

A.C. Frieden Visits Pentagon After 9/11 Attack

WASHINGTON, DC, USA (Oct. 20, 2001) – A month after the attack on the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., author A.C. Frieden visited the crash site of American Airlines flight 77. Damage to the west side of the Pentagon is significant and some smoke can still be seen rising from the debris. Hydraulic shovels and cranes continue to tear down parts of the demolished structure as workers inside take on the tedious task of emptying the contents of each floor. The attack killed 189 people, including 64 passengers of the doomed flight.

Investigators stated that terrorists hijacked the Los Angeles-bound commercial airliner shortly after takeoff from nearby Dulles airport. Although the diverted plane could have flown on a direct path to the Pentagon, which would have taken only a few minutes, the plane instead flew a indirect route for over an hour before striking the Pentagon.





(above left) Frieden stands in front of the damaged Pentagon about one month after the attack. (above right) A close-up of the damage.

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