

To: Lt. Ed GUTCH
From: P.O. DANIEL KREUSH
Date: 03/19/02
Subject: SEPTEMBER 11th

On 9/11/01, I WAS WORKING A 7x3 TOUR AT THE PABT. AT APPROXIMATELY 0900, EVERYONE ON DUTY WAS TOLD TO 3-40. AT THIS POINT I LEARNED THAT THE WTC WAS STRUCK BY A PLANE. I WAS CHOSEN, AMONG OTHERS TO RESPOND. WE BOARDED A CITY BUS ON 9th AVE. AND WENT DOWNTOWN. WE GOT OFF THE BUS BY THE ENTRANCE TO THE UNDERGROUND PARKING. SGT. McLOUGHLIN TOLD US TO GO TO THE SUBURBAN WITH THOSE WHO FELT THEY COULD USE THE SCOTT PARK WELL, AND DROVE CLOSER TO THE TOWERS. I SAW THE AIRPLANE HIT THE TOWERS WITH FLAMES COMING OUT. SHEETS OF GLASS WERE FALLING TO THE GROUND AND PEOPLE WERE FALLING OUT OF THE BUILDINGS. LT. MURPHY HAD US PULL BACK BECAUSE THE SHEETS OF GLASS WERE FLYING THROUGH THE AIR AND CRASHING TO THE GROUND CLOSER AND CLOSER TO US. WE MOVED BACK HAVING EVERYONE AROUND US DO THE SAME. WHEN THE FIRST TOWER CAME DOWN WE RAN TOWARDS THE BATTERY PARK CITY BUILDINGS. MYSELF, SGT. ROSS AND OTHERS WERE TOLD BY A SUPER IN ONE OF THE BUILDINGS THAT THEY HAD ELDERLY RESIDENTS THAT NEEDED HELP OUT. THE SUPER BROUGHT US UP TO ONE APARTMENT BUT IT WAS ALREADY VACATED. WE WENT BACK OUTSIDE, THEN THE SECOND TOWER FELL. WE RAN AGAIN, AROUND STUYVESANT H.S. AND UP THE JACOB PATH. A LOT OF PABT OFFICERS WERE BY A GYM STATION. WE STAYED THERE AND MORE SHOWED UP. WE WALKED BACK TOWARDS THE TOWERS. BURNING PAPER AND DUST WAS EVERYWHERE. WE WENT TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND WERE UNLOADING BOXES AND STACKING ITEMS IN THE GYM THE REST OF THE DAY.

Respectfully Submitted
Signature Daniel Kreush #1496
4/8/02

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lt. Walcott
From: P.O. Josef Windisch
Date: 3 121 102
Subject: Sept. 11, 2001

On the morning of 9/11/01 I was standing image on sub-mezz. south when we got the radio transmission for all officers to 8-40. A return roll call was held and all officers going down to the WTC site were named. Initially I was not among those named to go, so I went to the police desk and asked to go. Sgt. McLoughlin agreed and told me to go jump in the bus downstairs. When we arrived at the site Sgt. McLoughlin left with one group to get Scott-Pats while another went to the rear of the WTC. I was instructed to remain at that intersection (Vesey & West Broadway), at the foot of the north tower and direct all emergency vehicles over to West St. While directing traffic, I witnessed numerous people jumping out of the north tower onto the plaza. Suddenly, there was a rumble, I looked up and saw the south tower coming down. I began yelling and grabbing the civilians standing there to run north because the debris and dust cloud was coming our way fast. I was able to get myself and everyone else on West Broadway far enough north to escape most of the debris and dust. Just as the dust was beginning to settle, I heard a distress call over the radio. So I then ran back to my original location. I crossed under the footbridge of

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
Signature *Josef Windisch*

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
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To: LT. Walcott
From: P.O. Josef Windisch
Date: 3 / 21 / 02
Subject: Sept. 11, 2001

1 WTC and 7 WTC, but there was no one there besides burning paper, debris and dust ankle deep. When I reached West St. & Vesey St. I saw another PAPD officer who was covered in dust. I helped him over to an open hydrant, where we flushed out our eyes and cleared our throat from the dust particles. Shortly, afterwards there was another loud rumble, I looked up and saw the north tower coming down. Once again, everyone including myself began running north up West St. to flee the falling debris and dust cloud.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Josef Windisch #1087
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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: CHIEF Morris

Re: PO Kevin KACZKA #2025

Date: 04/03/02

Subject: SEPT 11, 2001

ON September 11, 2001 I WAS ASSIGNED TO THE STATEN ISLAND BRIDGES POST 89-3. AT APPROXIMATELY 0905 PO ROMAN AND MYSELF RESPONDED TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTER. ARRIVING AT 0925, AFTER ARRIVING AT THE WTC WE RESPONDED TO THE PORT AUTHORITY MOBILE COMMAND CENTER, LOCATED ON WEST ST BETWEEN VASSEY AND BARCLAY STREETS. SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVING, WE ACCOMMODATED BUNKER GEAR FROM THE NEWARK AIRPORT VAN. IT WAS AT THIS TIME WHILE MUSTERING UP THAT TOWER TWO FELL FORCING ME TO RETREAT INTO AN FDNY HAZMAT TRUCK. WITHIN SECONDS THE TRUCK FILLED WITH SMOKE AND DEBRIS. WHILE IN THE TRUCK I FOUND A RESPIRATOR AND IT WAS THEN THAT I EXITED AND RAN TO SAFETY. AFTER TOWER TWO FELL I WAS AT THE CORNER OF WEST AND WARREN CONCENTRATING ON KEEPING PEOPLE FROM HEADING SOUTH TOWARD THE TOWERS. WHEN TOWER ONE FELL I RETREATED TO N. MOORE ST WITH OTHER PA OFFICERS, WHERE WE ASSISTED IN SETTING UP THE TEMPORARY COMMAND POST.

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PO Kevin Kaczka #2025

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HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: LT. E. GUTCH
From: PO. PETER HERNANDEZ, #88
Date: 04/06/02
Subject: SEPTEMBER 11, 2001.

ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 THE UNDERSIGNED POLICE OFFICER WAS SCHEDULED TO WORK THE 3x11 TOUR. HOWEVER, I WAS OFF FOR A BLOOD BANK DAY.

UPON LEARNING OF THE EVENTS THAT WERE OCCURRING AT THE W.T.C., I RESPONDED TO THE GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE POLICE COMMAND. I WAS THEN PLACED ON A POST FOR CROWD CONTROL THE ENTIRE DAY AND AFTERNOON.

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Respectfully,
PO. Peter Hernandez #88

LT. E. Gutch

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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

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TO: Lt. Gutch
FROM: Richard V De Pietro #1761
DATE: 04/06/2002
SUBJECT: 09/11/2001

On 09/11/2001 I responded from Pt. Pleasant NJ. to the WTC disaster around 1130hrs after stopping at the PATH CMD for equipment. I spent the first few hours with other PATH ESU officers searching the perimeter on the WTC for survivors and than attempted to penetrate the lower levels but was thwarted by the smoke and extrene heat. ESU units continued to handle search and recovery efforts throughout the afternoon.

