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**CITY WIDE 1.....TAPE #01**

**09/11/01.....08:40:00 TO 09:27:10 DRAFT**

**COUNTER # TIME**

C#-002.....Tape heading  
030-138..... open mike at central no radio transmissions.  
139.....Starts transmissions  
6 Portable..... To Central  
Central..... Proceed  
6 Portable.....To central  
Central..... Proceed!!!  
6 Portable.....A major aircraft just crashed into the WTC central  
Central..... 10-5  
6 portable.... Central a major aircraft a plane just crashed into the WTC, please notify everybody central  
Central..... A plane crash into the WTC a plane crash into the WTC  
6 Portable..... Affirmative central confirmed  
Central..... Alright 10-4  
Phone ringing central calling, central states I'm calling FD  
Unk..... Is that confirmed?  
Unk..... Inaudible, what's happening at the WTC  
UNK..... If we get confirmation at WTC plane crash  
Unk..... Inaudible  
Central..... Unit advising  
Unk..... Inaudible portable, transmissions stepping on each other inaudible, could you please notify everybody and forthwith over there  
Central..... Inaudible central has been notified already  
Unk..... To central  
Central..... Proceed  
Unk..... Inaudible message for the towers is it a small plane or a big plane  
Unk..... It looked like a big plane it looked like a very large plane  
Unk..... In one of the towers.  
Unk..... Central it could be a 727  
Central..... 10-5 that it's a very large plane into one of the buildings  
Unk..... Inaudible that's one building Central  
Unk..... Get Emergency Services down here forthwith  
Unk..... To central  
Unk..... Central I'm looking right at it one of the buildings  
Unk..... Central what channel is on this frequency central what channels do we have on this frequency?  
Central..... We have 1 & 2, 1 & 2  
Unk..... Get Emergency Services down here forthwith inaudible  
Unk..... We have a large amount of smoke coming from the tower of the building

Central..... Which units advising identify yourself please?  
Unk..... ?? Portable, inaudible  
Unk..... ?? Portable I have a large explosion in the WTC  
Unk..... Is that the WTC?  
Central..... Affirmative the WTC  
Unk..... What's the condition  
Unk..... A plane just crashed into it  
Unk..... Forthwith, central forthwith all ESU units  
Unk..... central come back was that a plane that crashed into the building  
Central..... Affirmative a plane (units stepping on each other) inaudible  
Unk..... Notify everybody to go there  
Central..... Unless you have an emergency stand by (in back ground noise sounded like mobilization in effect at Vessey & Church right now)  
Unk..... A lot of Witnesses say it was a direct hit.  
Unk..... What's going on at the WTC?  
Unk..... Inaudible sirens in background all task force personnel 10-1 base, 10-1  
Unk..... 10-5 the last message in regards to the WTC  
Unk..... Sounds like a plane hit it  
Unk..... Aircraft hit the WTC  
TF base.... To 2702 10-2, 10-2  
Sgt..... 10-4  
Housing 140.... To central  
Central..... 140  
H140..... Central can you do a warrant check for me  
Central..... Can you just stand by one?  
Unk..... Anyone on this frequency  
Central..... 10-5  
Unk..... City wide on this frequency  
Central..... Affirmative  
H140..... What channel for the WTC  
Unk..... Is there any plane on the ground central?  
Central..... That's SOD channel  
1001 portable.....to Central  
Central..... Channel 12, channel 12, SOD channel 12  
Unk..... Central what do you have at the WTC  
Central.... A plane crashed into one of the WTC buildings  
Unk..... 10-5 that  
Central..... A plane crashed into one of the WTC buildings  
Unk..... inaudible  
Central..... Affirmative, affirmative  
Unk..... Inaudible, is there any fuselage on the ground or is it all in the building.  
Unk..... Central one has the antenna  
Unk..... Central was there an explosion by the WTC  
Central..... Be advised that a plane crashed into the WTC  
Unk..... Inaudible, you got cut off what is it  
SOD base.... To city wide

