# Evidence for *Controlled Deception*: A Long List of Observations - Part I

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## Abstract

In this paper we provide evidence of deliberate deception by groups purporting to call for "truth" in 9/11 investigations. We show there are clear patterns of misdirection, quote mining/slaloming, misleading comparisons, propaganda tactics, appeals to authority and other signs of deception too long to list in this abstract. We believe a careful review of the evidence will show that these groups are manipulating their readers with half truths for religious proselytizing and political gain.


## Introduction

In recent years, the 9/11 conspiracy theorists have launched an aggressive PR campaign questioning the U.S. governments roll in the events on that sad and terrifying day. Conspiracy theorists have invaded many message boards and forums and have enlisting readers as unwitting spokesmen. This technique has been somewhat effective to the point radio hosts are reluctantly airing some of their views. They have a spokes person who has gone on the talk show circuit to "Educate" the public. But are the leaders of this movement and issues they raise credible?

## Observations

### 1) Quote Slaloming/Mining

Quote mining is a term used to describe people who dig up any quote which may support their case while leaving out quotes which hurt it. They use quotes out of context. Evidence of quote mining is seen below.

> "Seven minutes before the collapse, battalion chief Palmer is heard to say "Ladder 15, we've got two isolated pockets of fire. We should be able to knock it down with two lines." The widow of Chief Palmer was allowed to hear the tape before excerpts were released by the Times. She said:
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> I didn't hear fear, I didn't hear panic. When the tape is made public to the world, people will hear that they all went about their jobs without fear, and selflessly.
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> Palmer called for a pair of engine companies to fight the fires. The fact that veteran firefighters showed no sign of fear or panic, and had a coherent plan for fighting the fire, contradicts the official explanation of the collapses that the fires were so hot and extensive that they weakened the steel structure. "

The glaringly logical problems with using Orio Palmers quote are.

> Orio Palmer was in the South Staircase (Adam) on the South Tower which was not damaged because of large, heavily constructed elevator equipment which protected it.
> It's not unreasonable to expect two small fires on a floor where only a wing tip entered.
> What was above those floors is the question not answered by the fireman's quote.
> The 78th floor was a sky lobby which didn't have much office furniture to catch fire.
> If there were two small fires on the 78th floor where just a wing tip entered, what must the 81st floor be like where the nose of the aircraft hit?
> If there were small fires on the 78th floor just before collapse, does that mean the 78th floor never had larger fires?
> If he was in the staircase which is in the core, how would he know the perimeter columns were about to get pulled in?
> If he did see the building was about to collapse, why would they predict he would get on the radio instead of take immediate action to save his life?
> Why do they think the visibility from the smoke of two small fires were such that he could see to the four corners of the building?

Why are they using this quote as a ruler by which to measure the whole building? This quote was obviously chosen to give the reader the impression that there were only small fires throughout the event.[1]

But what is telling is the characterization of the quote. The writer says it "contradicts the official explanation". This is a mischaracterization even if the building only had two small fires at the time. The NIST said the trusses heated and expanded early on. Then as the fires moved on, the trusses cooled and contracted pulling the perimeter columns in. If the fires were almost out just before the building collapsed, it doesn't contradict the NIST report, it confirms it.[2]

Conspiracy sites say there were small fires in Building 7. They use Silverstein's comments in the PBS special 'America Rebuilds' making the suggestion he unwittingly exposed the plot and confessed. He used the term "Pull" to describe a decision made. Conspiracy theorists say "Pull" is a term used by demolition experts. But demolition experts use the term "Pull" when they "Pull" a building in one direction with cables during demolition. However, was Silverstein's quote taken out of context?

Silverstein's Quote:

> "**I remember getting a call from the Fire Department commander, telling me** they were not sure they were gonna be able to contain the fire, and I said, you know, 'We've had such terrible loss of life, maybe **the smartest thing to do is just pull it.' And they made that decision to pull and then we watched the building collapse.**"

What we do have for sure.