PATH ESU units PO DePietro,PO McQuade,PO Kuligoski,PO Connors,PO Oberhofer,PO Ed Smith,PO Versage along with PATH units PO Reily,Hennessey,Mueller and PO Jarrett all assisted in the rescue effort of PO Jimeno and PO Mc Coughlin. All of the above mentioned Police Officers were instumental in the movement of tools and materials while fighting the heavy smoke and extreme heat for hours on top of the rubble pile until PO Jimeno was rescued. PO DePietro along with numerous other PA Police Officers assisted in carrying PO Jimeno off the pile to EMS for medical attention. I than responded with the officers to the triage center to be treated for smoke inhalation and heat exhaustion. After medical treatment I walked to the College gym and attempted to rest until the searches were resumed in the morning.

Richard V De Pietro 1761

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HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Morris

From: Sgt. Starn

Date: 4/4/66/42

Subject: 9/11

Sgt.

I Responded To PATH From my Home with the 1st PLATE
Strike unit #1. Lt. O'Neill had as Commander A Bus and we Responded
To the Scene. On the Bus with me were John O'Donnell, Daniel McCabe,
Gary Griffith, Michael Hennessy, Paul Novick, Patrick Callaghan and
Several other PATH officers. We Arrived in the City as unit #1 collapsed.
We left the Bus on West St. and Ran Downtown toward the Dist. Court,
which was Rolling up. We Assisted several people to withdraw cars
Personal. I encountered P.D. Gorman as he was coming up West St. His
Shoulder was injured and he couldn't see due to the Dist. in his eyes.
After assisting him to an Ambulance, we stayed in the College by Auditorium.
We Evacuated to the Gym After a Bomb Scare. At the Gym we Broke up
into Small Groups. O'Donnell, McCabe, Griffith, Hennessy and I Directed Busier Gear
and SBA's with the Assistance of the North Arlington Fire Dept. For the
Remainder of the day, we made Trips to the Scene to Assist in the Search. Due to
confusion and the threat of Damaged Buildings falling we were forced to Retreat
once time. We were on West and Vesey when unit #7 collapsed. The same
Pattern was Repeated for the Remainder of the evening.

Report Log Submitted,

Signature Sgt. Robert John #166

4/8/01

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SUPERVISOR - SUPERIOR

To: Captain Kassimatis
From: P.O. Michael Simons, #879
Date: 3/05/02
Subject: September 11, 2001 terrorist attack – WTC

On September 11, 2001, while on duty at the GWB I was dispatched to the World Trade Center to assist in evacuation after an airplane crashed into tower #1. Upon exiting the Lincoln Tunnel, I realized that a second airplane had slammed into Tower #2. P.O. R. Beatty, #963, was also responding and was behind me in a second patrol car.

Upon arrival at the World Trade Center, we parked our respective vehicles at Vesey and Church Streets; however, as we were going to enter Tower #2, (the first to collapse), I realized the patrol cars would be seriously damaged by the burning debris falling from the upper floors. At this point I told P.O. Beatty that we should move our radio cars to Vesey and West Streets.

After parking at Vesey and West Streets, as we were approaching the West Street side doors to enter Tower #1, several WTC Police Officers already inside the building, on the Main Concourse, shouted for us to "STOP!, LOOK UP!" Thinking debris was going to hit us, we looked up to see people jumping from the upper floors of the building, some individually, some in pairs holding hands. We then realized that we had to time our run into the tower in order to avoid being hit by human bodies that were coming down and exploding on impact with the ground. Within seconds, I approximated some 13 suicides.

We entered Tower #1, met up with some WTC and PATH officers, and followed them to obtain Scott Air Packs and fire helmets. After obtaining the equipment, P.O. Beatty and I proceeded to assist P.O. Sue Keane (BT), who had been working by herself, in the evacuation effort at the mezzanine level, stairwell "B" of Tower #1. At one point during this evacuation effort, I looked up and saw the metal frame of the stairwell start to buckle at the top, and yelled "THIS BUILDING IS COMING DOWN!" This was immediately followed by a tremendous rumble and an extremely high force wind that pushed me into the stairwell, slamming the metal door shut behind me, three officers, five firefighters and twenty to twenty-five civilians. I could hear the debris piling up against the closed door, trapping us inside. A thick, choking cloud of smoke and dust of concrete and jet fuel enveloped us, preventing me from seeing anything.

At this time, unable to see anything in front of me, I called out for my partner Richie, "RICHIE, RICHIE, WHERE ARE YOU?" He responded, "I'M OVER HERE, I'M OKAY." My first priority was to now get myself and this group of people out of the tower as quickly and as safely as possible.

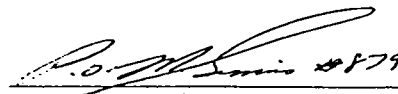
The Fire Dept. wanted to go up the stairs. People started to follow them. I said to the firefighter, "WE CAN'T GO UPSTAIRS, WE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE. THE SECOND TOWER'S GONNA COME DOWN." He responded, "PORT AUTHORITY, DON'T ARGUE WITH ME, THIS IS A FIRE DEPARTMENT GIG. WE'RE TAKING OVER." I shouted back, "IF WE DON'T GET OUT OF HERE WE ARE ALL GOING TO DIE." Civilians were now looking between the Firefighter and me for direction. The firefighter got on his radio, advising his command of our location, "WE'RE TRAPPED IN STAIRWELL 'B', TOWER #1."

I heard next to me was a male who was having difficulty breathing. He was also having difficulty walking and he was coughing badly. I grabbed hold of him, physically supporting him and helping him walk, and I started sharing my oxygen with him. While assisting this man, we heard a voice yelling out, "I THINK I FOUND A WAY OUT, FOLLOW MY LIGHT!" I started feeling the way down the walls, and people started grabbing on to each other, forming a human chain, following the light down the stairwell and then back up, finally emerging on the plaza.

Upon exiting to the plaza, an unknown civilian said, "OFFICER, DO YOU NEED HELP WITH THIS MAN?" I said, "YES, PLEASE." The elderly man then put an arm over each of us, and we dragged him to the first ambulance we saw (Vesey and Barclay Streets).

At this time, I heard the same tremendous rumble as the first time, and turned around to see Tower #2 collapsing and an enormous cloud of dust coming down upon me. I ran north on Church Street, trying to breathe through the thick dust, not sure how many blocks I ran, turning east onto an unknown street. A woman outside a door asked me, "Do you need water, are you okay?" I said, "I need a phone. I have to call my wife and tell her I'm okay. I know she's watching this on TV." She said "Come in and use my phone." Upon entering, I realized this was a daycare center, and I saw about fourteen or fifteen children. I told her she had to leave immediately. "TAKE THE CHILDREN, LEAVE RIGHT NOW, AND KEEP GOING NORTH TOWARD THE GWB," to which she immediately complied. I tried to call home, and found the telephone lines were inoperable.

Shortly afterward, I found Captain Kassimatis on West Street.. He told me that we had a staging area set up in a school nearby and directed me to it. We then assembled at the school, awaiting further instructions.



P.O. M. Simons, #879 GWB

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The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

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To: Lt. Gutch
From: P.O. Colin Rogers #308
Date: 4/22/02
Subject: Actions taken on 09/11/01

On 09/11/01 I was off from work on a RDO. I live in Hoboken and saw smoke coming from the North tower of the WTC from my apartment window. The news reported a plane had struck the tower. A few minutes later a second plane hit the south tower. I contacted P.O. Jeff Nichols, my partner in the Motorcycle Unit, and told him I was going into work. He told me to wait for him and we would go into together. I got to Headquarters (PATC) and began to get the motorcycles and First-Aid supplies ready. A short time later P.O. Silfredo Rivera made his way in and the three of us would respond together. P.O. Nichols arrived after getting involved in an accident with his car.