SOD portable.... To City wide  
Central..... Proceed  
SOD.....OK have highway and the PCT concerned on the FDR have it shut down, if they can for a clear run from 57<sup>th</sup> Street all the way down to the incident location.  
Central..... Affirmative that is being done, FDR is being shut down on both ends, totally shut down  
SOD..... Affirmative, make sure that they move all the traffic off, also aviation 14 on board and also the harbor units stand by, notify the MARS system  
Central..... You want traffic moved off at what street  
SOD..... Also have 3 staging locations, other than the one that they have, the ones the ESU commanders  
Central..... 10-5, 10-5 your message I'm not reading you  
Unk..... Inaudible  
SOD..... They have one location as a staging area battery Park and I forgot the cross street, but have them have another one set up a command post right off by the Staten Island Ferry Station.  
Central..... A command post at Battery Park and set up another command post at Staten Island  
SOD..... Let them set right over by the Ferry Terminal there so that they have access to everything and if they need a ferry have one ferry available  
Central..... 10-4  
SOD..... Also if you can notify the Mars system is it in Jersey  
Central..... Ok 10-5 notify NJ  
SOD.....Affirmative, notify there mutual response system, put them on stand by, if you can and also notify Port Authority on to the tunnels to keep them open and watch for any explosive devises, that may be in conjunction with this  
Central.....10-4  
O Sgt.... To central  
Central..... Which unit  
O Sgt.... Inaudible  
Central..... What Sgt  
Unk..... Can you have Sgt. #1 10-1 the desk, please forthwith  
Central..... What command  
Unk..... The 20  
Central..... The 120 Sgt or the 20  
SOD portable..... To central, SOD portable Central  
Central..... Portable proceed  
SOD portable.... Do you have SOD channel??, for this emergency and have those diverted all 911 calls on this channel or designate an appropriate channel  
Unk..... Central any part of that plane on the ground  
Central..... Unknown  
Unk..... Central do you know\_\_\_\_inaudible plane  
Unk..... The news is confirming that it is a plane  
Special Truck 10.... To central  
Central.....2 Lieutenants  
ESU Truck 10 .....To central

Central..... ESU Truck 10

ESU Truck..... Central if you would, SOD is all tied up, Please advise traffic that they are going to have to work with all the inbound from Bklyn and Queens and the Bronx they gone to have to set up on the south bound FDR to pull traffic from the Bklyn Bridge on down. Don't let any other traffic down into this area.

Central..... Ok Lieutenant, to pull to pull south bound on the FDR

ESU Truck..... That's affirmative central we want to clear everything from lower Manhattan with the exception of emergency vehicles they are going to have to pull all the inbound traffic from the battery tunnel and from the bridges coming from Queens.

Unk..... Inaudible

Central..... 10-4

Unk..... Can anybody advise if there are any parts of the plane on the ground?

Unk..... Inaudible there are reports of some debris on the ground but they are not sure what they are now they are still trying to ascertain.

Unk..... Negative the plane went into the building the plane is inside the building

Unk..... Harry Alpha on the air Harry Alpha

Unk..... Harry Alpha standing by

Unk..... Harry Alpha report back to the command forthwith

Unk..... 10-4, 10-4

Unk..... Inaudible the plane

Unk.... Harry Alpha on the air

Operations..... To central

Manhattan South Operations ..... To central, Manhattan South Operations to central

Central..... 10-5

MS operations..... To central

Central..... Proceed

MS oper..... What Captain's do you have down at the scene?

Central.... 10-5

MS oper..... Do you have a captain down at the scene at this time?

MS Oper..... There a captain 84 at the WTC

Central..... Trying to ascertain

MS oper..... Manhattan South Operations is going to the southern tip of City Hall. We are getting personnel from each command to be diverted

Central..... 10-5

Unk..... Harry Alpha on the air

Central..... Manhattan South Operations 10-5

MS Oper..... Be advised that we are responding to the southern tip of City Hall we are getting personnel from each command, to report at that location we need to know the inspector or the captain at the scene so that we can divert these people into the scene

Central..... 10-4 stand by

Unk..... Is this a level 3 or a level 4

Unk..... Central what level of mobilization are you at.

Unk..... Central I'm at level 3

Unk..... What your location

Unk..... Inaudible mobilization point Sgt.