1. **Silverstein is not a demolition expert** and was **talking to a fire fighter and not a demolition expert.** Why would he use the word "Pull" to describe a demolition to a fire fighter?
2. **Silverstein denies "Pull" means "Controlled demolition".** He said it means "Pull" the people out of the area.
3. **Silverstein did not make the decision to "Pull".** "**they** made that decision to pull and we watched the building collapse" is the quote.
4. **Another fire fighter used "Pull"** to describe the decision made to get him out of the building.
5. **A fire fighter admitted to being the one who made the decision.** "I ordered the evacuation of an area sufficient around to protect our members" – Chief Daniel Nigro
6. Demolition experts use the word "Pull" to describe **a building which is being pulled away from another building using cables**. There is no evidence of cables being used in the collapse.
7. Why would the decision to demolish the building be **based on "such terrible loss of life"?**
8. If Silverstein did commit this incredible crime **why would he calmly tell everyone during a TV interview?**
9. Why was the collapse zone **cleared by 2:30** if they knew it was going to be **blown up after 5:00?**

References for above:[3]

Conspiracy theorists quote firemen saying they heard explosions. Many of the quotes also point to the possible cause of the explosive sound. They either remove that part of the quote which hurts their case or bury it in a mountain of quotes. Some use a technique I call "Quote Slaloming". They slalom though a sentence carefully avoiding any words which hurt their case. An example of "Quote Slaloming is below.

> "When we got to about 50 feet from the South Tower, we heard the most eerie sound that you would ever hear. A high-pitched noise and a popping noise made everyone stop. We all looked up. At the point, it all let go...
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> ...There was an explosion and the whole top leaned toward us and started coming down. I stood there for a second in total awe, and then said, "What the F###?" I honestly thought it was Hollywood."

Here is the part conspiracy theorists leave out.

> "When we got to about 50 ft from the South Tower, we heard the most eerie sound that you would ever hear. A high-pitched noise and a popping noise made everyone stop. We all looked up. At the point, it all let go. **The way I see it, it had to be the rivets.** The

> building let go, there was an explosion and the whole top leaned toward us and started coming down. I stood there for a second in total awe, and then said, "What the F###?" I honestly thought it was Hollywood."[4]

He also says he thinks the sounds made were the result of rivets popping and not bombs. A 5/8" bolts snapping might sound like a rivet. It's not unreasonable to assume he didn't know how the building was built at the time of the interview so he leaned toward something he knew. Interestingly, the NIST said most of the failures were at the bolts and other connections as the floors collapsed.[5] Explosives don't usually make a "high pitch popping noise".

Firemens' quotes are routinely taken out of context. The most prevalent examples are of firemen saying they heard explosions. I have little doubt they did as an acre of concrete, steel and office furniture should make an explosive sound when it crashes down on another. Steel bolts snapping can make an explosive sound all by themselves.[6]

Firemen explaining what they thought they heard give logical answers to explain them. "**I equate it to the building cowing down and pushing things down, it could have been electrical explosions, it could have been whatever." - "The way I see it, it had to be the rivets." - "...what I thought was an explosion at the time, but was the first collapse**."[7] [8]

A video Filmed by Jules and Gedeon Naudet is shown on just about every conspiracy web site which shows a few firemen discussing what they heard and saw.

> fireman2: We made it outside; we made it about a block.
> fireman1: We made it at least 2 blocks.
> fireman2: 2 blocks.
> fireman1: and we started runnin'
> fireman2: poch-poch-poch-poch-poch-poch-poch
> fireman1: **Floor by floor it started poppin' out** ...
> fireman2: **It was as if as if** they had detonated, det...
> fireman1: yea detonated yea
> fireman2: **as if** they had planned to take down a building, boom-boom-boom-boom-boom-boom-boom-boom...

