

Was Osama bin Laden just another PATSY?

By Bo Filter

The anniversary of 9/11 is fast approaching, and we can expect to see, on television news, reports and Pentagon (taxpayer funded) documentaries testifying to the evils of Osama bin Laden and his merry men enveloping the planet, spawned by a vast network of Al Qaeda terror cells.

This *war on terrorism* is the heart of America's reach for global domination. The anniversary brings out special reports, but in fact, now nearly every day you can see references to Al Qaeda and terrorism. Even Hollywood has begun to spin Al Qaeda into their shows, such that, the mythical hunt for a terrorist under every rock has become daily fare.

The burden of proof of any alleged crime falls on the public to distill truth from fiction. Patsy crimes, those blamed on patsies, are of course fiction, and three key features about them must be kept in mind. Firstly, patsy crimes are pronounced. The patsy is dressed up with plausible but false incriminating evidence ahead of time. Other suspects or theories of who might have committed the crime are quickly dismissed by the perpetrators and even ridiculed if they persist.

Secondly, the perpetrators must have enough political clout to block and prevent an authentic forensic crime scene investigation. Important crime scene evidence is either dispersed or destroyed, as in the case of 9/11. After nine years, families of the victims are still desperately trying to force New York City to open a legal investigation.¹ Thirdly, to protect the perpetrators, a continuous game of cover-up ensues. The public must be kept constantly reminded by a perpetrator-friendly corporate media that the crime was committed by the designated patsy.

Meanwhile, as independent researchers uncover facts contrary to the patsy myth, new features are added and spun into the original storyline in an attempt to mend and keep it alive. The altered story is then broadcast globally by radio, television and major newspapers and magazines.

Simultaneously, perpetrator-friendly managing editors publish and broadcast fabricated stories that discredit the researchers for revealing damaging evidence. If these revelators can be character assassinated by the media, then the public will turn against them and refuse to listen to new evidence. Like mending the original story, *ad hominem* help keep the official story alive.

With the 9th anniversary of 9/11, expect to see documentaries that demonize legitimate researchers and groups that continue to investigate the many facets of the crime that have never fit the Bush administration's "conspiracy theory". As evidence started to stream in, a second theory was born: that the Bush administration participated in 9/11 or let it happen. As even more evidence came in, a third theory was born: that 9/11 was instead an inside job, and that a patsy crime was unfolding, blaming foreign nationals for the crime in a ruse to escape prosecution.

Conspiracy theories must be put to the test. Each will live or die based on the preponderance of circumstantial evidence and eye witness testimony that can be produced to bolster the theory. The Bush administration's conspiracy theory has been peddled as an "official truth", not to be discredited. Revelators are denounced as "conspiracy theorists", who have no credibility and whose ideas and evidence should be shunned. Honing public prejudice works very well. Many people condescend immediately upon any expression of doubt about the day one theory.

The Bush administration's day one theory goes as follows: evil, lowly cavemen from half way around the world, armed with box cutters and plastic knives, and trained with near magical flying skills², successfully eluded the most advanced state of the art military machine that has ever existed, and attacked the world's innocent and benevolent super power. The public needs to ascertain, whether or not, if this theory can hold up under scrutiny. Theory one: did foreign nationals commit 9/11? Theory two: did the Bush administration participate in the crime? Theory three: was 9/11 an inside job, complete with a patsy to take the blame? People must weigh the evidence for themselves to find the truth. A good place to start is by going back to the morning of September 11, 2001 and review what happened.

At 8:46 a.m. ET, a jetliner plowed into the north tower of the World Trade Center. At that moment in Washington, DC, CIA Director George Tenet and David Boren, former

chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, were having breakfast at the St. Regis Hotel three blocks from the White House. Within a few minutes aides converged on their table. One of them told Tenet that the World Trade tower had just been attacked by an airplane. Boren said, "I was struck by the fact he used the word 'attacked'." Tenet was not so surprised. In fact, after a brief cell phone call, he blurted to his entourage, "This has bin Laden's fingerprints all over it."³

How did Tenet know this was not an accident? How did he know this was a deliberate "attack" before the second plane strike? How did he seemingly solve this crime before anyone knew it was a crime? Sherlock Holmes would have been hard pressed to beat this detective work. Was some other operation in play? If a patsy crime was in process, then we could expect that the corporate media would soon parrot Tenet, first with allegations and unconfirmed reports, followed by "apparent confirmations by high-level government officials". Let's see what happened.

At 9:03 a.m. ET, the south tower of the World Trade Center was struck by a second plane. This was only 17 minutes after the north tower strike, giving the world time to turn on their televisions to witness a second strike and an obvious crime in progress. In patsy crimes the public is given little time to speculate. The shock is allowed to settle in for just a few minutes before offering up the patsy for sacrifice, not too crudely, but with the sophistication of gentle suggestions and perceptual nudges that lead the public to false foregone conclusions. CBS was the first to strike.

