

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Event: Interview of FBI Special Agent Damian Platosh (DP)

Type of event: Interview

Dates: October 10, 2003

Special Access Issues: None

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Team Number: 1A

Location: FBI, Washington Field Office

Participants – Non-Commission: Pat O'Brien, Bob Sinton

Participants – Commission: Hyon Kim, Raj De, John Tamm

DP has been with the FBI for 6.5 years and was assigned to WFO from the beginning of his tenure with the Bureau. He initially worked bank fraud cases and was only assigned to counter-terrorism on 1 July 2002.

DP only became familiar with [redacted] and [redacted] when he opened investigations on them in April 2003. DP emphasized repeatedly that his investigations of these individuals are prospective only and having nothing to do with 9/11. DP also insisted that any knowledge he had of any possible links between these individuals and the 9/11 hijackers or their associates would have come from his reading of FBI documents.

DP was vaguely familiar with the connection between [redacted] nephew and the hotel in New Jersey where some of the 9/11 hijackers stayed. DP did not think there was any overlap between when [redacted] or his nephew stayed in that hotel and when the hijackers stayed there. DP was unfamiliar with any other possible links between [redacted] and 9/11.

When asked, DP recalled that [redacted] attends the Dar al-Hijra Mosque in Falls Church. [redacted] is a Christian, so he does not attend any mosque in the area.

When asked about possible connections to the Saudi Embassy, DP recalled that [redacted] has some friends who work as contract employees at the Embassy and that [redacted] co-owned an apartment with one of those friends. DP could not remember the friend's name.

DP did not know of any ties between [redacted] and the Skyline butcher shop.

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DP did not know of any ties between [redacted] and New Jersey (other than that [redacted] nephew and his wife are in New Jersey).

DP stated that he has interviewed [redacted] on several occasions. The case number for [redacted] [redacted]

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