In the context of reading it off a conspiracy site this may sound like damming evidence. They are saying "detonated" and "they had planned to take down a building". They even say "Boom" to describe the sound. But if you hear the other things they're saying, their body language and context outside the conspiracy theory setting, something else emerges. Before or after every description is "**As if**". "**As if** they had planned to take down a building". "**It was as if as if** they had detonated". They also use body language to show it was the sound of the floors crashing into one another.

boom- (hand moves down)
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boom- (hand moves down)
boom- (hand moves down)…

This could be used as evidence of pancaking. But the real evidence isn't so much examining the video as examining the actions taken, or NOT taken, by the NYC Fire Department after the event. The NYC Fire Department hasn't rallied its members to force an investigation into the possible U.S. government murder of over 300 of its members. Some sites offer an explanation of this saying there was a gag order placed on the Fire Department. The only place you will find this is on conspiracy theory sites. No mention from the main stream press about the hundreds if not thousands of firemen on the scene not being allowed to talk. It's absurd.

**2) Selective Photo Illustrations – poor resolution and/or one sided interpretations of evidence**

Conspiracy theorists often use photos which bolster their case while ignoring images which in some cases clearly contradict it. No example is more illustrative of this practice than Building 7. Almost every conspiracy site, including "*scholars*" (*Scholars* for 911 *Truth*) papers, show photos of the north side of Building 7. Note the following photos.

To the left is a photo from one of Professor Jones versions of his paper. Professor Jones is a physicist from BYU and founder of "*Scholars* for 911 *Truth*." Note the tall building in the background. It's the south side of building 7 taken from the south east. It is in the morning as the sunlight on the east face attests. This grainy photo is used to suggest the fires on the south side weren't heavy enough to cause a collapse. It seems to be taken just after the collapse.

Here is another photo from the same version of Professor Jones paper. This is to illustrate what building 7 looked like before the attacks.

As you can see, most of Building 7 cannot be seen in the photo above. The south side is completely covered by a dark haze. But the most important part of the building, the part where firemen said was a 18-20 storey hole, is covered by WTC 5, the black building in front of it.

The image to the right shows the 47 storey building. The two dark levels in the middle of the building are on about the 22th to 24th floor. Below that level would have been the hole with fires on multiple levels as seen by firemen.

The question is, is the photo used by Professor Jones illustrative of how the building looked all day?

This was taken from the west. The black building on the right is Building 6. The building which is barely visible in the upper left is Building 7. Note the tremendous amount of smoke coming from this side of the building.

This is Building 7 later in the day. Firemen are still in the area. It is reasonable to conclude this was before they pulled the firemen away from the area waiting for it to collapse.[9] Building 6 is also on fire in front of 7 but the wind was traveling to the south east that day and away from building 7 as the image below illustrates.

Yet conspiracy theorists use photos which only show small amounts of fire seen through the windows of the north side or east.

There are even clearer photos of just how intense the fire was on the south side.

The selective use of photo and video evidence is not limited to Building 7. Photos of the towers fires at different stages/intensities are also used to suggest that the fires were not intense enough to weaken the structural steel in the towers. As if one photo from one face of the building and at one point in time depicts the entire event. That's obvious to anyone seriously investigating this.

Photos of events in motion like the collapse of a tower are taken out context. The photo below is from a paper suggesting this is evidence of controlled demolition.


***Figure 5-29*** *The tower is 63 meters (207 ft) wide. The red arrow points to pieces of the tower that have been thrown* ***at least 70 meters****. Why didn't the pieces simply* ***fall down****? Why were they* ***ejected*** *with such force?*

Under this photo is the following statement.

> Notice also that most of the steel flung out appears to be straight. If the building had been destroyed by gravity one would expect much of the steel to be buckled.

Yet anyone seriously investigating this would conclude the objects being pointed at are not "Steel" but Aluminum Cladding.[10]

Other photos are shown where the writer suggests material is flying up, suggesting that an explosive is the only way this effect could have been created. What we are really seeing is the results of a sequence of events in motion when the photo was snapped.