As we were getting ready to leave, an automotive Shop supervisor asked us if they could bring the Cascade System for the PATH ESO which refills the Scott-Air Packs. CPD stated yes they needed it and to bring it to the corner of

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To: H. Gutch

From: P.O. Colin Rogers #308

Date: 1 / 1 /

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West and Barclay Streets. The equipment was loaded on the van and we proceeded towards the Holland Tunnel. Half-way through the tunnel the VAN stalled. As the three of us exited the tunnel, the van stalled again for about two minutes. The North Tower was still standing at this time. The van got started and we made our way south bound on Hudson St. Thousands of people were heading North bound on the City streets. We made a right turn on the street that separates (BMCC) Manhattan Com. College towards West St. We turned left onto the Westside Highway heading towards Barclay St. As we reached the pedestrian bridge on Chambers St. Tower 1 had begun to fall. We pulled off to side as hundreds of people and vehicles headed North. We could not see anything due to the heavy dust and debris in the air. We helped bring the injured to Ambulances and eventually met up with PAAD supervisors.

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HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lieutenant Gutch

From: P.O. Kevin Capozzi #1321 C.P.P.

Date: 04 / 17 / 02

Subject: My response to terrorist incident on 09/11/01

The undersigned P.O. worked the 3x11 tour the night prior to this and is assigned to the following work chart: PO#2/POS.B and reports the following: On 09/11/01 my home phone rang about 8:55am. I woke up and answered it to hear my finace upset on the other end of the phone. She proceeded to tell me what had just taken place a few minutes prior. This was the 1st attack. I turned on the t.v. to the news to see just what it was she was telling me. I talked to her for a few minutes and explained to her that I was going to go into work early because I figured help was needed. It was then I witnessed the 2nd attack at approx. 9:00am. I couldn't believe what I had just saw. It was at this time I ended my phone conversation and started to get ready to get into work. I packed enough clothes for a week because I new this was going to be bad and had no idea what to expect once I got into work. I tried to call the C.P.D. but could not get through. I secured my home and also had to drop off pet's at my mother's house because I didn't know when I would be coming back at this time it must have been approx. 10:00am. Right before I left my home I tried to call again and still could not get through to C.P.D., it was at this I observed the South Tower collapse. I wasn't sure where to report so I figured, report to were C.P.D. assigned you for that day. I reported to Staten Island Bridges at approx. 11:30 am.

It took me over an hour to go what would normally take 20 minutes due to the stopped traffic all over the roadways. I was able to get through all this traffic with the help of a Union County Police Officer escorting me. Once at the Goethals Bridge I helped on the desk for about an hour and began to compile a list of all the Police Officers who lived in the area and reported to the command for further instructions. After this I was told to cover down the Bayonne Bridge. I was partnered up with P.O. Veradi and this is where we would spend approx. the next 19 hours. Over the course of these hours we handled crowd control problems, people trying to get a glimpse of what was going on, press photographers and concerned family members awaiting loved ones coming back over the bridge. Bridge searches due to numerous calls we had for alleged terrorist activities at the Bayonne Bridge and perimeter searches of Port Authority property.

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Signature P.O. Kevin Capozzi #1321 C.P.P.

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The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lt. Gutch

From: P.O. Kevin Capozzi #1321 C.P.P.

Date: 04 / 17 / 02

Subject: CONTINUATION FROM PAGE 1- My Response to terrorist incident on 09/11/01

We also played the role of therapist for people who worked over and by the World Trade Center once they started to walk over the bridge and their awaiting family members, some were to distraught to talk and others voluntarily came to us and told us what had happened and where they came from. In my 9 year career only once have I seen what I call the "look of the zombie" and that look I learned real fast working at Kennedy Int. Airport for the Flight 800 crash. Seeing it on the 11th I knew this was bad thing going on. We observed building 7 collapse from this bridge also. You could see over to the World Trade Center from this Bridge. We had done a lot of things this day and I am sure there are things that I am leaving out but this is what I remember the most. I hope this helps you LT. Thanks, Kevin

Respectfully Submitted,

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P.O. K. Capozzi #1321

(A. Gutch 4/18/02)

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April 14, 2002

TO: LT. GUTCH


FROM: P.O. E. LUONGO #907

SUBJECT: WORLD TRADE CENTER RESPONSE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

I responded to the World Trade Center from Newark Airport on September 11, 2001 after loading extra Scott packs and other equipment into vans. I then grabbed bunker gear and another Scott pack and got into a sector car with Sgt. Berouski, P.O. Pat Versage and P.O. Bill Wilson along with others from N.I.A. who took other means of transportation, (P.O. John McClain, P.O. Tony Gotoullo, P.O. Brain Faustina).

We pulled up on West Street and Vesey Street and both towers were still standing. After suiting up in my bunker gear and donning my Scott pack I headed towards Tower One (as per radio transmissions that were being set up). The people that were jumping from the upper floors stalled me for a moment. Some holding hands, trying to escape the smoke and heat. People were exiting the building injured and disoriented. I assisted a dazed woman up West Street to safety from falling bodies and debris. I handed the woman off to EMS and headed back towards tower one. When I reached the North walkway I heard a loud noise like a very loud click and then a piece of tower two came loose and then the building began to fall. I turned and began to run, North on West Street with everyone else. My ability to run was hampered due to the weight of my firefighting gear and Scott pack. When the dust cloud and material caught up to me it was like being consumed. It was so dark and you could not hear a thing. I stayed calm and was able to get my air mask on largely because of my training. I began to run again for a few feet until I tripped over a NYPD officer. After helping him to his feet we began to breathe together on my air until we made it out of the dust cloud. I passed some people in the cloud who did not know which way to go to get out. I began to push and point some people in the right direction. After a little while I heard people yelling for Port Authority to muster in an area. Several officers said they lost their gun belts in the area where they were changing into their bunker gear. I went to the area where they said they were and retrieved two guns and keys. By this time we were standing in a large room waiting for orders when Chief Morris came in yelling there may be a secondary device. We left that room and began to again run north towards BMCC where we mustered again.

*NOTE: I would like to thank the training staff of the ARFF rescue at building 269 JFK.


4/18/02

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lieutenant Edward Gutch

From: PO William Connors #953

Date: 04 / 10 / 2002

Subject: September 11, 2001 response to the World Trade Center Page #1 of 3

September 11, 2001 was my RDO. I learned of the terror attack via network news and responded to the JSQ PATH Police Desk. PO E. McQuade and myself grabbed our ESU gear/kit bags and boarded a PA maintenance van at the JSQ Kiss and Ride area. We then responded directly to West and Vesey St in NYC. Truck #1 was located on the north east corner. The time was approximately 11am. Both of the WTC towers were collapsed and the streets were covered with debris. Building #7 was still standing but burning. We were instructed to respond to a temporary command post at St. John's College on West Street. PO R. Cantelmo and myself were relocating Truck 1 to the temporary command post when a NYPD officer advised us that a secondary explosive device was found in a school across the street from this location. (This report was later found to be false.) We transmitted the report over the PATH radio band and were informed to relocate to the CUNY school gym on West and North Moore Street. We relocated Truck 1 to the temporary command post at this location.

