

# Senior Military, Intelligence, and Government Officials Question 9/11 Commission Report

Many respected senior members of the U.S. military, intelligence services, and government have expressed significant criticism of the 9/11 Commission Report. Some even allege government complicity in the terrible acts of 9/11. Below are the highly revealing statements on this vital topic of over 50 prominent public servants.

The collective voices of these respected senior officials give credibility to the claim that the 9/11 Commission Report is tragically flawed. These dedicated individuals from both political parties cannot be simply dismissed as irresponsible believers in some 9/11 conspiracy theory. Their sincere concern, backed by decades of service to their country, demonstrate that criticism of the 9/11 Commission Report is not only reasonable and responsible, it is in fact a patriotic duty.

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

### **Congressman Curt Weldon**

*"What's the Sept. 11 commission got to hide?"*

— Ten-term Republican Congressman from Pennsylvania. House Armed Services Committee Vice Chairman. Homeland Security Committee Vice Chairman.

### **Senator Max Cleland**

*The 9/11 Commission is a national scandal.*

— Former member of the 9/11 Commission, resigned December 2003. Currently serves on the board of directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States. U.S. Senator from Georgia 1996-2002. Administrator of U.S. Veterans Administration 1977-1981. Awarded Silver Star and Bronze Star for U.S. Army bravery in Viet Nam. Triple amputee from war injuries.

### **Louis Freeh**

*"No wonder the 9/11 families were outraged by these revelations and called for a "new" commission to investigate."*

— Director of FBI, 1993-2001. Former U.S. District Court Judge for Southern District of New York, appointed by President George H.W. Bush. Former Deputy United States Attorney in New York. Former FBI agent. Former officer in United States Army.

### **Ambassador Edward L. Peck**

*We request an immediate re-investigation of 9/11*

— Deputy Director of the White House Task Force on Terrorism under Ronald Reagan. Former Deputy Coordinator, Covert Intelligence Programs at the State Department. U.S. Ambassador and Chief of Mission to Iraq (1977-80). 32-year veteran of the Foreign Service.

**Paul Craig Roberts, Ph.D.**

*Father of "Reaganomics" questions 9/11 Commission Report*

— Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury under Ronald Reagan. "Father of Reaganomics." Former Associate Editor of the Wall Street Journal. Currently Chairman of the Institute for Political Economy and Research Fellow at the Independent Institute.

**Morgan Reynolds, Ph.D.**

*"We can prove the government's story is false."*

— Chief Economist, Department of Labor under George W. Bush 2001-2002. Former Director of the Criminal Justice Center at the National Center for Policy Analysis. Professor Emeritus, Texas A&M University.

**Catherine Austin Fitts**

*"The Commission was a whitewash."*

— Assistant Secretary of Housing under George H.W. Bush. Former Managing Director of Wall Street investment bank, Dillon, Read & Co.

**Morton Goulder**

*We request an immediate re-investigation of 9/11*

— Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Warning under Presidents Nixon, Ford, and Carter (1973-77). Founder of Sanders Associates.

**Frederick Burks**

*"How is it possible that our military's highly touted missile detections systems could not locate Flight 77 in the 42 minutes it was known to be lost before it crashed into the heart of the defense system of the U.S.?"*

— Former State Department Interpreter for Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, Vice Presidents Dick Cheney and Al Gore, Secretaries of State Colin Powell and Madeleine Albright. 18-year State Department career.

**U.S. MILITARY OFFICERS**

**Gen. Albert Stubblebine, U.S. Army (ret)**

*"I look at the hole in the Pentagon and I look at the size of an airplane that was supposed to have hit the Pentagon. And I said, 'The plane does not fit in that hole'. So what did hit the Pentagon? What hit it? Where is it? What's going on?"*

— Commanding General of Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM), 1981 - 1984. Also commanded U.S. Army's Intelligence Center. Former head of Imagery Interpretation for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. 32-year Army career.

