

Lt. [page 394] General Hayden, the Director of the NSA (DIRNSA), repeatedly related this conclusion to the Joint Inquiry.

[NSA had intercepts on September 10, 2001 that, in retrospect, appear to relate to the September 11 attacks. These intercepts were processed on September 11 (after the terrorist attacks) and reported early on September 12, 2001. Although each of the products referred to something occurring the following day, neither intercept had specifics on the attack, location, or targets. This wording was similar to other non-specific threats occasionally reported by NSA over the past several years].

In an effort to place the September 10 messages in perspective, General Hayden testified, “I should also note that [over a period of time] earlier that summer we had intercepted and reported over 30 such imminent attack messages and that since September 11 [NSA continues to report similar activities].”

In fact, following September 11, there was a flurry of similar [——] intercepts that were not associated with any terrorist attacks:

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