As the top fell straight down, the debris was sucked down with negative pressure behind the falling mass. Like ship passengers getting sucked down over a sinking ship, the debris directly above the falling mass was sucked down. At this same moment, the perimeter walls were getting pushed out by the falling mass in large sections. Debris was still falling off the sections of column trees as they leaned out. All this was happening in the moment in which the photo was snapped or the video frame snapshot was taken. This created a look that may have SEEMED like things exploded up/out in a photograph but didn't. Anyone looking at the videos and not just the photos would know this.

Conspiracy Theorists often cherry-pick photos which they use as evidence. The photo below was cherry-picked to support the use of a thermite cutting charge.

Under the photo it says:

> There is substantial evidence that thermite was used to cut the central support columns, which caused the towers to fall.
>
> Evidence can be seen on photographs of the columns from the rubble of the World Trade Center.
>
> In this photo, for example, the column directly above the fireman's helmet shows that it was cut with thermite. There is a substantial amount of hardened molten iron which can be seen on both the inside and outside of the box column. This is precisely what one would expect to find on a column which had been cut with thermite.
>
> Experts who have viewed this photograph say that this column was not cut with a torch.

But is there any evidence ironworkers cut the column?


This photo directly contradicts the contention made by the conspiracy theorist. Here we have an angled cut with gray slag. What expert said that the cut in the first photo wasn't made by ironworkers?

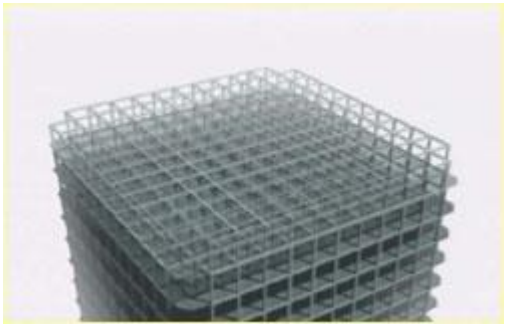
But what's really telling is where the photo came from. The same place the conspiracy theorists got theirs.[11]

**3) Misleading comparisons**

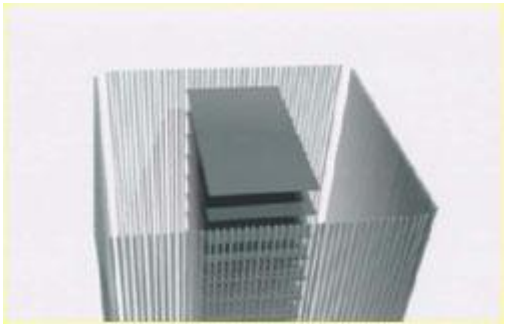
The comparisons used by some conspiracy theorists to suggest steel frame buildings couldn't collapse due to fire are misleading. The first photos (Below) that were used as comparisons are of steel reinforced concrete buildings. They also weren't as tall as these mammoth 110 and 47 story WTC buildings. During an earthquake, the small building came off its foundation and fell over. The reinforced concrete held the much lighter building together.[12] The WTC buildings however, are not reinforced concrete buildings. Though some joints were welded, they are basically steel bolted together like an erector set.[13] The conspiracy theorists know this distinction because they have detailed construction points on their web sites.


Other comparisons are made of buildings which caught fire but never collapsed. The reason these buildings didn't collapse are explained in the very web sites they get their photos from. As with other comparisons, construction was very different. They had a steel web design where the steel was evenly spread out. The towers were a "Tube in a Tube" design with steel was closely spaced together on the perimeter. Its steel was moved to the perimeter of the building. Some of the comparisons had passive fireproofing which weren't blown off by the impact of an airliner at over 500 miles an hour. They had all their steel intact. Some had fires fought and even extinguished by fire fighting efforts. Yet even not being hit by an airliner and with all its fireproofing and constructed differently, many had local collapses.