I then joined Sgt. Flynn, PO Kuligoski, PO Barzydlo and PO Toth. We donned Scott airpicks and searched the perimeter of the WTC complex. We approached the complex from the north side via Barclay Street. Building 7 was burning and we spoke with a FDNY Chief who had his men holed up in the US Post Office building. He informed us that the fires in Building 7 were uncontrollable and that its collapse was imminent. We observed several PAPD vehicles in the area. ESU 5308 was at the bottom of the Barclay Street ramp just short of the inner doors under building 7. A truck was stopped in front of 5308 with its' hazard lights flashing. There were no fires inside the loading dock at this time but we could hear explosions deep inside. We checked the vehicles for occupants. They were both empty. We then drove 5308 to the top of the ramp (debris prevented us from recovering it further) and recovered two hat shields from the car seats. We also observed the ESU hazmat van on W. Broadway just north of Barclay Street. We then continued the perimeter search. There were crushed and burn vehicles all around the complex. A postal official approached us and stated that he believed that the postal vehicle may have had secondary explosive devices inside them as they all showed signs of internal explosions.

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HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lieutenant Edward Gutch

From: PO William Connors #953

Date: 04 / 10 / 2002

Subject: September 11, 2001 response to the World Trade Center Page #2 of 3

A closer inspection revealed that the Postal trucks were all damaged in the same place, near the fuel tanks, we then ruled out secondary devices. We continued our search on Church Street. The street was covered with debris but the east side sidewalk was passable. Building 5 and 4 were still standing but heavily damaged. Near the intersection of Church and Liberty Streets debris from Tower 2 was imbedded in the street (What we assumed was the top shell of Tower 2 was inverted and standing embedded in the roadway). We continued our search on Liberty Street but had to head further south to Albany Street due to debris blocking Liberty Street. We then crossed West Street and entered the World Financial Center complex (West Street was impassable due to debris). We headed North through the complex and observed damage but no victim/survivors. We exited the complex on Vesey Street and headed east to West Street. We observed an ESU truck (JFK) just south of Vesey Street on West Street. A NYPD officer informed us that a PAPD ESU officer was being recovered on the west side of West Street just North of Vesey Street. We responded to the area as PO G. Howard's remains were being removed in a body bag.

We then proceeded to the N. Moore Command Post and reported our observations to the command staff. We regrouped at this location and responded back to the WTC complex with PO R. Depietro, PO M. Fong and P. L. Oberhoffer. All officers listed responded to Vesey and West Streets and offloaded equipment from the JFK ESU truck and returned to the N Moore command post. By now building 7 had collapsed and we responded back to the Barclay Street ramp. Vehicle 5308 was under the rubble of building 7 and was unrecoverable. The hazmat van was lying on its left side but clear of debris. We recovered equipment from the van and returned to the N. Moore command post for an inventory of available equipment. We then responded to the area of West Street by the North Projection. We worked with NYPD, FDNY and construction workers clearing the street of debris and searching for victim/survivors. We recovered several bodies from this area and carried them to the Temporary Morgue in the lobby of 3 World Financial Center (American Express).

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The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

To: Lieutenant Edward Gutch

From: PO William Connors #953

Date: 04 / 10 / 2002

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Sometime later in the evening we received a radio transmission that there were two PAPD officers alive but trapped somewhere in the debris of Tower 2. We responded in a van to Liberty Street just west of Church Street. I met Sgt. K. Kohlman at this location and we began climbing the pile that was the remnants of Tower 2 with FDNY, NYPD and the PAPD officers listed above. We were driven back by smoke and heat several times. Building 4 was still standing but on fire. Debris was still falling from Building 4. Fires were burning beneath the rubble in Tower 2 and occasionally came up behind us as we climbed. We continued working on the pile and assisted in the rescue of PO W. Jimeno. PO DePietro and PO Kuligoski accompanied PO Jimeno off the pile.

The rest of us remained working on the pile until approximately 1 am on 09/12/2002. Sgt. J. McLoughlin was still being extricated but we were too exhausted to be of any help and were relieved by NYPD and FDNY members. Sgt. McLoughlin was successfully rescued later that morning.

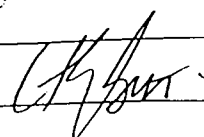
The above is an account of the events of September 11, 2001 as to the best of my recollection on April 10 2002.

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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ
GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE & BUS STATION

Memorandum



PORT AUTHORITY POLICE

To: Joseph Morris- Chief of Department
From: John V. Kassimatis
Date: 03/20/02
Subject: EVENTS OF 9/11/01

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On September 11, 2001 I was on duty as the Executive Lieutenant at the PABT. At approx. 0835 hours I was on the phone with the PA Law Dept. I was speaking with D. Darcy's secretary about scheduling time during the day for arbitration the next day. When she screamed on the phone " Oh my god, its an earthquake, the building is swaying, she screamed and the phone when dead.

As I always do I had a radio set on News Radio 88 AM and as soon as the phone went dead the radio announced that a plane had just struck the WTC.

I immediately went into Inspector Fields office and advised him of same. I then responded to the desk and advised the desk sergeant to have an all hands recall to the desk. I told the sho to go to 9th Ave and to commandeer the first city bus he saw coming down 9th Ave. Inspector Fields and I my self, Lt Murphy, Sgt Parlatto, Sgt McLaughlin, Sgt Feeley, Sgt Ross and approx. 20 Pos responded to the WTC via city bus with 5350 as an escort. While in route to the WTC we saw and heard the second plane hit tower 2.

We arrived to the corner of Barclay and west Broadway to a scene of burning debris, bodies and body parts everywhere and debris falling, I looked up and saw at least 30 floors on fire in tower one and many floors on fire in tower 2 with a lot of heavy smoke.

Inspector Fields ordered Lt Murphy to gather all PA Police personnel and establish a staging area north of Vesey st. and West Street.

We then saw the Mayor and PC responding down Barclay Street and we advised them that Vesey was dangerous with falling debris and bodies they drove down Barclay to west.

Inspector Fields and I then responded to VIP drive at 1 WTC and with the caution of a minefield we were able to enter the lobby through the broken windows. We reported to Chief William Hall who was by the communication center.

We conferred with chief Hall and advised him that NYC OEM and the Mayor were looking for PAPD senior staff and he responded to 7WTC.

We then conferred with Inspector Norris, Captain Whitaker, and Sgt Devona.

We observed that on the Galleria level (Mezzanine) where staircases B&C were emptying out there was a bottleneck of people trying to get to the motor stairs to evacuate the Tower. Inspector Fields and myself responded to that location and supervised the evacuation at that point. People coming out of staircase C and walking towards the motor stairs would see the horrors on the plaza and against the glass walls and they would go into shock and freeze thus impeding the flow of persons exiting staircases B&C.

We would help them along advise them not to look out physically help them to the motor stairs and down.

Many PA personnel and volunteers assisted us; among them were E. Butcher, PO Croce TRB, and several Secret service agents.

I cannot put a time line on how long we were there assisting and supervising the evacuation.

People who were exiting staircase B advised us that Police on upper floors were requesting new Scott bottles; we contacted Sgt McLaughlin who picked up bottles at the Police desk and was enroute to our location.