Unk.....Inaudible go to city hall Manhattan South Operations is going from there then we will redeploy personnel  
Unk..... What condition  
34 Lt..... To city Wide  
Unk..... What's the condition?  
13 portable..... To central  
Central..... 10-5  
SOD portable..... To central  
Central.... Proceed in background (BAD NEWS)  
SOD portable..... To central bad news to report they are reporting possible a 737  
Unk..... Central what level of mobilization  
Unk..... Level 3  
Central..... Stand by on your mobilization I'm trying to ascertain information  
Unk..... Inaudible stepping on each other sounds like out bound tunnel lane so we can take  
Unk..... Manhattan South base on the air  
Unk.... Inaudible, we have one under have Paul go down to South & Pike in case it goes to a level 4  
Unk..... South & Pike  
Unk..... 10-4 go to South & Pike get a THV of there in case it goes to a level 4  
Unk.... 10-4  
Unk.....7 truck..... 737 into the building  
Unk.....Have them set up one command post over at the Staten Ferry Terminal we will access all the vehicles and all personnel its much safer.  
Unk.....Is that confirmed a 737  
Unk..... Unknown, unknown if we have news will report  
**C#-126**  
Unk..... Another plane just hit another plane just hit it, explosion another plane  
Unk..... 10-5  
Unk..... Another plane just hit it  
Unk....Portable check  
Unk..... Inaudible just hit it  
Unk.... 10-5  
Central..... Another plane just hit the building inaudible  
Unk..... Inaudible levels are also assigned to this  
Unk..... Central if you go to a level 4 go to South & Pike  
Unk..... You guys better call the military  
Unk..... This a level 4  
Unk..... Central advise what task forces are mobilized for this event  
Central..... Be advised we got a level 3, level 3 at Church & Vessey and we are getting reports that another plane has struck the WTC.  
Unk..... Inaudible the 2<sup>nd</sup> building now  
76 Sgt..... To central  
Central..... 76 Sgt.  
76 Sgt..... I have a witness that a plane went directly into the 2<sup>nd</sup> building  
Central..... That's a 10-4

Unk..... Inaudible explosion copy central  
Central..... 10-4 Sgt that's 1 WTC or 5 WTC do you know  
76 Sgt..... I don't know I looking from the Bklyn side I witness it inaudible (stepping on each other) something about an explosion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> building  
Central..... By what floor would you say Sarge I will let aviation know  
Unk..... Central you going to need a lot more help down here we just had a major explosion up there we have debris flying everywhere  
Central..... That's a 10-  
Unk..... It's all on the news right inaudible we lost it Inaudible (stepping on each other) It was a purposely attempt inaudible that building  
Unk..... Clear the air, inaudible it's to congested anything closer  
Unk..... Central clear the air copy that central  
Central..... That's a 10-4  
Unk..... inaudible have the Port Authority inaudible be aware at all the tunnels be aware on all the tunnels inaudible  
Central..... All right units we have a level 1 at South & Pike regarding the 2<sup>nd</sup> plane crash, South & Pike we have a separate level 1 regarding the 2<sup>nd</sup> plane crash  
Unk..... Central is that confirmed  
Unk..... Central be advised that is now a level 4  
Central..... Affirmative  
Unk..... Central is that confirmed the 2<sup>nd</sup> plane inaudible  
Central..... Inaudible that's confirmed, everything is confirmed  
Unk..... Inaudible it's a deliberate hit inaudible building  
Unk..... That's confirmed the 2<sup>nd</sup> plane hit the 1<sup>st</sup> building  
Unk..... A 2<sup>nd</sup> plane hit the 2<sup>nd</sup> building inaudible background noise both buildings hit that's confirmed.  
Unk..... That's confirmed we observe red it central  
Unk..... That's correct both buildings have been hit at this time  
Unk..... Who is advising? Inaudible 737 units stepping on each other  
Unk..... Inaudible numerous units transmitting at same time.  
Unk..... Can anybody advise if there's an act of Terrorism  
Unk..... Inaudible thinking, does it really matter both buildings hit on purpose  
Unk..... The 2<sup>nd</sup> plane crash inaudible, watched from bay ridge fly right into the building  
Unk..... Was it a plane or a rocket sent over?  
Unk..... It was a plane I've seen it  
Unk..... Let's evacuate the building  
Unk..... Definitely a 2<sup>nd</sup> plane  
Unk..... Are the planes commercial?  
Unk..... Commercial we saw it, turned right into it, a 737  
Unk..... Inaudible terrorist  
Unk..... City Wide to central  
Central..... City Wide  
Unk..... Can you get a THV to South & Pike the level 4 is at South & Pike?  
Unk..... It's a level 5 inaudible  
Unk..... Central what is the location of the level 2 mobilization?