The suggestion alone is deceptive since unprotected steel framed buildings have fallen from fire.[14]

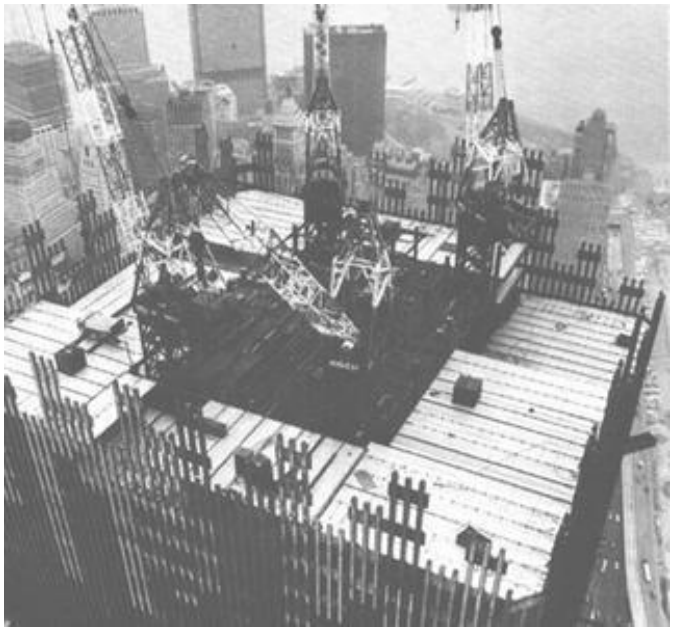


Steel web - Conspiracy theorists comparisons

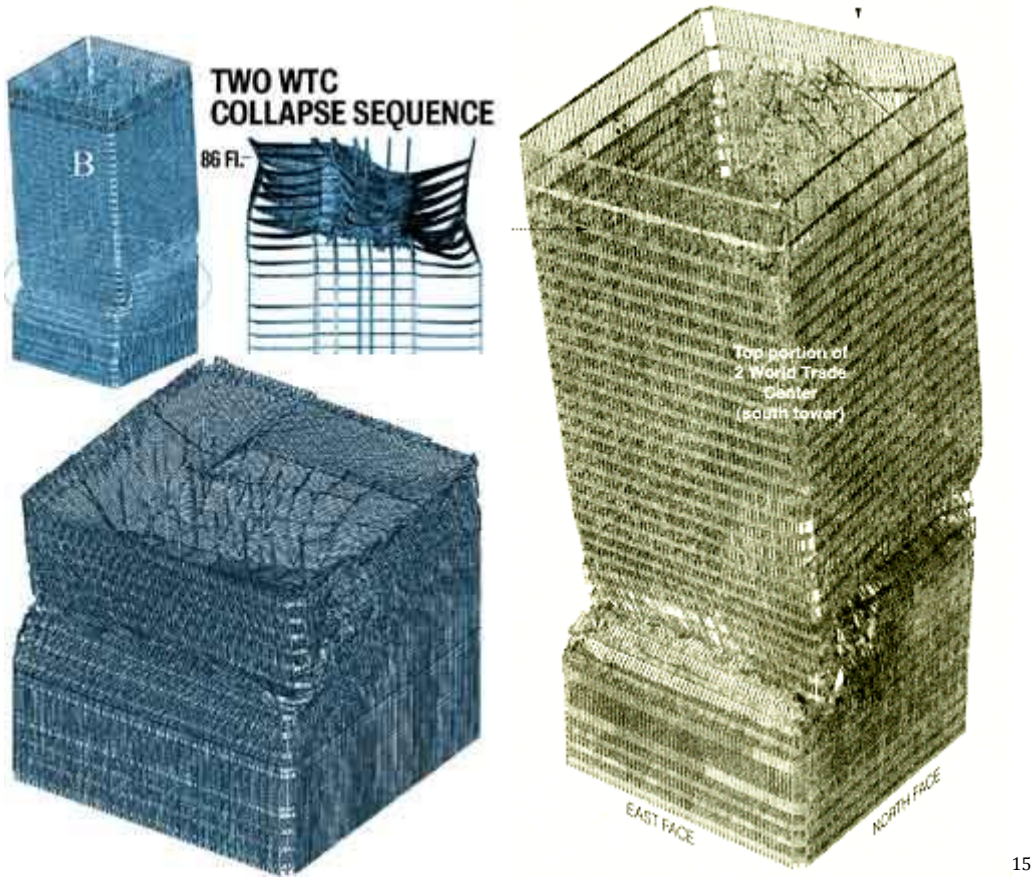


"Tube in a Tube" - WTC towers

Towers construction:



Collapse:

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It is very unlike the buildings compared, both in construction and circumstance.

