

Fires on or below the 14th Floor, 4:40 p.m. to 5:21 p.m.

After roughly 4:40 p.m., imagery in the Investigation database showing the north face of WTC 7 is more limited. Figure 5–151 shows a long distance shot of the north face of WTC 7 taken at 4:52:24 p.m. from the same vantage point as Figure 5–147. In the video clip it can be seen that smoke is passing across the lower part of the north face. Unlike Figure 5–147, there is no fire visible on the north face from this distance. It seems the fires on the 11th floor have died down, but it is possible that fire was present, but hidden by the smoke. Heavy, dark smoke is still visible rising from the east face of the building.



Figure 5–151. Frame from a video clip shot from the top of a nearby building, showing the north face of WTC 7 at 4:52:24 p.m. $\pm$ 1 s.

The intensity levels have been adjusted.

Figure 5–152 shows a limited view of the north face shot from the northeast over the tops of the two buildings to the north of WTC 7. The time was crudely estimated as being around 5:00 p.m. based on the pattern of sunlight and shadow on the building to the immediate north of WTC 7. Only the 12th to 17th floors are visible. Fires are burning on the 12th and 13th floors. On the 12th floor, the fires that were slowly spreading across the north face to the west have reached the northwest corner, with flames barely visible in windows 12-57A and 12-57B. Recall that fire was observed between Columns 55 and 56 around 4:00 p.m. At 2:00 p.m., the 12th floor was burning near the southeast corner. Apparently it took roughly three hours for fire to spread all of the way from the southeast corner to the northwest corner.