## WORLD TRADE CENTER

## 911 FDNY TELEPHONE CALLS

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**AUDIO** 

FIRE Part 8

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RECORDER: This is Investigator Gilbert, New York City Fire Department, Bureau of

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recorded on September 11, 2001, the County of Queens, City of New York, State of New York,

in conjunction with Citywide Job Number 05-38. Stand by for a series of messages. Please

stand by for Message Number 1, phone alarm received on Channel 7. Message commences at

09:12:34.

DISPATCHER: Dispatcher 835. What's the address of the fire?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Okay, you're on the 106<sup>th</sup> floor, northwest corner --

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: -- of the World Trade Center?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Hold on, sir.

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Sir, we're trying to get somebody --

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: We're trying to get somebody to you.

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Hello. I'm still here. We're trying to get somebody up there to you.

CALLER:

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DISPATCHER: I said, we're trying to get someone upstairs to you, 106<sup>th</sup> floor, northwest corner, World Trade Center. Okay, now, is there a room number that you're in? Hello? Sir? Hello?

#### CALLER:

DISPATCHER: I think he's gone. Hello? Sir? Accounting Department. Is there a telephone number on there? Under ANI-ALI.

OPERATOR: Yes. I have -- What do I have on this ALI-ANI? I have call back [identifying information redacted].

DISPATCHER: Uh-huh.

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted]

DISPATCHER: Uh-huh.

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted]

DISPATCHER: [identifying information redacted]

OPERATOR: And that's the Windows of the World, One World Trade Center, 106<sup>th</sup> floor, and it says it's the northeast corner. That's what this ALI-ANI is saying to me.

DISPATCHER: He said he was the northwest corner.

OPERATOR: Right now he's saying that he's on the northwest corner, 106<sup>th</sup> floor.

DISPATCHER: Okay, [identifying information redacted]?

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted].

DISPATCHER: Okay. Thank you. I'm gonna -- 835, 835.

OPERATOR: 1742.

RECORDER: Message Number 1 concludes at 09:14:52. Please stand by for Message Number 2, phone alarm received on Channel 7. Message commences 09:17:48.

DISPATCHER: Fire Dispatcher 835. What's the address of the fire?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: You're on the --

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Okay, you're on the 88<sup>th</sup> floor.

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Building Two, second building that got hit. Hold on. There's people trapped on the 88<sup>th</sup> floor of Building Two, the second building that got hit.

U/M: Did you put the message forward?

DISPATCHER: Yeah.

U/M: Okay, but I'm putting it through. Hold on please.

DISPATCHER: He wants to know what to do. Hold on. He wants to know what to do.

Sir?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Okay, I need you to stay in the office. Don't go into the hallway.

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: They're -- They're coming upstairs. They are coming. They're trying to get upstairs to you. What's your telephone -- What's the telephone number there where you are?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: [identifying information redacted]?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: [identifying information redacted]

OPERATOR: And let me give you the ANI-ALI number. [identifying information

redacted]

CALLER:

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted]

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Go ahead, PD? Go ahead.

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted]

DISPATCHER: [identifying information redacted]?

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted]

DISPATCHER: [identifying information redacted]

OPERATOR: [identifying information redacted] and my ANI-ALI is showing floor 89.

CALLER:

OPERATOR: You're on the 88th floor?

DISPATCHER: Okay, you're on the 88<sup>th</sup> floor of Building Two?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Let me get this over to the Manhattan Dispatcher, sir. I'll call you right back. [identifying information redacted]?

CALLER:

DISPATCHER: Okay, I'll call you right back.

OPERATOR: Okay, sir, I'm gonna disconnect now.

DISPATCHER: Okay, 835.

CALLER:

OPERATOR: Okay.

RECORDER: Message Number 2 concludes at 09:19:16. Please stand by for Message Number 3, a phone alarm received on Channel 7. The message commences at 09:22:26.

DISPATCHER: Fire Department Dispatcher 835. What's the address of the fire?

OPERATOR: 835, PD 1742. This is on the World Trade Center. I gave this to another FD, but there's additional information.

DISPATCHER: Okay, did I just speak to you?

OPERATOR: No, I spoke to 865.

DISPATCHER: Okay. No, 835. It's the one there was people trapped on the 88<sup>th</sup> floor?

OPERATOR: No, these people are trapped on 106<sup>th</sup> floor.

DISPATCHER: 106<sup>th</sup> floor, the Accounting Department?

OPERATOR: Yeah, it sounded like he said the Accounting Department, and he said that it was the northwest corner.

DISPATCHER: Right, right, okay, you spoke to me.

OPERATOR: And they're facing New Jersey.

DISPATCHER: The way -- okay, you spoke to me before.

OPERATOR: Oh, I talked to you?

DISPATCHER: Yeah, 835.

OPERATOR: I got so many numbers up here.

DISPATCHER: I know.

OPERATOR: Okay? So I just wanted to give the additional information that he's in the Accounting Department, sound like he said, on the 106<sup>th</sup> floor, northwest corner of the building, and the fire is below, but there's a bad smoke condition.

DISPATCHER: Okay. I put -- I put the message to Manhattan Dispatcher, additional information. I got another call from someone trapped on the 88<sup>th</sup> floor.

OPERATOR: Okay. Mine's is 106<sup>th</sup> -- about 100 people.

DISPATCHER: You said there's about 100 people?