**4) Conflation of different collapse studies as the "Official Story"**

There have been a number of studies written by different Professors of Civil Engineering. One of the first was "Why Did the World Trade Center Collapse? –A simple analysis" by Z. P. Bazant and Y. Zhou. Bazant is a Professor at Northwestern University. It passed peer-review in the Journal of Engineering Mechanics (Jan/2002 - American Society of Civil Engineers), The purpose of this paper was never to be the ruler by which to measure the NIST or any other study. In fact it says "

> Once accurate computer calculations are carried out, various details of the failure mechanism will doubtless be found to differ from the present simplifying hypotheses. **Errors by a factor of 2 would not be terribly surprising, but that would hardly matter since the present analysis reveals order-of-magnitude differences between the dynamic loads and the structural resistance.**
>
> There have been many interesting, but intuitive, competing explanations of the collapse. To decide their viability, however, it is important to do at least some crude calculations. For example, it has been suggested that the connections of the floor-supporting trusses to the framed tube columns were not strong enough. Maybe they were not, but even if they were it would have made no difference, as shown by the present simple analysis.
>
> **The main purpose of the present analysis is to prove that the whole tower must have collapsed if the fire destroyed the load capacity of the majority of columns of a single floor.** This purpose justifies the optimistic simplifying assumptions regarding survival made at the outset, which include unlimited plastic ductility (i.e., absence of fracture), uniform distribution of impact forces among the columns, disregard of various complicating details (e.g., the possibility that the failures of floor-column connections and of core columns preceded the column and tube failure, or that the upper tube got wedged inside the lower tube), etc. If the tower is found to fail under these very optimistic assumptions, it will certainly be found to fail when all the detailed mechanisms are analyzed, especially since there are order-of-magnitude differences between the dynamic loads and the structural resistance.

1) There is nothing "Official" about this paper. It has nothing to do with the U.S. government investigation.
2) Bazant and Zhou expected to have errors.
3) This paper was not written as an investigation into the detailed mechanics of the collapse as the NIST report was.
4) This paper was written in 2002 just after the collapse and before anyone had time to investigate the evidence thoroughly. It's absurd to judge the NIST report by this paper.

Recently, Bazant has written a new paper called "Mechanics of Progressive Collapse: Learning from World Trade Center and Building Demolitions"[16]

> *As generally accepted by structural engineering and structural mechanics experts (though not by some laymen and fanatics seeking to detect a conspiracy), the failure scenario, broadly proposed by Bazant (2001), and Bazant and Zhou (2002), on the basis of simplified analysis, and supported by very realistic, meticulous and illuminating computer simulations and exhaustive investigations by S. Shyam Sunder's team at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST, 2005), may be summarized as follows:*

He is well aware of what conspiracy theorists are saying yet he agrees with the NIST report.

Another study pointed to by conspiracy theorists is a paper written by Thomas W. Eagar, Professor of Materials Engineering and Materials Systems SB Metallurgy and graduate student Christopher Musso of MIT called "Why Did the World Trade Center Collapse? Science, Engineering, and Speculation"[17] It passed peer-review in JOM. This is another paper which is considered by conspiracy theorists as "Official". This paper and its authors also have nothing to do with the government. Though they get government grants as many universities do, none was given for this paper or the Journal that peer-reviewed it. They exist in the conspiracy story to provide quotes which are straw men or taken out of context. For instance, one of the arguments is that the fires weren't hot enough to melt steel. They use the quotes from Eager to show that jet fuel couldn't account for the steel melting. Yet the NIST never said the steel melted. It didn't have to melt. It simply had to weaken, and as Bazant points out, the temperatures the NIST did find were enough to weaken the steel enough to collapse the building. Structural and civil engineers in the world who has studied the collapse and made public statements agreeing with the NIST report. Of the structural and civil engineers who have studied the conspiracy theories and made public statements, NOT ONE has supported it. The proof is not one paper by ANYONE has passed peer review in a respected civil engineering Journal saying the towers couldn't have collapsed as the NIST suggests. NOT ONE.