At this time I was about 25 ft north of the motor stairs with my back to the plaza when I started to hear this roar that just became louder and louder and louder, I remember looking over my left shoulder and looking up at the Chandeliers and they became to shake and begin to break apart. Then lots of debris started to rain on the plaza, I remember Inspector Fields yell "run for your lives" I looked over my shoulder at the plaza as I started to run west towards the west street side of the Mezzanine level when it became pitch black, the loudest crashing sound I ever heard I looked toward the motor stairs and saw people being picked up and slammed against the concrete wall, the glass walls behind me broke and crashed in followed by debris and steel and concrete.

My life flashed in front of me and I was preparing to meet my maker, the force of the impact lifted me and I believe it carried me to the north wall of tower one on that level, believing that I would be cut to ribbons by the debris field behind me. My entire life ran through my head, awaiting what I thought was my demise.

I found myself on the ground next to what I discovered was the glass north wall of tower one it was pitch black, I could not see, I could barely hear and my mouth was filled with "sand" I could not breathe. My left ankle and knee hurt a lot and my left shoulder, I felt something or someone on my back. I discovered it was a TRB PO Croce, I started to yell out for Inspector Fields yelling Larry, Larry and I could hear like it was way off in the distance someone calling Kaz, Kaz. Fields and I were able to join up and I asked PO Croce if he had a flashlight, which he did. (That light saved us all) he shined the light and

We heard other voices it turned out to be 2 Secret service agents. We all thought another plane had hit the plaza. We decided to form a human chain by holding each other's belts. This was done by feeling and shouting we could not see each other. One of the agents shouted for the flashlight and it was passed up from Croce to me to Fields and up to the first guy.

We began to move carefully over the rubble and debris we moved towards the inside edge of the Mezzanine then the lead person shouted that he thought he found the metal rail and it was somewhat intact. We all turned left and followed the rail to the motor stairs many times having to climb over debris and having to find the rail again. We finally got to the motor stairs. We shouted to each other that this was the motor stairs area and to be careful descending to the elevator lobby level, we had to climb over debris to get down the motor stairs, we were on our hands and knees much of the time.

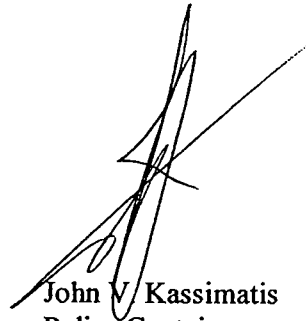
When we got to the lobby level with the flashlight we could see that the plaza had collapsed into the stores and path plaza area on the other side of the revolving doors at that time we heard shouts of help from the debris next to the revolving doors, Croce myself and Fields went there and pulled out of the rubble 2 NYPD supervisors who later we learned was Capt Pearson and his Lieutenant. They joined the rest of us. We discovered that there was only one way out that was through the local elevator lobby that was between the 2 sky lobby elevator shafts so it was totally protected from debris crashing into the building from tower 2 and the plaza. We exited tower one on to West Street, it looked like a gray snow blizzard we all cleared out noses and mouths and tried to clear our eyes. We then scurried north on West Street the gray snow was knee deep as I approached the end of VIP drive, I encountered an unconscious female approx 35 years old on the ground and bleeding, I wasn't able to pick her up but I was able to drag her up West Street when I got the area under the foot bridge at Vesey Street I heard that roar again next to us was an NYPD Suburban, running I placed the woman in the back seat with the assistance of unknowns and then jumped into the drivers seat, the vehicle filled up quickly with people piling in and on to each other. I placed the vehicle in gear and made it to the front of the Verizon building when the debris shock wave caught us and buried the vehicle. We sat in the vehicle and we could hear the debris piling up most of it behind us. After a period of time it became quiet and the vehicle was still running I put it in 4 wheel drive low and started to rock it into the debris in front of us and then place it in reverse and do the same, I don't remember how many times I did that but then the front of the vehicle broke through the debris and we saw daylight and we moved forward I drove I believe 2 blocks north and the vehicle stopped, we all got out and I help take the unconscious woman to a nearby ambulance.

A fireman with a hose line hosed me down and I had my eyes looked at by EMS and Oxygen was put on me for a period of time.

I then was able to move on, sprained angle and shoulder and I hooked up with Inspector Fields and Morris and other PA Staff and we went to Manhattan Comm. College to establish a command post and base of operations. I remained there.

I am Honored and Privileged to have worked that day with over 200 Port Authority Police Officers who selflessly responded that day and that I will always remember and honor the 37 who did not return.

I respectfully submit this report:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John V. Kassimatis". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "J" and "K".

John V. Kassimatis
Police Captain
Commanding Officer
George Washington and
Bus Station

To: Joseph Morris, Chief of Department
From: Sergeant Ronald Sulewski
Date: May 26, 2002
Subject: Response to Terrorist Attack-September 11, 2001
Ref: AMOF 64-01 Terrorist Attack September 11, 2001

At about 0845 hours on September 11 I was in my normal position at Newark Airport-construction sergeant. I was driving North on Brewster Rd. when I was stopped by a south-bound truck driver who stated an airplane had just hit the World Trade Center. I moved forward a little with the police car and I observed smoke coming from one of the towers. I called the desk via radio as nothing had come over the air. I was then informed that the report was just then coming in about the hit.

I returned quickly to Bldg. 10 and was told by the T.C. to mobilize. A bus was to be obtained and a group of officers along with myself, Lt. Podalak and Capt. Albin would be Newark Airport's response to the expected rescue effort. I was told Sgt. Borowski had already left for the site.

Bunker gear and Scott air packs were loaded into the motor vehicle inspectors van and John McDevitt and Peter Kuhn were assigned the vehicle. P.O. Yamka responded with the Fire Marshall's jeep and P.O. Ludlow provided our escort for the bus.

Since all the major roads were already jammed, P.O. Ludlow used his wide knowledge of Jersey City to get our group to the Holland Tunnel via local roads.

Once we were in NYC we tried to get our group as reasonably close to the area as we could and look for our command post we parked the bus and took whatever gear we could with us.

As we walked through the streets we became inundated with fine ash and walked through inches of it, as it was everywhere.

It seemed almost as soon as we arrived that the tower with the T.V. antenna on it, tower 1, began to collapse in our presence creating a huge ball of dust and debris. Our group was advised to seek shelter immediately. We ran about a block taking as many civilians with us as we could and we were motioned into the lobby of an office building just moments before the dust cloud covered the area.

I believe we stayed briefly in the building until we were informed of a possible gas leak nearby and had to flee. We proceeded northbound to another building.

Here, we met with Lt. Honig and Chief Hall, among others.

We spent some time here in their auditorium, taking a census and awaiting further instructions.

When those instructions came we moved north again to, I believe, a CCNY campus. This had a large gym where we would spend the balance of the day.

Other personnel from other agencies began to arrive as well as large quantities of supplies. We unloaded arriving trucks, vans, and buses.

This area would apparently become our staging area if the order were given to respond to the site. While we waited we again took a census to make sure everyone we brought was still with us. We also broke in five officer squads with a sergeant or lieutenant in charge.

Throughout the evening officers from other commands would come in from the site for rest. Sgt. Borowski, whom we had not seen for the entire day thankfully walked in late afternoon.

As evening turned into night, it was determined that the WTC site was too hot to work on and that we would be sent back to our facilities. The original bus that we came in could not be located and we returned to NIA via another bus.

