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The following is a transcript of a letter written by Stewardess Kathleen A. Conner to the United Airlines headquarters, a copy of which was furnished to the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

"After a normal flight and normal landing in Baltimore, Ann Gords and I went into the airport coffee shop for a snack before resting for a return flight #727 (Bal-Ord) leaving at 0330. As we sat, a gentleman who had been on our trip came up to us and began to talk. This man was Mr. Ralph E. Adams of 3326 1/2 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, according to the letterhead on his scores of letters to assemblymen and the President of the United States, Mr. L. B. Johnson. It seems that Mr. Adams was upset by the removal of the motto, 'In God We Trust' from the Supreme Court. According to him, this action was causing God to be angry and resulting in horrible disasters where hundreds of people were in great danger and should have been killed but only a total of 3 in each case were killed. He cited many examples. A few that I can remember were, '3 bullets killed President Kennedy' and 'In the Los Angeles dam break 3 bodies were found.' He stated that lightning cannot possibly strike a plane and that God released a force like that of a giant lightning bolt to make that plane crash over Maryland. He also stated that in a plane crash at O'Hare Field, the pieces of the plane settled in the form of a cross. He said that before President Kennedy was assassinated he (Mr. Adams) had had a fantastic dream the week before and the week afterward, but would not tell us these dreams.

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Mr. Adams told us that he himself had been a pilot in World War II and understood planes. He said that he had been getting 'messages' since the death of President Kennedy that were in his head in code and he was able to make predictions that come true, and had already experienced all of them coming true. Then he proceeded to tell us that 7 is an unlucky number for airplanes and that he was sure that when he was on Flight #718 earlier it was supposed to crash but didn't because he had his Bible with him. Then he predicted that the 'same plane would crash at 2:35 + 4 or 6:35 AM, the back would burn and only the left forward door would be operable and only 3 people would be saved.' Then we told him that was impossible because the plane wasn't even leaving until much later in the day. He answered with 'Well, my message must be wrong, but that plane landed safely only because I had my Bible with me. It was supposed to crash.'

In the meantime another man who had been on our trip came up to us at the counter and introduced himself as an FAA Air Traffic Controller and told Mr. Adams that if he was really concerned about all this he'd see the FAA Safety Committee, but Mr. Adams said he was going to Congress to see them because only when the motto 'In God We Trust' went up again would these horrible disasters stop. Then he made another prediction, 'That there will be 3 major disasters every day in which a lot of people should be killed but aren't and these will continue until the motto is up again.'

Then Ann and I just left Mr. Adams talking to the FAA man. Needless to say, such incidences are upsetting when a person is as persistent and stubborn as Mr. Adams. The main thing I worry about is his effect on other passengers and the fact that if he doesn't get his way with Congress he may get rather violent and try to make his dire predictions come true one way or another.

Kathleen A. Connor"

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