**Col. Robert Bowman, Ph.D., U.S. Air Force (ret)**

*"A lot of these pieces of information, taken together, prove that the official story, the official conspiracy theory of 9/11 is a bunch of hogwash. It's impossible."*

— Director of Advanced Space Programs Development under Presidents Ford and Carter. Air Force fighter pilot, over 100 combat missions. Ph.D. in Aeronautics, Nuclear Engineering.

**Col. George Nelson, U.S. Air Force (ret)**

*"With all the evidence readily available at the Pentagon crash site, any unbiased rational investigator could only conclude that a Boeing 757 did not fly into the Pentagon as alleged."*

— Former U.S. Air Force aircraft accident investigator and airplane parts authority. 34-year Air Force career.

**Col. Ronald D. Ray, U.S. Marine Corps (ret)**

*"I'm astounded that the conspiracy theory advanced by the administration could in fact be true and the evidence does not seem to suggest that's accurate."*

— Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense during Reagan Administration. Highly decorated Vietnam veteran (two Silver Stars, a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart). Appointed by President George H.W. Bush to serve on American Battle Monuments Commission. From 1990 to 1994, served as Military Historian and Deputy Director of Field Operations for U.S. Marine Corps Historical Center, Washington, D.C.

**Lt. Col. Anthony Shaffer, U.S. Army (ret)**

— Former Military Intelligence Officer, Defense Intelligence Agency. Member of Able Danger effort to target Al Qaeda's global structure. Former Chief of the Army's HUMINT [Human Intelligence] program. Awarded the Bronze Star for bravery for the first of his two combat tours to Afghanistan. 23-year military intelligence career.

**Lt. Col. Karen Kwiatkowski, Ph.D., U.S. Air Force (ret)**

*"Reading through the official 9/11 report, I quickly lost my focus – apparently emulating the 9/11 commission over the past 20 months."*

— Former Political-Military Affairs Officer in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Staff Member, Office of Director of the National Security Agency. 20-year Air Force veteran.

**Maj. Scott Ritter, U.S. Marine Corps**

— Former Marine Corps Intelligence Officer and Chief Weapons Inspector for the United Nations Special Commission in Iraq 1991-1998.

**Maj. Douglas Rokke, Ph.D., U.S. Army (ret)**

*"When you look at the whole thing [Pentagon crash], especially the crash site void of airplane parts, the size of the hole left in the building and the fact the projectile's impact penetrated numerous concrete walls, it looks like the work of a missile. And when you look at the damage, it was obviously a missile."*

— Former Director U.S. Army Depleted Uranium Project.

### **Cap. Russ Wittenberg**

*"The government story they handed us about 9/11 is total B.S."*

— Wittenberg convincingly argued there was absolutely no possibility that Flight 77 could have 'descended 7,000 feet in two minutes, all the while performing a steep 270 degree banked turn before crashing into the Pentagon's first floor wall.'

### **Cap. Russ Wittenberg, U.S. Air Force**

— Former Air Force fighter pilot, over 100 combat missions. Commercial pilot for Pan Am and United Airlines for 35 years. Had previously flown the actual two United airplanes that were hijacked on 9/11.

### **Barbara Honegger**

*"A US military plane, not one piloted by al Qaeda, performed the highly skilled, high-speed 270-degree dive towards the Pentagon that Air Traffic Controllers on 9/11 were sure was a military plane as they watched it on their screens. Only a military aircraft, not a civilian plane flown by al Qaeda, would have given off the "Friendly" signal needed to disable the Pentagon's anti-aircraft missile batteries as it approached the building."*

— Senior Military Affairs Journalist at the Naval Postgraduate School (1995 - present). White House Policy Analyst and Special Assistant to the Assistant to President Ronald Reagan (1981-83).

### **Cap. Gregory M. Zeigler, Ph.D., U.S. Army**

*"I knew from September 18, 2001, that the official story about 9/11 was false."*

— Former U.S. Army Intelligence Officer

## **U.S. INTELLIGENCE SERVICES VETERANS**

### **Raymond L. McGovern**

*"The 9/11 report is a joke. The question is: What's being covered up? Is it gross malfeasance, gross negligence, misfeasance?"*

— Former Chairman, National Intelligence Estimates, CIA. Responsible for President's Daily Brief (PDB) for Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush. 27-year CIA veteran. Former U.S. Army Intelligence Officer.