At 9:16 a.m. ET, a mere 13 minutes after the second strike, reporter Jim Stewart said that he had been talking to FBI headquarters when the second plane hit. They were discussing the fact that the World Trade Center was a target before, and the FBI or anyone in intelligence would not be surprised if it has been a target again. Stewart said that for some time the intelligence community had kept a "steady drumbeat" of discussion around Osama bin Laden. They hadn't heard from him since the first of the year, at the time of the USS Cole incident. They have been wondering when and if he would strike again, believing that it was just a matter of time before he struck again. Stewart said that the FBI had "no confirmation" but that right now this is their "working premise".⁴ Only nine more minutes passed before the second network implicated bin Laden.

At 9:25 a.m. ET, the FOX television team was talking about the World Trade Center bombing in 1993 and the concern of terrorist events, especially since the inauguration of the G.W. Bush administration, and "of course the name of Osama bin Laden was greatly mentioned..."⁵ FOX didn't expand on why the Bush Whitehouse was preoccupied with terrorism. With the collapse of the Soviet Union in late 1991, the Pentagon lost its *casus belli*. A *war on terrorism* quickly became the new *casus belli*, an evil force to fight against, which has kept the Pentagon budget rising instead of falling. Military contractors get to stay rich at the expense of peace time spending, which constitutes a big story in itself. NBC was the next to soft reference Tenet's culprit.

At 9:32 a.m. ET, NBC anchors were saying that there had been no specific threat, no specific terror alert other than a world-wide caution reissued in recent days because of strife in the Middle East, due to concern over terrorists... "Of course the best known is Osama bin Laden."⁶ The next media giant doesn't weigh in until 52 minutes after the second tower strike.

At 9:55 a.m. ET, CNN reporter Jamie MacIntyre says that Washington is starting with the assumption that Osama bin Laden was involved:

"I talked to an administration official shortly after the President delivered his statement [9:30 a.m.], he said obviously the operating assumption here is terrorism. The initial assumption this official said was that this had something to do, or least they were looking into any possible connections with Osama bin Laden, the administration recently released a warning that they thought Osama bin Laden might strike out against US targets."⁷

In the following days nearly everyone in the Bush administration claimed that they were clueless, as to any impending attack. This was in response to criticism that if they knew, then why didn't they respond immediately. Instead, for instance, intercept fighter jets were kept out of range until the whole event was over. ABC news, as the others, also reported forewarning of an impending attack.

At 10:30 a.m. ET, ABC's John Miller reported that there was constant intelligence on terrorism, specifically acts financed by Osama bin Laden, and that he was trying to mount another series of attacks against the United States. The World Trade Center was a symbolic target to alleged Middle East terrorist because it had been attacked before but not brought down.⁸ Other channels echoed that same line, implying that Osama bin Laden believed he could finish the job, bring the towers down by hitting them with planes.

In reality, no plane has ever struck and taken down a steel framed building. In 1945, a US Air Force B52 bomber flew into the Empire State Building in dense fog causing significant damage but the structural integrity of the building was not threatened. Decades later, the twin towers were built with this in mind. Engineers added extra strength, perhaps unnecessarily, to the towers substructure. Yet, this leading story gives the public the false impression that planes can destroy steel buildings.

Watch the ABC 9/11 stream feed. Peter Jennings is clearly dismayed by what he is witnessing and repeatedly calls a controlled demolition. In their close up rerun of the falling tower, anyone can see serially descending blowouts running ahead of the collapse. This is another huge story in itself.

Here, we are looking at patsy crimes and the need to preclude a forensic examination, which would expose the real perpetrators. Remember that after 9/11, ground zero was roped off, not for a crime scene investigation, but to remove all the material evidence. Who had the power to stop the judicially required crime scene investigation? Who allowed for the tampering and destruction of evidence, which is a federal crime? To block federal proceedings implies that people exist, who have power over the federal government and the city of New York. Such people are referred to in intelligence circles as the high cabal, the gentry, the secret power elite, or the secret government.

Patsy crimes serve the elite. Researchers who become detectives and snoop around their crimes are a threat to the cover story. The coming anniversary of 9/11 will probably include, once again, derogatory fanfare about *conspiracy buffs* and how they are linked to the *conspiracy theorists* who refuse to give up on the President Kennedy assassination, back on November 22, 1963. Continuous cover-ups require continuous *ad hominem* and demonizing to keep the public covered and wary of ostracism, so as not to question authority and speak out (a fourth element of patsy crimes). A forensic crime scene investigation was thwarted then as well. The limousine Kennedy was riding in was quickly swept away for refurbishing, hiding bullet holes and destroying other forensic evidence that would have proven a conspiracy, again committing the federal crime of destruction of evidence.

