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AAL77



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Memorandum

ARTCC – Indianapolis, IN

Subject: **INFORMATION:** Partial Transcript; Aircraft Accident;
AAL77; Washington, DC; September 11, 2001

Date: January 29, 2002

From: Indianapolis ARTCC

Reply to

Attn. of:

To: Aircraft Accident File ZDC-ARTCC-212

This transcription covers the Indianapolis ARTCC Batesville Sector Radar position for the time period from September 11, 2001, 1302 UTC to September 11, 2001, 1340 UTC.

Agencies Making Transmissions

Indianapolis ARTCC Batesville Sector Radar Position
Indianapolis ARTCC Dacos Sector Radar Position
American Airlines Inc. Flight 683
Unknown
Indianapolis ARTCC Impel Sector Radar Position

Abbreviations

BTV R
DAC R
AAL683
UNKN
IMP R

I hereby certify that the following is a true transcription of the recorded conversations pertaining to the subject aircraft accident involving AAL77:

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BTV R

override at ah dacos i'm sorry basteville

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1307:50 DAC R yeah *(dave) have you been given the information

1307:53 BTV R yes i have joe

1307:54 DAC R about america seventy seven---okay
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1308:56 BTV R american six eighty three descend and maintain flight level
three three zero
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1309:01 AAL683 okay american six eighty three descending to three three zero
that's for traffic i guess

1309:05 BTV R ah american six eighty three ah---yes sir ah i've got one of your
company aircraft it's a boeing seven fifty seven and he's
crossing with you---ah he has apparently lost all power there's
no transponder we have no radar on him and there's no
communication with the aircraft at all so we're gonna have tah
get you out of thirty five here cause we don't really know where
he's at right now

1309:22 AAL683 understood we'll expedite to three three oh american six
eighty three anything we can do

1309:26 BTV R well i don't really naw you may want to call your company and
ah see if they can do something american seventy seven is the
call sign and he departed dulles um and i believe it's on its way
to ah los angeles

1309:38 AAL683 all right that's our home base we'll uh we'll send a message
right away

1309:41 BTV R okay thanks sir
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1313:29 BTV R american ah six eighty three ah---aircraft ah that the ah company seven fifty seven there is ah (unintelligible) on jay one thirty four ah according to his flight plan he should be somewhere out about your nine o'clock and twenty miles west bound at three five zero i'm gonna let ya three three zero and just ah see if you can---maybe get a visual on him or something there is ah---is she unfortunately he's probably gonna pass ah if he's out there about eight to ten miles behind you

1313:55 AAL683 okay we'll keep our eyes open and we did send a ah message via a cars to our company to have em come up ah you want me to try calling em on guard

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1314:05 BTV R yeah if you want to that's fine sir

1314:07 AAL683 i'll give em a try

1314:08 BTV R okay it's american seventy seven

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1316:49 BTV R american six eighty three i appreciate your help this morning contact indianapolis center on one two seven point zero two

1316:57 UNKN blocked

1316:58 BTV R american six eighty three contact indianapolis center one two seven zero two thanks a lot for your help

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1317:04 AAL683 twenty seven oh two yeah no joy on guard american six eighty three take a (unintelligible) hope you find em

1317:08 BTV R okay

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1318:42	BTV R	(unintelligible)
1318:45	IMP R	impel
1318:46	BTV R	randy you know about this american seventy seven thing right
1318:48	IMP R	yes
1318:48	BTV R	okay ah company ah six eighty three there went over and tried to raise him on guard and ah said he never had a visual on him out there at all he was looking all around
1318:55	IMP R	all right
1318:56	BTV R	okay thanks
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1328:00	UNKN	what's going on in new york
1328:01	BTV R	well there has been a ah---possible terrorist attack at the world trade center buildings two airplanes were crashed crashed into the trade center buildings and reports are that an american airlines enroute to los angeles has been hijacked
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1333:53	BTV R	over ride at batesville

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1333:54 IMP R jeff they considering thirty five clean up there now

1333:57 BTV R ah i have no idea randy

1333:59 IMP R all right tell you what if you got---if you

1334:02 BTV R i there's too much stuff going on right now to care about

1334:03 IMP R all right buddy

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End of Transcript

* This portion of the re-recording is not entirely clear, but this represents the best interpretation possible under the circumstances.