Inaudible..... Any reported injuries at the WTC  
Inaudible..... You telling me to look up inaudible  
Unk..... Central advise where the mobilization point is.  
Central.....Alright listen units we have 2 separate mobilization points, 2 level 4 mobilization points Bronx Task Force respond to Church & Vessey, Manhattan South Operations is responding to South & Pike, we got numerous injuries both to civilian members of the force those are the 2 mobilization points at this time, Church & Vessey and South & Pike  
Unk..... Inaudible Bridgeport  
Highway Truck 3107 ..... On the air inaudible  
Unk..... 10-5, the mobilization point central  
Central..... We have Church & Vessey and South & Pile  
Inaudible..... Numerous transmissions at the same time madison17 to Madison??  
Madison base a civilian evacuation of the building plenty of phone calls coming in  
Madison central  
Unk.....All bklyn north warrant autos 10-2, all bklyn north warrant personnel 10-2 the office forthwith  
Unk..... Madison units inaudible to the satellite office please  
Unk..... 36 & 71, 10-4 redirects  
Unk..... All Bklyn north warrant autos with the exception of people transporting prisoners 10-2  
Unk..... Inaudible do you want us to redirect to the satellite  
Unk..... That's affirmative inaudible stand by in office for further instructions  
Unk.... 10-4 returning to base.  
Unk.....All Bronx warrants personnel 10-2 the bases  
Unk..... Be advised that there is a secondary explosion in building #2  
Unk..... All Bronx warrant portables 10- 2 the base.  
416..... To central  
416..... Central you on  
SOD..... This is SOD, SOD central  
Unk..... Be advised that both buildings sustained explosions  
Unk..... Be advised that the news is putting it over as the 2<sup>nd</sup> aircraft that crashed into a building a 2<sup>nd</sup> on.  
Unk..... Captain Bolonia on the air Captain Bolonia  
Unk..... Inaudible where is the mobilization point.  
Central..... 6-David  
Unk..... Captain Bolonia on the air  
Capt Bolonia.....Standing by  
Central..... Units we need this frequency clear unless it is in regards to the level 4 mobilization on Church & Vessey and South & Pike  
1 Sgt..... To central  
Central..... 1 Sgt proceed background (what bridges are open or closed at this time.)  
Central..... 1 Sgt proceed  
1Sgt..... Is SOD on this frequency?  
Central..... SOD is on another frequency I'm in contact with them what do you need sgt.  
1 Sgt..... I need to know what frequency it is on for the Mayor

Unk.....Manhattan South Task Force to central, background (all Bronx warrants portables 10-2 the command, jack get my bag out of the back of the car please and bring it to the mobilization point –(inaudible numerous transmissions) out of boro commands are going to South & Pike.)

Arson & Explosion.....To central

Central..... We have 2

Supervisor.... To central

Central..... Precede supervisor

Unk..... Inaudible Sgt. WTC

Central..... Manhattan South Command is going to Church & Vessey all the others are going to South & Pike

Central..... Proceed

Manhattan North..... Redirect

Manhattan South Task Force.... To??? Inaudible any word of a command post being set up. Units stepping on each other

Unk..... You have 2 locations you have Church & Vessey and South & Pike, 2 separate level 4 mobilizations if you are going to the same job you have 2 separate plane crashes at the location

Unk..... Task Force??? Reporting direct

Unk..... Affirmative we are going to get the task force as well as the Manhattan south personnel

Unk..... Church & Vessey 10-4

6 portable... To central

Central..... 6 portable proceed

6 portable..... The far left lane Bklyn bound into Manhattan the top wide open for all PD vehicles

Unk..... 10-5 that

6 portable..... The Bklyn bound

Unk..... Central just be advised that the Bklyn Battery Tunnel the left tube is open for PD vehicles