Just after noon, John F. Kennedy was shot at from multiple sniper sites. A head shot from the grassy knoll blew open his skull and spewed brain matter over the back of the car and onto a motorcycle policeman riding just to the left and behind the President's limousine. Kennedy was pronounced dead at 12:25 p.m. at Parkland General Hospital. Like 9/11, only minutes passed before a suspect was named. Lee Harvey Oswald was picked and accused of killing Dallas police officer J.D. Tippett, but the media was already spreading rumors that he may have had something to do with the Kennedy killing.

At the Pentagon, Colonel L. Fletcher Prouty was normally in charge of protecting the President, but oddly he was sent to the South Pole on an unusual diplomatic mission, one that normally would be assigned to a junior officer. The normal protection for Kennedy was called off. At the time Kennedy was killed, Prouty was returning home by way of Christ-

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church, New Zealand. He picked up a *Christchurch Star* newspaper, a special edition put out to cover the Kennedy assassination. The headlines read that Lee Harvey Oswald was the killer. The front page was full of incriminating information and included a biography of Oswald. Prouty later realized that he had been reading the extra at the same time Dallas Police were arresting Oswald. In response to this peculiarity, Prouty wrote: "There can be but one answer: those in charge of the murder had prepared the patsy and all of that intimate information beforehand."⁹

In patsy crimes, the frame-up story is given to chief editors of the news conglomerates, who then feed the story to subsidiary outlets. Most often, only key figures know what is happening. In fact, controlling the key positions of power in any organization is critical to controlling that organization, whether it is media, business, or government. We learn this from a former Central Intelligence Agency director who spent his life at the top of power putting people into key positions. His name was Allen Dulles. For those interested in the intricacies of such power management, you might want to read his book: *The Craft of Intelligence*.

Once the frame-up is prepared, and the crime is committed, the villain is pronounced. No one is to question the proclamation. Those who offer a different view risk being demonized and ostracized. How would you like to be labelled a terrorist and *disappeared* without rights of due process as the government has been doing since 9/11? G.W. Bush made it clear: "You are either with us or you are with the terrorists." With the draconian *Patriot Acts* in place and the anti-terrorist legislation in place in Canada, anyone can be dubbed a terrorist, arrested, and sent to a secret prison indefinitely for questioning the dictator's proclamation.

By the end of the day of September 11, almost everyone in the world who saw it on television believed that Osama bin Laden was the perpetrator, and in the days that followed the drum beat grew strong to attack Afghanistan, the alleged home of the cave-dwelling terrorists.

Osama bin Laden was not tried for 9/11, and the FBI has admitted that they never had any real evidence against him. If you go to the FBI website, you will find a wanted poster of bin Laden, but he is not wanted for 9/11. On his culpability the last word might be given to Vice-President Dick Cheney, who stated in a 2006 interview: "So we've never made the case, or argued the case that somehow Osama bin Laden was directly involved in 9/11. That evidence has never been forthcoming."¹⁰ The Bush administration knew he was innocent. They are now out of office, but the gentry-controlled media have continued their inquisition against devil-like *conspiracy theorists*. This is why looking at the bigger picture is so important.

Patsy crimes cannot be understood as isolated events. Both the killing of Kennedy and 9/11 weave into the same historical matrix of global domination. To understand this bigger picture around Kennedy's death, one might start by reading Prouty's 1992 book: *JFK, the CIA, Vietnam and the Plot to Assassinate John F. Kennedy*. Prouty was also Creative Advisor for the film "JFK" and was the original for "Man X" character played by Canadian actor Donald Sutherland. The film has very little fiction, which makes it a must for viewing. Another important book for study is by former New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison: *On The Trail of the Assassins*, written in 1988.

For wider implications of 9/11 and the Pentagon's plan for "full spectrum dominance", one might explore books by David Ray Griffin. Consider visiting professor Michel Chossudovsky's website Global Research and read articles from the section "9/11 and the war on terrorism". Also, see Alex Jones' website Prison Planet. Go to GlobalOutlook.ca and read their 10 eye-opening magazines on 9/11. Do a web search for Architects and Engineers for 9/11 Truth. Last May, scientist Steven Jones discovered super-thermite in dust samples retained from many sites on ground zero and from buildings nearby. Super thermite is a demolition explosive available only to the Pentagon. Why would the Pentagon be involved in rigging 9/11? The answer lies in reading books that focus on the "big picture", like those cited above.

As to the question, was Osama bin Laden another patsy? Dick Cheney effectively answered this question. If there is no evidence against him but he is blamed for the crime, does this not constitute a patsy crime? You decide. Many people still don't realize that the alleged confession tapes turned out to be fakes. The high cabal is betting that the public will help them demonize and drown out dissent. Name-calling enlivens hate and entices the public to form ideological witch hunts. Those who listen to and watch only corporate radio and television are the most vulnerable to enlistment. The privatized corporate media, as opposed to constitutionally guaranteed freedom of the press public controlled media, is in the business of propaganda not truth. Their false sirens of serfdom fill the air waves with the primacy of safety and security as protective authoritarianism at the expense of freedom and justice.

