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Let's be honest and admit there are serious problems with the 9/11 Commission's report and it hardly brings us closer to some clarification of these troublesome areas by lashing out at citizens who insist on considering all the evidence with a fresh and open mind.

A working axiom here is that history is not all about conspiracies but we have to allow that conspiracies do occur in history. If serious and open democratic questioning of 9/11 raises suspicions about conspiracy and this inquiry is dismissed out of hand and the questioner's motive are suspect then we are not living in 2010 but in Orwell's 1984.

For example, it was national policy that FAA and the military had worked out a procedure in the event any airplane in the United States reporting in-flight emergency is normally intercepted within 10 minutes. This system mysteriously failed on that fateful day in regard to all four planes.

The official explanation was that the FAA notified the military about the troubles being experienced by all four airliners but not in time. No one was ever punished for this failure. But this official explanation was so lame that even the co-chairs of the 9/11 Commission Thomas Kean and Lee Hamilton noted in their "inside story" book in 2006 that "it was hard to figure out how they had failed to shot down one of the planes." (p, 15) Is it possible that someone high up in the Bush administration had issued a stand-down order allowing the attacks to occur?

Then there was the rush to judgment by the 9/11 Commission and the mockery that was the final report. The person who essentially ran the 9/11 Commission was the executive director, Philip D. Zelikow, an intimate colleague of Condi Rice and a member of President George W. Bush's transition team in 2001 and was later named to a position on the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and worked with other task forces and commission's as well.

New York Times reporter Philip Shenon who was assigned by the paper to cover the 9/11 Commission, later wrote a book entitled “The Commission: The Uncensored History of the 9/11 Investigation”. Shenon revealed that before the staff began its investigation Zelikow, the consummate insider, had already written a detailed outline of what would end up being the Commission’s final report, “complete with chapter headings, subheadings, and sub-subheadings and then conspired with Hamilton and Kean to keep this outline secret from the staff. As Shenon summarized in his study: “Zelikow controlled what the final report would say “ before the staff investigators plugged in their Xerox machines. Those who familiar with the Warren Commission’s inquiry into the Kennedy assassination will recognize that this as the same general modus operandi the Commission employed in its alleged investigation into the murder of America’s 35<sup>th</sup> president.

Finally, kudos to the FNP for opening their editorial page for a spirited exchange of views on a critical subject.

Points to cover; Two of the Letters to the Editor in The FNP hammered Kissin’s allegation that the official account of the collapse of the Twin Towers and WTC 7 was so far off the mark as to be dismissed as conspiratorial fantasizing. Yet there is this inconvenient fact that prior to 9/11 there is no record that a steel-frame high-rise building has ever suffered total collapse from any cause other than controlled demolition by means of pre-set explosives and incendiaries.

Not persuaded by the NIST explanation . . . Note here members of