Our final instructions were to return to return to NIA in the morning and secure it.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sgt. Ronald Sulewski". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with a large initial 'S' and a distinct 'h' at the end.

Sgt. Ronald Sulewski

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
HAND-WRITTEN MEMORANDUM

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To: Insp. McClaney
From: Sgt. Schaefer
Date: 6 11 102
Subject: Sept. 11, 2001

On Sept 11, 2001, I was in the command post for U.N.C.A. at BLDG. 213. I heard of the aircraft hitting Tower 2 and immediately responded back to BLDG. 269. I conferred with my fellow supervisor and we decided to send as many radios as possible to the WTC. I immediately contacted Kensing Veece's office to request a Bus and Driver to transport PO's down to the WTC.

I asked PO's to gather Buster gear and Scott Parks and load them on the Bus. I got my Jeep and Lt. M. Murphy and as George Talam got in and we responded as quickly as possible down to the WTC. We were stopped at the entrance to the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel as Tower 2 had just come down blocking the tunnel. I immediately drove to the Brooklyn Bridge through side streets and parked by the foot of the bridge. We acquired a box of paper masks and started distributing them to people walking away

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from the WTC as we were running forward it. I spotted 2 of our Det. S-5 Wheeler and F. Fibero by City Hall asked if they were alright and when everyone could be. We gave them masks and once we were assured they were alright we proceeded toward the WTC. I then saw what appeared to be a PA Police Patch on someone near an ambulance we were approaching. P.D. Fitzpatrick a C/P working at the WTC that day was being helped by E.M.S. He appeared OK but confused not knowing what to do or where to go. I told P. Latimer to take him back to our Jeep and Lt. Murphy and myself would continue into the WTC. Lt. Murphy & myself finally reached SWTC after several failed attempts from other direction due to falling debris blocking our way. We attempted to enter SWTC from Church & Vesey.

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From: _____

Date: 1 / 1

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The Bldg was on fire with flames coming out of all the windows and police and fire trucks crashed all around us. I was trying to convince St. Murphy to go deeper with me into SWK but after some loud crashes and collapses St. Murphy convinced me it was not safe and would after withdraw. we went back to meet PO Latimer and check on PO Fitzpatrick. I decided we should try to find our command post if we had eyes and get PO Fitzpatrick there so they would know he was alright. I called SWK Police Desk (This was after several hours) and told them to call CPD and tell them we had PO Fitzpatrick and that he was alright. We then found out from Joe Morris who we ran into while looking for more of our PO's that the Command Post was on West Street near the College. We responded there and assisted from

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that point on. I drove back into
the WTC area several times trying
to P/W PD's that were there and
helping sets find these cars, they
had left behind while fleeing.
After being down there 16 Hours
we returned.

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Sgt Robert Schaffer
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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

Memorandum

TO: Lieutenant Edward Gutch
FROM: Detective Robert Fuchs
DATE: March 21, 2002
SUBJECT: Response to Terrorist Attack-September 11, 2001



REFERENCE:

COPY TO:

On September 11, 2001, the undersigned detective after learning of an aircraft hitting one of the World Trade Center Towers responded to said facility, along with Det. ESPOSITO. As the undersigned proceeded to the World Trade Center along Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, a second aircraft hit Tower #2.

As we were proceeding to the Trade Center, we were monitoring the radio and instructions were being transmitted indicating the command post was being set up on Vesey Street. When we arrived at the WTC we attempted to park on Barklay Street. As we approached West Broadway, a NYPD Lieutenant told us we could not proceed due to aircraft parts blocking the road.

Detective ESPOSITO was operating the vehicle and started to back the car up in hope of finding a parking space. At this point, I started to hear a tremendous roar. The NYPD Lieutenant who prevented us from proceeding west on Barklay St. was now running past our vehicle yelling, "a third plane has hit the towers" telling us to run. We later learned the roar was tower # 2 collapsing. At this time, we could see numerous Fireman and Police personnel turning the corner from West Broadway onto Barklay St. running past us instructing us to run.

The undersigned turned to Det. ESPOSITO and told him to get out of the vehicle and run. The undersigned and Det. ESPOSITO exited the vehicle and started to run away from the tower complex. As I was running, I turned and observed debris falling and flying through the air. A large cloud of dust was following our path and eventually overtook the undersigned. I became completely engulfed by this cloud, which totally impaired my hearing and vision making it impossible for me to continue running.

A short time later, I fell to one knee unable to catch my breath due to inhaling the dust and debris surrounding me. As I was on the ground, I observed I was close to the curb. I got myself up and attempted to find an entrance to a nearby building.

As I was in the process of locating a shelter, I came upon a young woman who was in distress having difficulty breathing. I was able to fit a cloth around her face in an attempt to filter the dust and debris, which was now dissipating. I walked the women to an area where she was able to continue on her own.

Det. Robert Fuchs #38

Det. Robert Fuchs #38
J.F.K.I.A.

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Memorandum

When I was walking back toward the WTC, I noticed a NYPD vehicle. At this time, I entered the vehicle and started having difficulty breathing. Once the dust further dissipated, the vehicle was driven to a safe area a few blocks away. At that point, my breathing became more labored and I was experiencing discomfort in my chest. I was taken to Bellevue Hospital where I was treated and released. After departing Bellevue Hospital, I was transported to Manhattan Community College where I met Detective ESPOSITO again, at approx. 2200 hrs I returned to J.F.K.

Det. Robert Fuchs #38

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Det. R. Fuchs #38". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and "F".

J.F.K. / C.C.P.U.

THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

Memorandum



TO: Edward Gutch, Police Lieutenant
FROM: Stephen Prospero
DATE: March 25, 2002
SUBJECT: WTC - September 11, 2001

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On September 11, 2001, I was scheduled to attend a PeopleSoft class on the 78th floor of 1 WTC with Arlene Grampp from Police Headquarters. The class was scheduled at 0830 hours. The instructor started at approximately 0840 hours and soon after a loud bang occurred followed by the tower shaking violently. I immediately stood up and announced the situation was not a good one and told everyone we were leaving. I entered the hallway and looked down the corridor toward the elevator banks. It was full of smoke and debris. I informed everyone we would have to take the other stairway, which I believe was Stairway A. The area was littered with the suspended ceiling tiles and light fixtures. At the entrance to the stairwell I noticed the windows were blown in and two injured people. One female and one male were burned badly and appeared to be in shock. They were dazed and asking for help. I assigned each of them to two teams of two unknown men. I informed them to make sure they get down. They agreed and took control of the injured.

I entered the stairway and attempted to call the CPD on my cell phone. The connection to PO Accardi was not a good one and he could not hear me. I left the stairway on approximately Floor 75, entered an office, and called the CPD on a landline. I spoke to PO Zappulla who informed me a plane had hit the building and that there was a lot of fire on the floors above and that I should evacuate immediately. I told him I would and we reentered the stairway. There was a smell of smoke in some locations as the fire doors opened on various floors to allow more people to enter the stairway. I attempted to keep people calm on the way down explaining the difference between this event and the 1993 bombing, i.e. the smoke was above us this time, the battery operated emergency lights installed were operating and the fluorescent line on the stairs would lead us out if the lights were to go out. People were nervous but there was no panic.