Benjamin Franklin admonished the populace to fight for democracy: "Anyone who trades liberty for security deserves neither."

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—Ron MacIsaac

Crocodile Tears, the NDP and HST – A Wake-Up Call

By Tim Pheotist

We're well acquainted with the reptilian characteristics of Premier Campbell and his army of toads. It's actually something of an insult to one of the oldest species on the planet to compare Campbell to a gator.

So, your angry economist will leave our premier alone for the moment. It's not always about you, Gordon!!

This piece is about another bunch of crocodiles. Crocodiles who will soon dehydrate themselves to an untimely demise if they cry any more crocodile tears.

We know these crying creatures by a more familiar name – the NDP!!

Now before you turn the page to find a description of the NDP that provides a more cuddly image, read on.

This economist believes in the NDP animal. He sees nothing but cruising Great Whites in the Liberal and Conservative tanks, mindlessly chomping down on the bleeding flesh of Canada's fatty middle class.

So what's with the crocodile tears image attached to our beloved NDP? Only this.

The dishonest, tepid and directionless opposition to the introduction of the HST.

HST is a massive fraud on the people of British Columbia. In very simple terms it gives Gordon even more money to send to any further P3 partners with whom he may be lurching.

Big Business is thrilled with this government collection effort on their behalf. It's not the reduced accounting load that will save them a few dollars. It's the massive opportunity to collect revenue for the government which in turn will send that revenue right back to Big Business – P3s, privatization sell-offs, etc.

We expect that tax revues will be spent by our elected governments on public needs and projects. If we don't like how our dollars are being spent, we vote in a new government.

Of course that's not possible with the P3 formula. We don't get to vote for the private company or its CEO and we don't get to undo the contract that Gordon made when he sold the public interest for private profit.

So, the HST windfall will end up in private pockets. If you think Gordon ever intended to use the extra revenue to spend on public services I've got a bridge to sell you.

Along with this massive tax increase comes endless, inhuman public sector budget cuts. Explain that. More tax revenue – fewer services. As they say – follow the money. The HST is a fraud and is all the more repugnant for the way in which it was sold to us. It really was not difficult to explain why this change in tax formulation was unnecessary and confiscatory.

We look to our friends in the Opposition. Our NDP. We've got good explainers and top flight economists. We know how many beans make five.

But all we got was crocodile tears and hand wringing. Simply, the NDP did not agree with HST. They whispered this position, thunderously, hoping no one would hear them.

Why the whisper? Because secretly, and now openly, our NDP pets have no intention of reversing the HST process or changing the tax formulation, if they are ever fortunate enough to warm the government benches again.

Of course no government or opposition in waiting will ever act to seriously reduce government revenue and HST is

here to stay. But we need to hear loud and clear from our NDP that it will spend this tax windfall very differently from Gordon's government.

We need to hear that taxes will be spent for the public good – not to finance private profit.

It cannot be that the public purse is fattened at the same time that Joe Public is skinned and starved.

We need to hear great plans from the NDP, now, about how it intends to rebuild public trust and infrastructure.

Only government and public enterprise is big enough and can look far enough into the future to create and maintain our communication systems, our roads, our ferries, our power, our water, our healthcare services – i.e. everything that we take for granted and that we use every day.

Joe Public trusts and uses the infrastructure that the taxes are intended to fund. Big Business steals the infrastructure to make private profit for a few.

Government can look generations ahead. Big Business can look no further ahead than the next three months.

It's a simple concept and our NDP needs to hammer this point at every opportunity.

Instead of drowning us all with NDP tears, let's hear how the NDP will spend our money to the advantage of Gordon's disadvantaged and to the advantage generations to come.

How about making a start? Commit to recapture our ferry system for the public good.

Commit to recapture control of our power suppliers from private profit.

Commit sufficient funds to keep our healthcare system publicly viable and available.

Make your own list and send it to your NDP candidates. Ask what they will do to restore us to a civilized society that recognizes that the streets were intended for walking and not as space to erect cardboard box homes for the suffering and the mentally ill.

But let's not forget that business and enterprise are also vital to a civilized, progressive society. Discovery and innovation are critical to our development. We must encourage enterprise that contributes to the public good and we must provide fair reward for effort.

This means we must support enterprise by entirely denouncing exploitative business practices that add nothing to the wealth of society.

These are the points that our NDP must begin to make more loudly, in the press, in the unions and to the next generation.

Without such a campaign of intent, our NDP will be as crocodiles – mindlessly snapping and generally blind to any world but the swamp in which they have always existed. So wake up NDP!!

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