There are many more structural and civil engineers who have studied the collapse. None suggest the towers could not have collapsed as the NIST suggests.[18]

Conspiracy theorists also call the PBS special "Why the Towers fell." an "Official" account. This special was also created shortly after the collapse and before all the evidence was examined. Conspiracy theorists say the building collapses didn't happen due to the truss bolts failing, causing a pancake effect as the special suggested. While it's true the PBS special did suggest it could have happened that way, it also makes clear a more detailed study was needed to find the exact cause. They said the fire "**could** have caused the floor trusses to sag and fall."[19] This was one of the preliminary hypothesis civil engineers were leaning toward at the time of the special. The NIST NEVER took a position on the probable collapse hypothesis until mid 2005. The special and the NIST report have nothing to do with each other. The special is not a government report. The suggestion that PBS gets government funding and that is the motive for complicity in a mass

murder is weak at best. Not only would PBS be helping mass murderers but government funding was actually cut. [20]

The conspiracy theorist purpose seems to be to find quotes which they can turn into a contradiction to cast doubt on the NIST report. It is "Official" if it contradicts the conspiracy story. As Debunking 9/11 conspiracy theories has shown, the NIST report is comprehensive, logical, and supported by thousands of pieces of evidence gathered by expert investigators, whereas the conspiracy theories are piecemeal, relies heavily on logical fallacies, and not supported by evidence.

**5) No effort to enlist Civil Engineers**

The so called "Truth movement" hasn't made any effort to bring their research to Civil Engineers who would be experts in the field of building engineering. Words like "It's obvious" are used when describing the evidence for controlled demolition. Why do they use such words when not one civil engineer has come to their aid? In fact, not only have Civil Engineers not come to their aid but many have spoken out AGAINST the controlled demolition story.[21]

Conspiracy theorist say Structural and Civil Engineers haven't come out to support the controlled demolition because:

Civil Engineers can't believe the government would do this

They don't know the conspiracy theory exists

They fear being killed by the government

They fear losing their job

**They can't believe the government would do this**

This assumes the CE's think the government did this. Why would the scientist jump to the conclusion that the U.S. government was responsible? There are many other possibilities a scientist could think of, like Saddam working with Al Qaeda and hiring people to install the bombs. What about another country like North Korea? It could even be a home grown terrorist with no ties to the government.

**They don't know it exists**

This could be true. The 9/11 truth movement have been very busy enlisting politicians[22] and running Zogby polls.[23] They have little time to do things like reach out to civil engineers. Maybe

they think they'll learn about it as they see the "Bombs Blew up the Twin Towers" Tee shirts and bumper stickers?[24]

**They fear being killed by the government**
**They fear losing their jobs**

There are many ways to get a paper supporting Jones in to public. One way is becoming a "Deep Throat". Just as Mark Felt exposed crimes during Watergate, so can a civil engineer.[25] There are many journalists who could win a Pulitzer or other journalism award. Journalists around the world would jump at a "legitimate" inside job story. But what if you don't trust the media? What about through a third party or the internet? The point is, the CE's or their families could have been in the towers that day. According to the conspiracy theorists, they don't have a single Civil Engineer with a spine or the brains to get a message out anonymously.

Then again, CE's who fear the U.S. government wouldn't come out actively AGAINST the WTC controlled demolition theory as some have. You can expect someone afraid for their life/job to say "No comment", but not actively speak out against the conspiracy story. That's exactly what happened. Some of the most damning comments are from Professor Jones' own university.[26] Other prominent structural engineers have been critical of Jones's work in this area. [27] These people are quickly dismissed by the conspiracy theorists as co-conspirators.

