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Dear Senator Leahy, Senator Sanders, Representative Welch, Governor Douglas, Attorney General Sorrell, Members of the Vermont Supreme Court, Vermont Senators, Vermont Representatives, Vermont media professionals, and other selected recipients:

The attacks of 9/11/2001 are the major premise of the “War on Terror” (now called “the enduring struggle against terrorism and extremism” by the Obama administration), including the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. These wars have cost the lives of thousands of Americans, thousands of Afghans, and, by many estimates, more than a million Iraqis [1]. We have spent more than 600 billion dollars on the War in Iraq [2]. According to at least one Obama administration official, the War in Afghanistan, which has no end in sight even under the new administration, is likely to be even tougher than the war in Iraq [3]. Also directly premised on the attacks of 9/11 are the many deeply disturbing curtailments of our civil liberties, including those contained in the USA Patriot Act, the Military Commissions Act of 2006, and the Protect America Act of 2007.

We believe that all Americans have the moral obligation to question the premise of the “War on Terror”, given all that our government has done based upon that premise, given the fact that so much that the Bush administration told us has turned out to be false, given that the anthrax attacks are now known to be an inside job [4], and given that Senator Leahy, among others, doubts the conclusion that Dr. Bruce Ivins was the sole perpetrator of the anthrax attacks [5], with good reason [6]. We have researched this premise of the War on Terror in depth, and we are truly alarmed by what we have found. While we do not all agree on what actually did happen on 9/11/01, nor on the likely extent of the complicity of U.S. government officials (ranging from an unexplained and possibly deliberate failure to prevent the attacks to actual involvement in the engineering thereof), the following statements are undeniable:

- 1) The 9/11 Commission failed to report the truth. It never questioned the unsupported [7] assertion that Al Qaeda alone was responsible for the attacks, and it ignored tremendous quantities of credible evidence contrary to that assertion. For example, the 9/11 Commission concluded that the funding of the terrorists was “of little practical significance”, ignoring reports that the head of Pakistan’s intelligence service arranged for a wire transfer of \$100,000 to alleged 9/11 ringleader Mohamed Atta just before 9/11 and then met with U.S. officials on the morning of 9/11 [8]. Moreover, the Commission’s final report is replete with

obvious inconsistencies and impossibilities [9]. Even the Commission's co-chairs have stated that their investigation was obstructed and that military officials lied to them [10].

2) The Bush administration tried to prevent any investigation into 9/11 for more than a year, and then systematically obstructed the 9/11 Commission [11].

3) Given all of the U.S. Government's actions that have been predicated on the official account of 9/11, if there is even a *small possibility* that insiders supported the 9/11 attacks, it is absolutely essential that there be a new, thorough, and truly independent forensic investigation into 9/11, and that any and all responsible parties be brought to justice.

4) Far more than it being a small possibility, there is a tremendous quantity of evidence pointing to a conclusion of insider support. This includes the following (the notes refer to only a small sample of available sources): evidence of prior knowledge of the attacks on the part of the Bush administration [12], which evidence led Senator Leahy to ask "why did 9/11 happen on George Bush's watch when he had clear warnings that it was going to happen?"[13]; evidence that the alleged perpetrators of 9/11 were not religious extremists [14], did not have the necessary skills to carry out the attacks [15], trained at secure U.S. military installations [16], and may have had connections with U.S. informants and intelligence agents [17]; evidence that routine protocols in place for the interception of wayward aircraft were disabled on 9/11 [18]; evidence, including data released by the NTSB [19] that the damage at the Pentagon was caused by something other than flight 77 [20]; evidence that controlled demolitions, not impact damage and fires, brought down the three World Trade Center towers [21]. We have a huge problem if *any one* of these issues remains unresolved, and this is only a partial list of the unresolved issues.

5) A very large and growing number of highly-credentialed professionals, including physicists, chemists, metallurgists, demolitions experts, military officials, pilots, air traffic controllers, firefighters, law enforcement officials, intelligence experts, government officials (foreign and U.S.), medical professionals, journalists, architects, and engineers have publicly expressed their doubts about or actual disbelief of the official account of 9/11 [22].