Unk.....Tommy you on

Central.....10-4, Units all emergency service units all units responding you got the battery tunnel the left tube is open you have a lane open just for NYPD and emergency service units to respond

Manhattan North Duty Captain.... To central, can you 10-5 the mobilization point for Manhattan North please

Unk..... 10-5 the route

Unk..... Tommy you on

Central..... Be advised

Unk .....90 bat car to central

Central..... Be advised that you have 2 separate mobilizations points South & Pike which is for the 2<sup>nd</sup> plane crash and you have Church & Vessey those are the 2 mobilization points

Unk..... Central have the transit shut down the subways at the WTC, please

Central..... 10-4

Unk..... What the level 3 mobilization central

90 Sgt..... To central  
Central ..... 90 Sgt. Proceed  
90 Sgt..... Advise all units the emergency vehicles that they can use the Willie B we have closed it down  
Central..... That's a 10-4 units responding across the Willie B into Manhattan as per the 90 Sgt the Willie B is closed at this time the battery tunnel the left tube is open they have a lane open for all emergency services and all NYPD units  
Central..... At the level 4 we have Church & Vessey and South & Pike  
Unk..... We need a bus at 109 Church 109 Church  
Central..... 109 Church that's a 10-4 notifying EMS  
Unk..... 10-4  
Unk..... Central the Bklyn Bridge has anyone taken that over yet so we can get some of the traffic cleared up  
Central..... That I'm trying not a problem I will notify the 84  
Madison 1.... To any Madison Units in lower Manhattan  
Madison 17....Is at the Triangle, go ahead  
Unk..... Lt. Rossie on the air  
Lt. Rossie..... Lt. Rossie  
Unk..... Numerous transmissions stepping on each other, 17?? Is the command post set up, be advise that a lot debris falling from the building.  
Unk..... At this time there are several command post set up boss.  
Unk..... Numerous transmissions, not yet boss there still evacuating  
Unk..... also notify ???? Have them keep one lane open  
Central..... All right units in regards to the mobilization we have an EMS triage at West & Chambers for all injured parties, West St & Chambers we have an EMS triage set up.  
Madison portable ..... Is the bridge sill open the Bklyn Bridge?  
Central..... Madison Portable be advised that I'm notifying the 84 at this time. Be advised that the Bklyn Bridge is closed, Bklyn bridge is closed we have a lane open for all NYPD and Emergency Service units  
Bklyn South Duty Captain..... To Central  
Central..... Bklyn South Duty Captain proceed  
Bklyn Duty Capt.....Just advise Bklyn South responding units that the Prospect Expressway HOV lane is open is open they can respond that way  
Central..... 10-4 We have the battery Tunnel the left tube is open, the left tube is open for access to the mobilization point  
Unk..... What is the mobilization point?  
Central..... You got Church & Vessey and South & Pike  
Unk..... Numerous transmissions, All out of boro task forces to South & Pike Manhattan South Task Force to Church & Vessey.  
Unk..... Do we have a route open on the West Highway?  
Unk..... Madison base on the air, Madison base on the air  
Unk.....1981 PP, Madison base is outside???  
Unk..... Lt. Grogan have everybody from the division meet me on Wall Street in front of the Marriott Hotel, units stepping on each other, I want all the bodies you can to the get and go just south of the towers by the Marriott hotel  
Unk..... All Manhattan South to Church & Vessey all other boro's to South & Pike.