OPERATOR: Right.

DISPATCHER: Accounting Department. About 100 or so people trapped on 106<sup>th</sup> floor, although fire is -- it's below them you said?

OPERATOR: Yeah, he said it's below them, but where they are that the condition is getting worse.

DISPATCHER: Below them. It is getting worse. Accounting Department. Side facing Jersey, right?

OPERATOR: Facing Jersey, uh-huh. Facing the Jersey side, he said.

DISPATCHER: Side.

OPERATOR: And that was One World Trade Center.

DISPATCHER: Okay. If I get the message in Queens, I just send them into Manhattan.

We got -- we got units from Queens in Manhattan.

OPERATOR: In Manhattan? All right.

DISPATCHER: Okay. Which number was the number that was -- he gave us? [identifying information redacted]?

OPERATOR: Yeah.

DISPATCHER: But you saw a different number on the ANI-ALI right?

OPERATOR: No, the number -- he didn't give a number. The number that I gave you which is [identifying information redacted]--

DISPATCHER: Okay.

OPERATOR: -- was the ANI-ALI number.

DISPATCHER: What was your number again? I'm sorry.

OPERATOR: I'm 1742.

DISPATCHER: 1742?

OPERATOR: Right.

DISPATCHER: I'm 835. Thank you.

OPERATOR: Okay. You're welcome, bye.

RECORDER: Message Number 3 concludes at 09:25:33. Please stand by for Message Number 4, a phone alarm, received on Channel 9. The message commences at 09:42:35.

DISPATCHER: Queens 358. This is -- this is Queens Fire Department.

U/M: Okay, ma'am, this is Nassau County Fire Department.

DISPATCHER: Go ahead, Nassau.

U/M: All right. This is what I got -- I got this from Nassau County Police. I'm sure you guys know about this. On the 104<sup>th</sup> floor of the One World Trade Center, on the northwest corner.

DISPATCHER: 104<sup>th</sup> floor. Northwest corner. Of which building?

U/M: Of the – of the One World Trade Center

DISPATCHER: One World Trade, go ahead.

U/M: Fifty people, trapped in the northwest corner.

DISPATCHER: Fifty people.

U/M: The floor is on fire.

DISPATCHER: The flooring is on fire.

U/M: Right.

DISPATCHER: You got it. 358.

U/M: Thank you.

RECORDER: Message Number 4 concludes at 09:43:12. Please stand by for Message Number 5, a phone alarm, received on Channel 8. The message commences at 10:20:01.

DISPATCHER: Queens Fire 317.

U/M: 317. Nassau Fire Number 30?

DISPATCHER: Yes.

U/M: Nassau 911 got another report of 45 employees stuck on the 97<sup>th</sup> floor.

DISPATCHER: On the 97<sup>th</sup> floor?

U/M: Right.

DISPATCHER: Of the Two World Trade Center?

U/M: They said the World Trade Center. That's all I got.

DISPATCHER: Okay.

U/M: Okay?

DISPATCHER: All right. Thank you.

U/M: Bye-Bye.

RECORDER: Message Number 5 concludes at 10:20:33 hours. Please stand by for Message Number 6, a phone alarm, received on Channel 7. The message commences at 10:26:50.

DISPATCHER: Fire Department Dispatcher 835. What's the address of the fire?

U/M: Yeah, it's Nassau Operator 41.

DISPATCHER: Hi.

U/M: I just got a call from Nassau County Police. The number 108 Greenwich Street.

DISPATCHER: 108 Greenwich?

U/M: Right. People stuck on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of the building.

DISPATCHER: Hold on. (To someone in the background) People are stuck at 108 Greenwich Street. It's in Manhattan, right? I got Nassau on this line, also.

U/M(in the background): Tell him it's not necessary for them to report that they were (unclear) first (unclear).

DISPATCHER: Hold on. You're on the phone with Nassau also. Hold on. I got -- Hello?

U/M: Yeah.

DISPATCHER: Hold on, I got Nassau also (unclear).

U/W: Hi. Who am I speaki --

RECORDER: Message Number 6 concludes at 10:27:44. Please stand by for Message Number 8, a continuation of message number 7, received on Channel 9. The message commences at 10:27:44.

DISPATCHER: Hi. Who am I speaking to?

FIRE OPERATOR: This is Nassau County Fire Operator.

DISPATCHER: Okay we're on the line with one of your operations.

FIRE OPERATOR: Okay.

DISPATCHER: Looking – we're looking for equipment.

FIRE OPERATOR: Okay.

DISPATCHER: And there's one of our supervisors is handling, and I guess its one of your supervisors.

FIRE OPERATOR: Okay. I just got a called from the police next door that they had a call from 108 Greenwich Street.

DISPATCHER: Okay. 108 Greenwich. Go ahead.

FIRE OPERATOR: Right. People stuck in a building on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor.

DISPATCHER: Greenwich Street. 6<sup>th</sup> floor?

FIRE OPERATOR: Right. And that was all the information they were able to get.

DISPATCHER: Okay. No call back or anything?

FIRE OPERATOR: No, no call back.

DISPATCHER: Okay. 358 here.

FIRE OPERATOR: Okay. Thanks.

DISPATCHER: Bye-bye.

RECORDER: Message Number 7 concludes at 10:28:22. This reproduction is now concluded by investigator Steven Gilbert, New York City Fire Department, Investigations and Trials.