Subject: Here is another thing that really pisses me off. Posted by K9Trooper on Thu, 03 Jun 2004 20:39:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

SuperFlyingEngiCarldidnt you know? the 9/11 comsistion is nothing but a joke. something just to make it look like they are doing something to prevent similar events. which, in reality, you cannot stop evens like these.

It's not a joke, that's just what Republicans say because Bush is getting hammered by it because Bush refused to believe obvious intelligence, and his administration stonewalled Richard Clarke's terrorism plan from January to September 9th...

Also, one reason the 9/11 commission is looking in to the firefighters is because the whole first crew to arrive at the scene died because they were not coordinated, among other things. Some teams were told to stay in the burning towers before they collapsed, others were told to leave the towers but didn't... and this commision is looking in to this to find out how to save the lives of firefighters in the future.

My silence has been broken!

Engi you are such a fuck... Again you and the 9/11 panel have no idea what it is like to be a firefighter , cop or a paramedic. I am a FF/EMT-P and I know what it is like to be in comand of a fire scene. The 9/11 panel, you and most likely 99% of these forums will never understand or experience it. All they are doing is shifting the blame from the terrorists to the FF, cops, EMS and current administration. They want the blood of the victums on the Republicans hands and will do whatever dirty tactic to do so. It is not the commissions place to tell fire departments how they should be run.

Lesson for you all.

1. 9-1-1 is called and the dispatchers are notified of an emergency. (Now with a city that has over a million people and I would bet that 80% have cell phones imagine how flooded the few hundred 9-1-1 operators got)

2. Dispatchers set the alarm and dispatches the "1st Alarm" and possibably skips to a "3rd Alarm" automatically

3. The trucks respond to the call. By this time I believe the Chief, not even on the scene yet, has issued a "General Alarm". That is all FDNY stations and it's "Mutual Aid" partners respond. At this point in the game off shift firefighters receive a call in and have to stand-by at stations with reserve equipment.

4. First truck arives on scene. They assess the situation and decide they need to assist in the evacuation of the building and surpress what fire they can in order to get people out. There is only one way to do this. They needed to enter the buildings.

5. Chief arrives. Gets briefed from the first on scene. Chief assumes command and gets his command structure set. (You may think a fire chief runs the entire scene but you are wrong. There

is a communications officer, safety officer among others). They all rely on the firefighters to "Paint a picture" of what is going on.

6. Chief is communicating with FF and others. At this point you may say there was a breakdown in communications but there are other factors that effect communications on a fire ground.

....6a. Heat will effect radio communications. Heat is a form of radiation and excessive heat will hinder radio transmissions.

....6b. Metal effects radio transmissions. People think that metal would help but in reality metal will hinder radio waves unless that metal is set up to act like an antena, and the WTC was a lot of hot metal.

....6c. Cell phones can interfere with radios. Think of it this way, even though they most likely were not on the same bandwidth as the fire radios the attenas of the fire radios still absorb the cell phone signals and can create static. Think of 20,000 people trying to use their cell phones in a small area. Lot of traffic in the air. Almost like a phone service is doing a DoS attack.

I will stop there. I am running out of time and patients. Anyhoo, they are trying to blame those that gave their lives trying to save strangers. If you really want to point fingers at anyone other than terrorists for bringing down the WTC. Point them at the owners of the buildings and the builders of them. It was ultimatly their fault for them going down. The lack of fire proofing and lack of maintianing that fire proofing allowed the fire to take the buildings down faster than anyone would have thought. I will still point my fingers at the real killers though... The terrorists.