We enclose two DVD's, one of which contains "Zero: An Investigation into 9/11"[23], a 2008 documentary that provides an introduction to a wide range of problems with the official account of 9/11, and the other of which contains a presentation by architect Richard Gage entitled "9/11: Blueprint for Truth – The Architecture of Destruction"[24], which focuses on the scientific evidence of controlled demolitions at the World Trade Center. Richard Gage is the founder of Architects and Engineers for 9/11 Truth, a group now comprised of over 600 architectural and engineering professionals who, in their own words, "are dedicated to exposing the falsehoods and to revealing truths about the 'collapses' of the WTC high-rises on 9/11/01." For shorter introductions to the the WTC collapses, a 10-minute film [25] on the twin towers and a 6-minute film [26] introducing the extremely troubling collapse of WTC 7, a 47-story building that was not struck by any aircraft, are

available on the internet. An impressive collection of scholarly, peer-reviewed articles challenging the official 9/11 account can be found at the Journal of 9/11 Studies website [27].

Among the millions of Americans who doubt or disbelieve the official account of 9/11 are thousands of Vermonters. Two years ago, before much of the evidence now available had been uncovered, we sponsored a ballot item calling for the city of Burlington to advise Vermont's congressional delegation to demand a new, thorough, and truly independent forensic investigation that fully addresses the many questions surrounding the tragic events of September 11, 2001. 37% of those who voted supported the measure, including majorities in the two downtown wards where we were most effective at distributing information. A sampling of the Vermonters who have joined us in calling for a real investigation is posted at our website [28].

Astonishingly, there has still been no real public discourse on the problems with the official 9/11 account. However, the arguments that *have* surfaced in support of the official account (and which we do follow), while useful in weeding out some incorrect and unsubstantiated claims of minor consequence, have thus far completely failed to resolve the biggest problems with the official account of 9/11.

The cost of a mistaken belief that the official account of 9/11 is true, and that all feasible steps to prevent similar attacks have been taken, is staggering. In this situation, parties responsible for 9/11 remain at large and we continue to be at great risk of further attacks like 9/11. The cost of demanding answers and then (somehow) discovering no insider involvement, and no ways to limit the chances of future attacks like 9/11, is negligible. And particularly for those of us who actually lost relatives, friends or colleagues on 9/11, demanding certainty about how and why the victims of 9/11 died is the very least we can do to honor their lives.

Please watch the enclosed films, consider the information presented here, and then fill out the enclosed response form and return it to us in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. If you agree that a real investigation into 9/11 is needed, please join our public or private list of supporters, share this information with your families, friends, and colleagues, and do everything in your power to bring about such an investigation. If you do not agree that we need the truth about 9/11, we'd like to know why. If we do not hear from you, one of us will follow up with you about this matter in the near future.

Sincerely, [see signatures on page 5]

for Vermonters for a Real 9/11 Investigation

(This letter is posted at www.vt911.org to enable easy access to the internet links and for downloading, copying, and forwarding to others.)