I first saw firefighters climbing our stairs at approximately floor 25 and PA Police (PO B. Pikaard, PO C. Kellinger, PO P. Lucas and PO J. Hall), at approximately floor 24. We exited the tower on the Mezzanine Level from the center stairway turned left towards the Plaza to the escalator leading to the Lobby Level. At the top of that escalator, we saw Inspector L. Fields and then Lieutenant J. Kassimatis. They asked where we were coming from, when I told them we were on 78, they filled me in as best they could. I asked where

the command post was set up, but they told me to continue moving and exit the building. I went down the escalator, through the lobby doors to the PATH escalator area. We were directed behind the escalators and then past the Vesey Street doors down the hallway towards the subway. At the escalator area I quickly spoke to Nelson Chanfrau and saw Sgt. M. Duane near WTC Post 5. We were lead up the escalator near the Warner Brothers store where I saw PO D. LeClaire and PO A. Greenstein. I was told to exit at the Borders Book store exit. There, a NYC female Sergeant, wearing a windbreaker instructed me that Manhattan was being evacuated and that I should "not look up, don't turn around, just head for the Brooklyn Bridge." Her urgency was compelling. So we crossed the street where at Fulton and Church I turned around and saw both towers engulfed in flames. We walked up Fulton Street when Tower 2 collapsed. We escaped the debris cloud by leaving Manhattan, crossing the Brooklyn Bridge. I was unable to return to Manhattan, so I stayed the night in Brooklyn at the home of PO M. Boyles and returned to the CPD the next morning by NYC subway and PATH.

Stephen Prospero
Equipment Sergeant
Police Headquarters

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Memorandum



TO: Chief Joseph Morris
FROM: Detective Salvatore Piro
DATE: March 13, 2002
SUBJECT: INVOLVEMENT AND RESPONSE ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

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On the morning of September 11, 2001 the reporting detective who had originally taken a personal day responded from home as soon as the first plane hit the North Tower. While monitoring the car radio, it was disclosed that a second plane had hit the South Tower and at that point it was learned that it was the result of a Terrorist Attack and that the city was in total lock down.

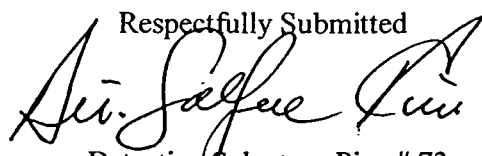
At this point, the reporting detective while driving through the back roads of Jersey City, observed the devastation to the World Trade Center from the result of this heinous act. I could not believe my eyes. At this point, the reporting detective raced to the Tech Center. The reporting detective, jumped into an unmarked vehicle with another person who I can't recall, and raced to the scene.

At this time, the South Tower had just collapsed and we arrived on West Street. It was total chaos and people were running, screaming and bleeding. At this point, the reporting detective started running down West Street towards the World Trade Center. I made it as far as the old parking garage near VIP Drive and I could not believe my eyes of the destruction. I remember looking around and seeing firemen and civilians running towards and away from the buildings and our Police Command Vehicle backing down West Street. There was debris still falling from the North Tower and there was a lot of white dust making visibility limited. At this point, I was running for cover to avoid getting hit with any debris or people. I remember seeing human remains scattered in numerous places on the ground and people jumping from the North Tower hitting against fallen debris as well as the ground. At this point, I remember looking up and seeing people holding on to the outside of the building and I distinctively remember seeing someone with a white curtain or sheet waiving it out the window. At that point, I heard a low sounding boom and the smoke intensified. There was more debris falling and as I heard a big roar, I saw Tower One coming down. At this point, I was running down West Street with huge amounts of dust and wind surrounding me. I just kept running.

The dust started to clear and I saw Detective Michael deMello with Detective Ronald Nafey and Police Officer Thomas Grogan. The reporting detective along with Detective deMello provided first aid to Detective Nafey and Police Officer Grogan, who were inside the Trade Center when the South Tower collapsed. At this

point, Detective Sergeant William Zika, stated that all police personnel are to regroup inside Styvasant High School. Once inside, there was a report of a gas leak, which caused us to run again. It was later determined that there was no gas leak. At that point, everyone was in total devastation of what just occurred.

I hope that this information is helpful to you; this is all that I remember of the events of that day.

Respectfully Submitted
 #73
Detective Salvatore Piro # 73

TO: Lt. Edward Gutch
FROM: P.O. Raymond N. Maniscalco, JFK Airport
DATE: March 12, 2002
SUBJECT: The September 11th Attacks

On the morning of September 11th I was working a 6 x 2 tour at JFK Airport, hack plain clothes and had been on duty since 0300 that morning when the hack team was called back by the tour commander Lt. Bill Hanley. I was directed to respond to the World Trade Center along with my partner P.O. Clive Madden, Supervisor Sgt. John Rienzi and Lt. Dan Carbonaro.

We drove to the WTC via the Belt Parkway, the Gowanus Expressway and through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel. Upon exiting the Battery Tunnel we arrived on West Street and had to travel northbound in the southbound lane to avoid fallout from the aircraft explosions which had littered the streets with debris and human remains.

We parked our vehicle on West Street opposite Tower 1 and upon exiting the vehicle proceeded toward the tower. We were directed to the command post which had been set up. While moving in that direction, Tower 2 collapsed.

Unable to reach the lobby of Tower 1 I ran north on West Street to escape the collapse and falling debris. It was there that I met up with other Port Authority police officers to regroup and attempt any possible rescue. I attempted to aid those injured who had been in the area after the first collapse. I then proceeded southbound. As I and other officers went back toward Vesey Street to join in the rescue effort, we were forced to evacuate the area a second time as Tower 1 began to collapse.

I proceeded to run north again to escape the second collapse and joined up with other officers by N. Moore Street and by Manhattan Community College (MCC), which was then being used as a Port Authority police command post and first aid center under the command of Chief Joseph Morris. We were prohibited from returning to the Trade Center area due to reports of possible gas leaks, bombs and incendiary devices.

Later that afternoon I, my partner P.O. Madden, Sgt. Rienzi and Lt. Carbonaro returned to the disaster site to try to recover any Port Authority equipment. Our vehicle had been destroyed but we were able to locate Emergency Truck 8, which was still drivable and was removed away from the debris.

That evening as we were dismissed from the area I helped locate transportation for officers from the MCC command post back to our respective command (Kennedy Airport) and reported off duty.