### **William Christison**

*"I now think there is persuasive evidence that the events of September did not unfold as the Bush administration and the 9/11 Commission would have us believe. ... An airliner almost certainly did not hit The Pentagon. ... The North and South Towers of the World Trade Center almost certainly did not collapse and fall to earth because hijacked aircraft hit them."*

— Former National Intelligence Officer and Director of the CIA's Office of Regional and Political Analysis. 29-year CIA veteran.

**Melvin A. Goodman**

*"I want to talk about the [9/11] Commission itself, about the flawed process of the Commission and finally about the conflict of interest within the Commission that is extremely important to understand the failure of the Commission."*

— Senior Analyst, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, State Department, 1974-1976. Former Division Chief and Senior Analyst, Office of Soviet Affairs, CIA, 1976 - 1986. Professor of International Security, National War College 1986-2004. Currently Senior Fellow, Center for International Policy and Adjunct Professor of International Relations, Johns Hopkins University. Author or co-author of five books on international relations.

**Robert Baer**

*"Why hasn't anybody been held accountable for 9/11? We held people accountable after Pearl Harbor. Why has there been no change in command? Why have there been no political repercussions? Why has there [not been] any sort of exposure on this?"*

— Former CIA Case Officer, Specialist in Middle East, Directorate of Operations. Awarded Career Intelligence Medal. 21-year CIA veteran. Author of two nonfiction books about CIA operations, *See No Evil* and *Sleeping with the Devil*

**Sibel D. Edmonds**

*"I find your report seriously flawed in its failure to address serious intelligence issues that I am aware of, which have been confirmed, and which as a witness to the commission, I made you aware of."*

— Former Language Translation Specialist, FBI. Performed translations for counterterrorism, counterintelligence operations. 9/11 Commission Witness.

**Bogdan Dzakovic**

*"At worst, I think the 9/11 Commission Report is treasonous."*

— 14-year Counterterrorism expert, Security Division of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Team Leader of FAA's Red (Terrorism) Team. Former Team Leader in Federal Air Marshal program. Former Coast Guard officer. Witness for 9/11 Commission.

## Letter to Congress on 9/11 Commission Report

*"We the undersigned wish to bring to the attention of the Congress and the people of the United States what we believe are serious shortcomings in the [9/11 Commission] report and its recommendations.*

*Omission is one of the major flaws in the Commission's report. We are aware of significant issues and cases that were duly reported to the commission by those of us with direct knowledge, but somehow escaped attention.*

*The omission of such serious and applicable issues and information by itself renders the report flawed, and casts doubt on the validity of many of its recommendations."*

Petition signed by 25 military, intelligence, and security veterans below:

### **John M. Cole**

— Former Intelligence Operations Specialist, Counterintelligence Division, FBI. In charge of FBI's foreign intelligence investigations covering India, Pakistan and Afghanistan. 18-year FBI career.

### **David "Mark" Conrad**

— Retired Agent in Charge, U.S. Customs. Responsible for internal integrity and security for areas encompassing nine states and two foreign locations. Former Federal Sky Marshall. 27-years in U.S. Customs. Currently Professor of Criminal Justice at Troy University.

### **Edward J. Costello, Jr.**

— Former Special Agent, Counterterrorism, FBI. Former Judge, Los Angeles, CA.

### **Rosemary N. Dew**

— Former Supervisory Special Agent, Counterterrorism and Counterintelligence, FBI. Former member President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC) and the Electronic Commerce/Cyber Crime Working Group. 13-year FBI career.

### **Bogdan Dzakovic**

— 14-year Counter-terrorism expert, Security Division of Federal Aviation Administration. Witness before the 9/11 Commission.

### **Sibel D. Edmonds**

— Former Language Translation Specialist, performing translations for counterterrorism and counterintelligence operations, FBI. Witness before the 9/11 Commission.