- [1] <http://www.antiwar.com/casualties/>
- [2] <http://zfacts.com/p/447.html>, http://www.nationalpriorities.org/costofwar_home
- [3] http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/02/08/AR2009020800695.html?nav=rss_email/components
- [4] http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2008/08/documents_ivins_had_custody_of.html
<http://blogs.wsj.com/law/2008/08/07/the-ivins-case-taking-stock-of-the-evidence/>
- [5] And Senators Arlen Specter and Charles Grassley have also expressed dissatisfaction with this FBI investigation. <http://www.guardian.co.uk/us/latest/story/0,,7805964,00.html>
- [6] <http://www.salon.com/opinion/greenwald/2009/03/04/anthrax/index.html?source=newsletter>,
<http://www.opednews.com/articles/Anthrax-Links-to-9-11-by-Barbara-Honegger-080925-678.html>
- [7] Asked in 2006 why the FBI website on Osama bin Laden does not mention his alleged role in 9/11, an FBI publicity chief stated that the FBI has no *hard evidence* connecting Bin Laden to 9/11.
<http://www.muckrakerreport.com/id267.html>
- [8] 9/11 Commission Report, p.172: <http://www.911commission.gov/report/911Report.pdf>,
http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/cms.dll/articleshow?art_id=1454238160,
<http://crimesofthestate.blogspot.com/2007/05/pakistani-smoking-gun-of-911.html> ,
<http://911debunkers.blogspot.com/2008/09/911-myths-takes-on-pakistans-isi-link.html>,
- [9] <http://www.911truth.org/article.php?story=20050523112738404>,
<http://www.sott.net/articles/show/158715-Book-Review-9-11-Contradictions-An-Open-Letter-to-Congress-and-the-Press>
- [10] <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/08/01/AR2006080101300.html>
- [11] <http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2004/07/b124722.html>
- [12] <http://www.prisonplanet.com/911.html>,
<http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,1093694,00.html>
- [13] <http://www.patriotsquestion911.com/#PLEahy>
- [14] <http://www.globalresearch.ca/index.php?context=va&aid=10142>,
http://www.nowpublic.com/nafeez_mossadeq_ahmed_july_22nd_2005
- [15] <http://whatreallyhappened.com/WRHARTICLES/hanjour.html>
- [16] <http://www.newsweek.com/id/75797>
- [17] <http://georgewashington.blogspot.com/2008/03/did-us-and-allied-intelligence-agents.html>,
<http://911review.org/Wiki/SpringmanInterview.shtml>,
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/events/newsnight/1645527.stm>
- [18] <http://www.prisonplanet.com/articles/december2006/141206trafficcontroller.htm>,
<http://www.prisonplanet.com/articles/september2004/080904wargamescover.htm>,
- [19] <http://pilotsfor911truth.org/pentagon.html>,
- [20] <http://physics911.net/pdf/honegger.pdf>,
- [21] www.ae911truth.org , www.journalof911studies.com/
- [22] <http://www.911summary.com/>, <http://www.patriotsquestion911.com/>,
<http://www.ae911truth.org/>
- [23] Also available at <http://zero911movie.com/site/>
- [24] Also available at <http://www.ae911truth.org/>
- [25] <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wDKa1Q1GwTQ>; Also see:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?gl=GB&hl=en-GB&v=dtx_GcFCs6c&feature=related
- [26] <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=58h0LjdMry0>
- [27] <http://www.journalof911studies.com/>
- [28] <http://www.vt911.org/Investigation%20Supporters.htm>

Signatures:

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Peter Garritano	Shelburne, Vermont
Conrad Gilbert	Middlesex, Vermont
Paul Gittelsohn	South Burlington, Vermont
Frank B. Haddleton	South Burlington, Vermont
Jim Hogue	Calais, Vermont
Dennis Morrissette	West Pawlet, Vermont
James P. Vos	Burlington, Vermont
Danny Weiss	Burlington, Vermont

Some of the Vermonters who support a Real 9/11 Investigation (from www.vt911.org):

Affinati	Suzanne	web design, programmer / analyst	Milton
Bartlett	Bill	VP, New England Air	Williston
Belenky	Michael	Vermont business owner	Cabot
Belenky	Bob	clinical child psychiatrist	Marshfield
Berkowitz	John	activist for better state, nation, world	Northhampton, MA
Bister	Donna	public health program manager	Burlington
Bolyard	Bob		Burlington
Boyle	Bruce	athletic strength coach, and scribe	Plainfield
Bruce	Dan	musician/teacher	Montpelier
Bryant	Cy	retired physics professor	Williston
Cadieux	Catherine	retired minister, communications prof.	Putney
Carlotti	William	construction project manager	N. Montpelier
Carpenter	Renee	media	N. Montpelier
Chickering	Karen	administrative assistant, musician	Montpelier
Citro	Joe	writer	Burlington
Clarke	Virginia	veterinarian	Richmond
Cole	David	entrepreneur	Arlington
Cox	Louis	writer, editor	Charlotte
Decker	Scott	electrical engineer	S. Burlington
Douglas	John	photographer, political activist	Charlotte
Dunbebin	Doug	graphics designer	Burlington
Ekberg	Steve	organizer	Burlington
Ennis	Matthew	caregiver/job coach	Lincoln
Estrin	Marc	novelist	Burlington
Ficociello	Michael	senior business analyst	Burlington
Field-Belenky	Mary	retired psychologist	Marshfield
Finnell	Tom	electrical engineer (ret'd)	Brattleboro
Foley	Richard	professor, Keene State College	Brattleboro
Garritano	Pete	sales manager, burlington auto group	Shelburne
Gaydos	Steve	senior fitness instructor	Colchester
Geier	Jim	chair maker	Starksboro
Gilbert	Conrad	business owner	Middlesex
Gittelsohn	Paul	video editor	Burlington
Guarnaccia	Samuel	university instructor	Shelburne
Guarnaccia	Paula	university administrator	Shelburne
Guiles	Tim	musician	Williamstown