Respectfully,

P.O. Ray Maniscalco
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**TO: Chief Morris
FROM: Po William Wilson
DATE: March 12, 2002
SUBJECT: Actions on September 11, 2001**

On September 11, 2001 I was working a 6x2 at Newark Airport at 8:46 the call came over that a plane struck the World Trade Center. I immediately responded to the police desk to find out what was going on. Sgt. Friedman asked who wanted to respond over. Myself, Po Versage and Po luongo asked to respond. We were then told to go to the garage and take bunker gear and respond with Sgt Borowski to the World Trade center. While in route to the World Trade Center the call of a second plane hit. Sgt Borowski, myself, Po Versage, Po Luongo arrived approximately 9:15 hrs at West St. we then put our bunker gear on and responded down to the buildings. While walking down to the buildings Po Versage and myself got separated from Sgt Borowski and Po Luongo. Po Verasge and myself while enroute we observed both buildings engulfed in fire and heavy smoke, and numerous people jumping from different floors. We then walked up Vessey St. to enter the building through 5 WTC we walked past the PATH ESU truck parked on Vessey and West Broadway, which was unoccupied we also observed Vessey St. covered with body parts and debris from the plane and buildings. We walked up as far the entrance to 5 WTC when we did not see anybody in need of assistance and we decided to turn around and walk back towards West St. We walked up to the Command Vehicle parked on West and Vessey St. where everybody was gathering for deployment. As our names were being taken for an entry team into the buildings aloud rumble started to come from West St. We then proceeded to run north on West St. when I observed a male lying on

the ground I pick up him up and he looked at me and he ran north I then ducked into the doorway of the building next the Verizon building. When everything became very dark and windy when everything started to clear I proceeded to walk north again when I spotted Po Gavin, Po Gysin and other members of the force we then walked up Murray St. and gave first aid to each other and tried to clean our selves off with water. During giving assistance to each other I told Po Gavin to take names of everybody that was with us. After we gathered ourselves I attempted to walk back toward the command post and assist people in the street when a second loud rumble came from West St. I ran north again on West St. into the doorway of BMCC College when it got dark and windy again. Myself Po Petruzello stood in the doorway with other members of the force until we entered the auditorium where we gathered for instructions shortly after sitting there we were told to evacuate the building because it was going to blow up. After we gathered in the gym at the college and regrouped. Later that day Po Versage, Po Luongo and myself walked down West St. to retrieve equipment from Port Authority police vehicles that were left on West St. during the chaos. After completed that we walked back down to see if we could assist with any recoveries and medical assistance. I returned to the gym around 9:30 pm to go back to NIA Airport to end my tour. Upon our return to Newark we met with stress counselors about what had happened to us. After talking to the counselors I went home and hugged my family.

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THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

Memorandum



TO: Chief Morris
FROM: David E. Hanna

DATE: January 23, 2002
SUBJECT: September 11, 2001

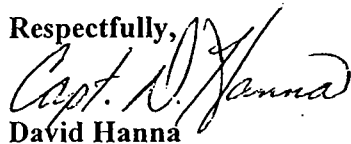
On September 11, 2001, I was en-route from PATC to the Jersey City Police Academy for a training course. I first heard of the incident on the radio while en-route. I turned around and headed to the WTC. I am not certain of the actual time I arrived at the Trade Center. I parked my personal vehicle adjacent to seven WTC then walked to WTC #1. I saw several members of our department, NYFD, and numerous civilians. None of our department's members that I saw then are deceased or currently missing. Supervisory personnel on the scene were Chief Hall, , Inspector Fields, Inspector Norris, Captain Whitaker, Lieutenant Stafford among others. There were people jumping from the tower which made access to and from 1 WTC dangerous.

After directing several people out and away from the building I was told that we were organizing in the WFC. Tower One was fully engulfed at the time. I assisted people coming down from Tower One and surrounding area while directing others to walk north on West Street. I was told by several of our officers that we were mustering just north of Vesey St. As I was walking toward the muster site tower two collapsed. I along with 'dozens' ran north on West St., just avoiding disaster yet still getting caught in the cloud of debris. After catching our breath and the dust settled I noticed several PD and FD units walked back towards the towers, after some hesitation, I followed.

I proceeded back to the area in front of One WTC. The conditions were heavy smoke and fire, low visibility with an eerie silence. There seemed to be no life anywhere in the area. Alone I felt there was little I could do. I looked around the area briefly then decided to head back north towards the college, in hopes of finding other members of our department to form a rescue team. I met Chief Hall and Captain Whitaker on West St. several blocks North of the WTC complex.

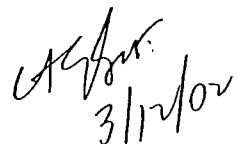
I returned and found the conditions around #1 WTC to be the same. I recovered one of our department's vehicles, got inside (near the foot bridge to the World Financial Center) and while turning the vehicle around, to head north, I heard the low pitch rumble sound that was heard when Tower Two collapsed. I was able to pull away just as debris started falling behind me. I drove to the college and went inside to await further instructions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Capt. D. Hanna".

David Hanna

Captain/ Lincoln Tunnel

A handwritten signature in black ink, followed by the date "3/12/02".

To: Chief Joseph Morris
From: P.O. Frank Accardi
Date: March 07, 2002
Subject: Actions of the undersigned on 09/11/01

As per AMOC #64-01, actions of the undersigned on the above date were as follows:

On September 11, 2001 the below signed officer was assigned to teletype 6x2 tour. At approximately 0948 hrs a broadcast message over N.Y.C. S.O.D radio stated there was an explosion at the corner of Barclay and Church Street. Upon advising Sgt. Mariano at the desk I attempted to contact the W.T.C. command via telephone. On the third attempt P.O. Greg Brady answered stating, the buildings have been hit and are being evacuated. I advised numerous commands to mobilize and stated to Sgt Mariano I will respond to the W.T.C. with the mobile command post vehicle. I first responded with the C.P.V. to Barclay and West Broadway where I met among others Insp. Fields, LT.Kassimatis, Lt. Stafford, Sgt. Poland, and P.O. Mario Petruzzello. I was also advising C.P.D. via channel Able of the current situation.

I responded to West and Vesey Street. and attempted to head south onto the northbound lane under V.I.P. Drive. The street was blocked with emergency vehicles. At that time I met up with P.O. Tom Kennedy and with his assistance we backed the C.P.V. onto the north east corner of west and Vesey Street. At that time we observed people jumping out of Tower One onto the sidewalk, due to the flames and smoke. Suddenly without warning Tower Two began to fall raining debris onto the CPV as myself and P.O. Kennedy ran outside and began grabbing people and placing them into the CPV giving them first aid, and oxygen.

At about the same time a huge black cloud rolled down onto the street encompassing the CPV and shutting it down. As the black smoke began seeping into the Command Post, we distributed surgical masks to everyone in the bus. On board the CPV at this time was Insp. Morris, Det. Sgt. B. Zika. After the cloud subsided I was able to start the CPV and I backed it up North bound and while doing so we assisted people who were on the street into the CPV dousing them with water and giving them oxygen. When Tower One fell the CPV shut down again and we assisted people into the bus, for protection of the falling debris and again rendering first aid, and administered oxygen to at least one person.

I was in radio communication with P.O. David Lim who was trapped in a stairwell with other people; I kept in constant communication with him, asking him his current location and the well being of the others who were trapped with him and giving their location to ESU and updating them of the rescue. When the dust cleared myself and P.O. Kennedy were able to clean the engine and vehicle of debris with the hose of a near by building. The CPV was then moved north to West Street and N. Moore Street next to

MCC. We set up our equipment and attempt to hold a roll call of all M.O.S. at the scene. Although I am unable to recall all the people who I came in contact with during all the chaos some of them were, Insp. Morris, P.O. T. Kennedy, Lt. Burns, P.O. Hamlett, Insp. Norris, Mr. VanEtan, Det Sgt. B. Zika, Lt. Stafford, Sgt. Poland and Chief Allee from NYPD.

I was able to communicate with CPD via NJ Spen Radio, during the failed communications with channel "A" and 800 mgtz. System which is installed in the CPV. During this time of chaos and uncertainty if it were not for the assistance of Charles Agro of OEM and Steve Basic of SEMAC who with the assistance of there crew were able to deliver to us just about anything we asked, and to the automotive department who were also instrumental by keeping our vehicles running and also assisted in transporting our officers to and from the site.

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