**Steve Elson**

— Former Special Agent with the U.S. Navy and the FAA. Specialist in Counterterrorism, Intelligence, and Security. Twenty-two years military experience, primarily in Naval Special Warfare and nine years Federal service with the FAA and DEA. Retired Navy Seal.

**David Forbes**

— Aviation, Logistics and Govt. Security Analysts, BoydForbes, Inc.

**Melvin A. Goodman**

— Senior Analyst at the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, State Department, 1974-1976. Professor of International Security at the National War College 1986-2004.

**Mark Graf**

— Former Security Supervisor, Planner, and Derivative Classifier, Department of Energy. Former Chairman of the Rocky Flats (DOE) Physical Security Systems Working Group from 1990 through 1995.

**Gilbert M. Graham**

— Retired Special Agent, Counterintelligence, FBI. 24-year FBI career.

**Diane Kleiman**

— Former Special Agent, US Customs. Exposes major cover-ups on her website: <http://www.customscoverup.com>

**Lt. Col. Karen Kwiatkowski, Ph.D., U.S. Air Force (ret)**

— Former Political-Military Affairs Officer in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Staff Member, Office of Director of the National Security Agency. 20-year Air Force veteran.

**Lynne A. Larkin**

— Former CIA Operations Officer. Served in several CIA foreign stations and in the CIA's counter-intelligence center helping chair a multi-agency task force and seminars on coordinating intelligence among intelligence and crime prevention agencies.

**David MacMichael**

— Former Senior Estimates Officer with special responsibility for Western Hemisphere Affairs at the CIA's National Intelligence Council. Former Captain, U.S. Marine Corps. 10-year military service.

**Raymond L. McGovern**

— Former Chairman, National Intelligence Estimates, CIA, responsible for preparing the President' Daily Brief (PDB) for Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush. 27-year CIA veteran. Former U.S. Army Intelligence Officer.

**Theodore J. Pahle**

— Former Senior Intelligence Officer, Defense Intelligence Agency. 37-year intelligence career. HUMINT [Human Intelligence] operations officer with DIA, Office of Naval Intelligence and U.S. Army Intelligence. Middle East and Latin American operations specialist.

**Behrooz Sarshar**

— Retired Language Translation Specialist, performing Farsi translations for counterterrorism and counterintelligence operations dealing with Iran and Afghanistan, FBI.

**Brian F. Sullivan**

— Retired Special Agent, Risk Management Specialist, FAA. Retired Lieutenant Colonel, Military Police.

**Cmdr. Larry J. Tortorich, U.S. Navy (ret)**

— Former Deputy Program Manager for Logistics – Tomahawk Cruise Missiles. 24-year Navy career in the fields of aviation and counterterrorism. Two years as a federal employee with DHS/TSA in the fields of security and counterterrorism.

**Jane A. Turner**

— Retired Special Agent, 24-years in FBI.

**John B. Vincent**

— Retired Special Agent, Counterterrorism, FBI. 27-year FBI career.

**Dr. Fred Whitehurst**

— Retired Supervisory Special Agent / Laboratory Forensic Examiner, FBI. Former U.S. Army Intelligence Officer.

**Col. Ann Wright, U.S. Army (ret)**

— Retired Army officer and Former U.S. Diplomat. 29 years in U.S. Army, U.S. Army Reserves. Member of International law team in Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada. Served in Panama and Somalia. Joined Foreign Service in 1987. Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassies in Sierra Leone, Micronesia and Afghanistan. Helped reopen US Embassy in Kabul in December, 2001.

**Matthew J. Zipoli**

— Special Response Team (SRT) Officer, DOE. Vice President, Security Police Officer's Association, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

# **INTERNATIONAL MILITARY, INTELLIGENCE AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

## **Paul Hellyer**

*"I think the inquiry has been very shallow, very superficial. I would like to see a much tougher, more in-depth inquiry."*

— Former Minister of National Defense of Canada. Former Deputy Prime Minister. Former Member of House of Commons.

## **Andreas von Buelow, Ph.D.**

*"The official story is so inadequate and far-fetched that there must be another one."*

— Former State Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Defense of West Germany. Former Minister of Research and Technology. Member of Bundestag (Parliament) 1969-1994.