Haddleton	Frank	attorney	Burlington
Halpin	Chris	attorney, educator	Essex Junction
Hansen-Barre	Cathie	naturopath	Barre
Hawthorn	Deb	writer, editor	Hartland
Higgins	Jim	teacher, writer	Montpelier
Hogue	Jim	actor	Calais
Holden	John	retired AA pilot	Montpelier
Hunt	Bryan	retired nyc firefighter	Burlington
Jaffarian	Brian	marketing consultant	Burlington
Jeroloman	Richard	retired ny lawyer	Burlington
Johnson	Cynthia	lettering artist	E. Calais
Kenyon	Paul	mechanical engineer	Bridport
Key-Price	Timothy	site engineer	Fairlee
Kowalski	Gary	minister	Burlington
Lackey	Tom	civil engineer	Stowe
Licht	Diana	editor	Burlington
Loomis	Lisa	editor, valley reporter	Waitsfield
Lowther	Catherine	faculty member, Goddard College	Plainfield
Maker	Tim	energy consultant	Calais
Mantone	Matt		Burlington
Marshall	Bruce	energy savings consultant	Rochester
Medeiros	John	retired social worker	Putney
Miller	Steve	sign writer	E. Calais
Morrisseau	Dennis	retired	W. Pawlet
Mulligan	Owen	webdesigner, massage therapist	Burlington
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Nixon	Greg	private military contractor research	Burlington
O'Malley	Diane	occupational therapist	Bennington
O'Neill	Brendan	dry stone wall mason	Burlington
Ottman	Bill	labor organizer	Burlington
Packard-Bryant	Jane	healing touch practitioner	Williston
Peery	Will	carpenter	Jericho
Plumb	George	Vermonters for a Sustainable Population	Washington
Rabin	Jules	baker, writer	Marshfield
Rabin	Helen	artist	Marshfield
Rankin	Joanna	professor, physics	Burlington
Rice	William	engineer	Randolph Center
Robicsek	Jim	master herbalist	Westford
Rudiger	Larry	college teacher	Burlington
Sandage	Lynn	artist, musician	Mendon
Simpson	Charles	professor, sociology	Burlington
Sopchak	Elaine	publicist	Essex Junction
Trabulsy	Phil	physician	Colchester
Waters	Jim	retired h.s. science teacher	Milton
Weinstock	Henry	foreign language animator	Jericho
Weir	Jeanine	artist	Rochester
Weiss	Edward	writer	Burlington
Weiss	Danny	videographer	Burlington
Woods	Jennifer	parent of young children	Burlington
Woods	Hal	minister, retired, business owner	S.Hero
Zengel	Keith	student, pres. 911 truth mvt, UVM	Burlington

Response Form

Thank you for reviewing the enclosed material. We would very much like to hear from you to learn your opinion about the information presented. Please take a moment to answer these few questions:

- 1) Did you watch either DVD? Which one/s? If not, why not?

- 2) Did any of the enclosed materials change your thinking about the events of 9/11? If so, how?

- 3) Would you be willing to add your name to the list of Vermonters asking for a real 9/11 investigation posted at www.vt911.org? If so, please send an email with your name, occupation, and town of residence to admin@vt911.org.^[1] If not, why not?

- 4) Would you like someone from Vermonters for a Real 9/11 Investigation to contact you?

- 5) Please provide your name and the best way to reach you. (As indicated in the letter, we do plan to contact recipients from whom we receive no response, so we need this information even if you do *not* wish to be contacted.)

- 6) Do you have any other comments about this issue, or suggestions relating to securing a real 9/11 investigation?

A stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Please return this survey as soon as possible. Thank you

[1] Please also consider registering with the following 9/11 truth websites, as appropriate: Medical Professionals for 9/11 Truth [<http://mp911truth.org>], Architects & Engineers for 9/11 Truth [<http://www.ae911truth.org>], Pilots for 9/11 Truth [<http://pilotsfor911truth.org>], Firefighters for 9/11 Truth [<http://www.firefightersfor911truth.org>], Lawyers for 9/11 Truth [<http://www.lawyersfor911truth.blogspot.com>], Political Leaders for 9/11 Truth [<http://www.pl911truth.com>]