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A Boeing 767 was flying as United Flight 175 on the morning of September 11, 2001. Bearing registration N612UA, the plane was heading from Logan Airport (in Boston) to LAX (Los Angeles International Airport) when it was hijacked. This image depicts the plane, taxiing at San Francisco Airport, during December of 1999. Photo by Konstantin von Wedelstaedt; online via Wikimedia Commons. GNU Free Documentation License, Version 1.2 only.

Another Boeing jet - this one a 767 owned by United Airlines - left Boston's Logan Airport at 08:14 EDT as Flight 175, also bound for Los Angeles. Hijackers took control of the plane and, at 09:03 EDT, rammed it into the South Tower near the 80th floor.

Just before the plane crash, Peter Hanson, one of the passengers, called his parents. He told them that hijackers had control of the plane and had stabbed one of the cabin crew. The official "9-11 Commission Report," in chapter 1, Section 1.1, quotes Peter's 9 a.m. message (scroll down 20%):

It's getting bad, Dad - A stewardess was stabbed - They seem to have knives and Mace - They said they have a bomb - It's getting very bad on the plane - Passengers are throwing up and getting sick - The plane is making jerky movements - I don't think the pilot is flying the plane - I think we are going down - I think they intend to go to Chicago or someplace and fly into a building - Don't worry, Dad - If it happens, it'll be very fast - My God, my God.

Cameras, focused on the burning first tower, showed the second crash on live television. A BBC journalist, Steve Evans, had no clue that his viewers were watching the second crash as they listened to his report of the first one.

Some of the people trapped in the towers, above the crash sites, jumped or were blown out from the buildings. All 65 people on board Flight 175, including flight attendants and pilots, were killed.

Meanwhile, a third plane en route from Washington's Dulles Airport to Los Angeles, was about to strike terror in the nation's capitol.

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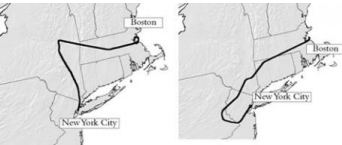


World Trade Center - Towers on Fire

Photo, from the 9/11 Commission Report - Chapter 9, image 4.

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September 11 - Flight Path of United 175

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September 11 - United 175 Near the South Tower

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United Flight 175 - Peter Hanson

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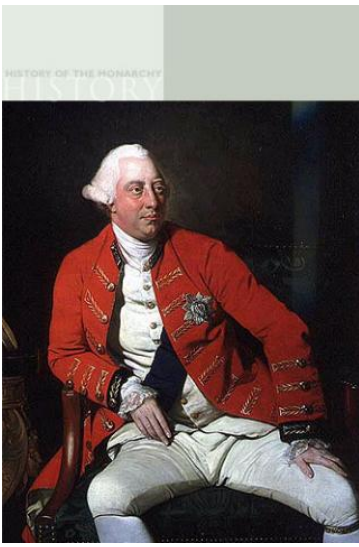
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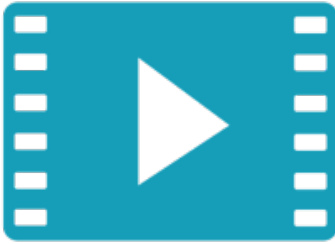


September 11 - Crash of United 175

News clip, from the [September 11 Archive](#).

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September 11 - South Tower Crash

Video clip from the BBC News, [Stephen Evans](#) reporting. Live coverage between 8:34 a.m. - 9:16 a.m. on September 11, 2001. From the [September 11 Archive](#).

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September 11 Attack - Eyewitness Interviews

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