## **Michael Meacher**

*"It was a 580-page avoidance of any serious explanation."*

— Former Under Secretary for Industry, Under Secretary for Health and Social Security, Minister of Environment, and Member of the House of Commons (UK).

## **Gen. Leonid Ivashov**

*"Only secret services and their current chiefs – or those retired but still having influence inside the state organizations – have the ability to plan, organize and conduct an operation of such magnitude."*

— Joint Chief of Staff of Russian Armies on 9/11/2001. Chief of Department for General Affairs in Soviet Union's Ministry of Defense. Chief of Military Cooperation Department at Russian Federation's Ministry of Defense. Secretary of Council of Defense Ministers of Community of Independent States (CIS).

## **Mohamed Hassanein Heikal**

*"Bin Laden does not have the capabilities for an operation of this magnitude. When I hear Bush talking about al-Qaida as if it was Nazi Germany or the communist party of the Soviet Union, I laugh because I know what is there."*

— Former Foreign Minister of Egypt. Adviser to Egyptian Presidents Nasser and Sadat. Renowned Journalist and Editor.

## **David Shayler**

*"The available evidence indicates that people in key positions in the FBI, the State Department, the CIA and so on were not loyal to the Constitution; that they saw an opportunity in plans laid down by genuine Islamic terrorists to carry out an operation that would shock the world and would therefore justify U.S. adventurism in the middle East, particularly in Afghanistan and Iraq."*

— Former Counter-terrorism Officer, MI5 (UK)

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9/11 is unquestionably the most important event in American history since December 7, 1941, when Japanese forces attacked Pearl Harbor. The magnitude of its impact on America and the world cannot be overstated. The terrible acts of 9/11 and the events leading up to them deserve a thorough and unimpeachable investigation to learn the facts. And if some rogue elements within the U.S. government were complicit in the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon on 9/11, as several of these individuals allege, it is critical that these elements be exposed and removed from power.

### **A PERSONAL NOTE ABOUT THIS WEBPAGE FROM ALAN MILLER**

I believed the official explanation of 9/11 for four and one-half years. I remember, during that time, becoming angry at news stories about people who challenged that explanation. However, in the Spring of 2006, I saw the documentary, *Loose Change*, on the Internet. Although not entirely objective, it raised many serious and disturbing questions about the events of 9/11 that I had previously simply accepted without much critical thought.

And so I began a several month period of researching the events of 9/11. I found a great deal of material challenging the 9/11 Commission Report on web sites like 911truth.org, physics911.net, Scholars for 9/11 Truth and many others. I attended a lecture by Prof. David Ray Griffin. I learned much about what has become known as the 9/11 Truth Movement.

Much of the information and limited media coverage of the 9/11 Truth Movement focuses on college professors like David Ray Griffin, Steven Jones, James Fetzer, Kee Dewdney, and others. In August of 2006, I began searching for statements about 9/11 by members of the intelligence services, military and government. Because of their experience in these areas, I felt their opinions about 9/11 would be an additional valuable source of information. I was surprised by the amount of criticism of 9/11 from this group that I found scattered around the Internet. I had learned of virtually none of this criticism through newspapers, television, or radio news sources.

I don't know what really happened on 9/11. I greatly value these individuals' statements because most have spent large portions of their careers studying espionage, terrorism, and military operations throughout the world and personally planned and carried out United States' military and intelligence activities. They're experienced professionals, whom I trust.

My objective, at this point, is to have our government launch a new, extremely thorough and impartial re-examination of the terrible acts of 9/11 and the events leading up to them. In my opinion, and in the opinion of the above listed experienced individuals, the current 9/11 Commission Report is seriously inadequate in explaining what really happened.

For the sake of those who died on 9/11, their families, the American people, and for the sake of peace in the world, please continue to seek the truth about 9/11. Demand a thorough and impartial reinvestigation of 9/11.

More info:

<http://www.wanttoknow.info/officialsquestion911commissionreport>