Unk.....Units be advised that there is rout on the West Side Highway  
Star gate..... To Madison 2, Madison 2 on the air  
Madison 2..... On the air  
Star gate..... Boss you want anything on star gate tell me what you want and we start to  
hand it out to people before we head in, numerous transmissions  
Unk..... The bus is useless the traffic is going to be a mess just send the guys and I will  
be opposite or right near the Marriott Financial Center Hotel on West Street  
Unk..... 10-4  
Madison 7.... To Madison 2 are you on the air  
Unk..... Affirmative  
Unk..... Just find people met me on West Street by the Marriott Hotel south of the towers  
what ever you can get here  
Unk..... 10-4 boss  
Madison 1..... To Madison units does Sid 1 know about this?  
Unk.....??? Sign waves and the cell phone appear to be useless down here; everybody is  
having trouble wit their cells.  
Unk..... Car on the air Carl  
Manhattan South Operations ..... To central units stepping on each other... garbled  
notified already  
Madison??..... To Madison 1 did you copy my message boss?  
Unk..... If I can get thru the tunnel I will be there  
Unk..... It's a mess but I will be in the area I have a couple of witnesses so I'm just south  
of the tower by the Marriott  
Unk..... 3A on the air  
Unk..... 10-4, numerous garbled messages.  
Unk..... We need a response to 109 Church!!!!  
Unk..... Numerous garbled messages  
Central .... 109 Church Street  
Central..... Be advised that we have EMS responding to 109 Church on a heavy bleeder  
Unk..... Call the office forthwith  
Unk..... 10-4  
6 Burg Sgt.....To central  
Unk..... Is there a lane open on the FDR anyone advise if there is a lane open on the FDR  
Manhattan South Operations.....To central  
13Pct desk..... 13 Lt 10-1 the desk 13 Lt.  
Man. So Oper.....To central  
Central..... Man. So Operations proceed  
Man. So Oper..... I need a traffic post on the FDR drive both south bound and north  
bound so it can be open for emergency vehicles  
Central.... 10-4  
Unk..... Detective Herrera on the air Detective Herrera  
Det. Herrera..... Right here Sarge  
Unk..... Anyone you find send them over to the West Street by the Marriott  
Unk..... That's a copy  
Unk..... Who's advising of the mobile point

Unk..... Manhattan South personnel and the Task Force to Church & Vessey all other city wide units to Pike & South  
Unk..... The BQE from Varrick is open to Emergency vehicles The Bklyn Queens Expressway from Queens is open Varrick to the city  
Unk..... Radio check  
Unk..... Numerous garbled messages  
Unk..... CIT youth supervisor on the air  
Unk..... 10-5  
Unk.... What do you have going over on the west side?  
Unk..... 101 Barclay garbled 30 Sgt.  
Unk..... Do we have anybody standing by the building to gather the rest of us?  
Unk..... That's affirmative Carlos Herrera  
Central..... Can you please advise me if any damage to 101 Barclay  
Unk..... Did you copy that John Carlos is standing by the building sending everybody over.  
Unk..... Garbled transmission?? Tri-boro booth  
Unk..... Portable check  
Central..... 5 by 5  
Madison??..... To Madison 2  
Central..... Can anyone advise if 101 Barclay the building has been damaged?  
Madison??..... To Madison 2  
Unk..... My mother works there (Female voice)  
Unk..... City Wide Central on the air  
Central..... On the air city wide  
Unk..... Notify the Tri-boro and have them divert the traffic over there, except for police personnel  
Central..... 10-4  
Unk.....numerous transmissions inaudible  
Unk..... Any units responding on the FDR the FDR is stop at 34<sup>th</sup> Street, avoid the FDR south bound  
Unk..... Madison 2 read  
Madison 2..... 10-4, jump off at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and take 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave south  
Unk..... Portable check central  
Unk..... Portable check  
Central..... 5 by 5  
Central..... Avoid the FDR going south bound Avoid the FDR going south bound at 34 St take 2<sup>nd</sup> Av  
Unk..... What's the new route coming in?  
Unk..... South C-POP Sgt. On the air.  
Unk..... Inaudible  
Unk.... 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave up by 96<sup>th</sup> St is packed  
Central..... Can anyone advise on approx. what floors were hit in each building?  
Unk..... In the hundreds looks like it was in the hundreds  
Central..... Be advised we got 1<sup>st</sup> WTC and 5<sup>th</sup> WTC going anywhere from the 60<sup>th</sup> all the way up top all the way up top  
Unk..... Radio check central

Central.... 5 by 5

Unk..... Harry Alper on the air

Unk..... Madison 18 on the air.

Manhattan South Operations..... To central

Central..... Man South proceed

Man. So. Oper..... Garbled message about South & Pike

Madison 50..... to Star base.

Central..... Operations 10-5 that

Man So. Oper..... We are going to need a route from South & Pike to the scene check  
with traffic control division so we can set up a route

Central..... Be advised south bound FDR drive tape, - muffled unable to hear

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