**6) No effort to peer review in a mainstream scientific journal**

While they may be able to argue that it would be unlikely to get a paper peer reviewed in a main stream scientific journal, the conspiracy theorists haven't even tried to get peer reviewed in a true Journal. Instead they write papers for an "in house" journal they created. Why would they not at least try? They use "Obvious" to characterize the evidence for controlled demolition. If it were so obvious, you think they would figure it couldn't be denied by anyone. Instead they create a web site and link some of their PDF's calling them "Peer-Review". That's the problem; they are reviewed by their conspiracy theorist peers and not by experts in their field.

This Journal, "The Journal of Debunking 9/11 Conspiracy Theories" was created to show exactly how easy it is to put up a web site and call it a "Journal." However, our Journal is serious in the sense that the work within is carefully reviewed. The conspiracy theorists journal is not. No example is more glaring than Dixon/Scholars for 9/11 Truth" "The Flying Elephant: Evidence for Involvement of a Third Jet in the WTC Attacks" document.[28] It seems no effort whatsoever was made to examine this document for errors.

**Conclusion**

Conspiracy theorists may be able to explain some of these observations as sloppy research but together they follow a theme of purposeful deception. In each one of these cases important facts are left out and supplanted with suggestions of U.S. government conspiracies. They follow a pattern of mischaracterization, misinformation, misinterpretation of evidence, logical fallacies other

propagandist techniques. I can't find one example of something which isn't a clear error or logical fallacy easily exposed by the average laymen. I suggest no one can make this many errors without the goal of deliberately misleading people into believing controlled demolition.

This paper only scratches the surface the most prevalent conspiracy theories/stories and yet we find a clear theme of deception.

1) Quote mining/slaloming and mischaracterizing photos in an effort to claim the fires weren't hot enough to take down the buildings.
2) Quote mining and selective photographs misleading people to believe WTC 7 didn't have a severe fire.
3) Selective photographs and misapplied science to mislead people into believing thermite was used in the towers.
4) Selective photographs/video snapshots and misinterpretations misleading people into believing explosives were used.
5) Comparisons between the WTC buildings and other buildings in an effort to mislead people into believing they could not have collapsed the way the NIST said
6) Conflation of different studies which have passed peer-review in order to assassinate the character of anyone whose work confirms the NIST report.
7) No effort to enlist civil engineers in their movement showing they are not serious in finding the truth. This illustrates they do not have faith in their own research.
8) They have not tried to get peer-reviewed in any Civil Engineering Journal of impact. It becomes obvious they already know it will never pass critical review by experts in their relevant fields.

In this paper demonstrated the willfully deceptive tactics used by the 9/11 conspiracy movement, including quote mining, selective use of photographs and other evidence, and false comparisons with other building collapses. In Part II my colleague has extended this argument to demonstrate how the movement is driven by religion, as much as science and how they make false claims to expertise that they do not possess. He has also shown their propaganda techniques, and shoddy academic standards, such as:

9) An agenda driven by religious zeal as much as a quest for scientific or academic knowledge
10) A conscious effort to proselytize for new believers, while hiding the more controversial beliefs of the group.
11) A constant appeal to authority, while not possessing qualified experts in crucial fields
12) The character assassination of experts who disagree with them as cowards or possessing some hidden agenda.
13) The use of fraudulent and questionable sources in academic papers with pretenses to higher standards.

About Footnotes

Many of the footnotes lead to debunking sites which conspiracy theorists might claim are biased against them. But the sites go into much more detail and provide links to unbiased reference. I suspect conspiracy theorist will use this as an easy yet vacuous attack, but the person looking for truth will find the detail and/or added corroborating evidence more important. It's these people I created this paper for.

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[1] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/fire.htm

[2] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/towers.htm

[3] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/pull.htm

[4] http://september11.ceenews.com/ar/electric_broadway_electrical_supplys/

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[8] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/explosions.htm

[9] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/pull.htm

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[11] http://www.geocities.com/debunking911/thermite.htm

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