

# Details on hijacking suspects

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The Justice Department on Friday released the names of the 19 suspected terrorists who it says hijacked planes Tuesday. Four to five were on each of the four flights that crashed.

Federal authorities released only sketchy information on each of them, but details were emerging from neighbors and others and public records.

**AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 77** -- The Boeing 757 departed at 8:10 a.m. from Washington Dulles for Los Angeles, and crashed into the Pentagon at 9:39 a.m.

**Khalid Al-Midhar**--Al-Midhar may have lived in Los Angeles or New York. He held a B-1 visa, authorizing business-related travel for up to one year, and an expired B-2 visa authorizing a visit to the U.S. for either pleasure or medical treatment.

**Majed Moqed**--The Justice Department listed no information beyond his name.

**Nawaq Alhamzi**--Possible residences: Ft. Lee or Wayne, N.J., and Los Angeles.

**Salem Alhamzi**--Possible residences: Ft. Lee and Wayne.

**Hani Hanjour**--Possible residences: Phoenix and San Diego. He was believed to be a pilot.

**AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 11** -- The Boeing 767 left Boston for Los Angeles at 7:45 a.m. and crashed into north tower of the World Trade Center at 8:45 a.m.

**Satam Al Suqami**--Al Suqami, 25, had a driver's license that listed an address of a motel in Boynton Beach, Fla. Another suspected hijacker used the motel's address on his driver's license, while a third stayed there for a month earlier in the summer.

**Waleed M. Al Shehri**--Al Shehri, who was believed to be a pilot, stayed with another man in the Bimini Apartments in Hollywood, Fla., for four weeks in April. He told John Katanik, a night manager, that he was from Germany and in pilot training school. The FBI spent an hour at the motel Tuesday night interviewing Katanik and another manager. Al Shehri stayed with two guests at the Homing Inn in Boynton Beach, Fla., for about five weeks earlier in the summer. Two of the other suspected hijackers from Flight 11--Al Suqami and Wail Al Shehri--had addresses at the Homing Inn, suggesting that they were his companions.

A copy of Waleed Al Shehri's bill shows he checked into the motel on June 21 and checked out July 27, paying a weekly rate of \$260. He variously paid in cash or with a credit card. He made no phone calls during his stay and kept a red Mitsubishi Mirage in the parking lot. He told a clerk, who declined to identify herself, that he was a tourist.

The clerk said the FBI came to the motel Thursday to inquire about Al Shehri and his companions.

**Wail Al Shehri**--Al Shehri, 28 and believed to be a pilot, also had a Florida driver's license with the Homing Inn as his address.

The FBI reportedly trailed Al Shehri to a motel in Newton, Mass. Agents searched a room at the Park Inn on Wednesday, suggesting that they had identified Al Shehri as one of the terrorists a day after the attacks.

FBI agents spent several hours at the motel. But the room where Al Shehri is believed to have stayed was empty when agents searched it and they did not find anything, said Newton Police Lt. Paul Anastasia.

"He is not a Newton resident. Never was," Anastasia said Friday.

The FBI also said that Al Shehri had an address in Hollywood, Fla.

Mohamed Atta--Atta, 33, may have lived in Hollywood and Coral Springs, Fla., as well as Hamburg, Germany. Atta's studio apartment in a transient rental building in Coral Springs was visited by the FBI earlier this week. He took flight training at a school in Venice, on Florida's Gulf Coast, and is believed to have been a licensed pilot. Atta held an Egyptian driver's license before obtaining his Florida license. German news media reported that Atta headed an Islamic association comprising some 20 people at a university in Hamburg. And the South Florida Sun-Sentinel said authorities in Broward County had issued a warrant for Atta's arrest because he failed to answer a traffic charge.

Abdulaziz Alomari--The FBI believes Alomari was a pilot and possibly lived in Hollywood, Fla. The Boston Globe reported Thursday that Flight 11's passenger manifest showed that an Abdulrahman Alomari was sitting next to Mohamed Atta in the business section.

On Wednesday, several dozen police and FBI agents searched the former home of Abdul Alomari in Vero Beach, Fla. Agents roused neighbors at 5:30 a.m. and told them that there might be a bomb in the area and that agents were about to search a nearby home linked to the terrorist attack, said Raymond DeFossez, a truck driver living across the street from the former Alomari home.

DeFossez said he and a dozen neighbors stood at the end of the street for an hour while agents searched the house. The FBI would not comment Friday.

Alomari had rented the Vero Beach home about 15 months ago, DeFossez said. He lived there with his wife and several children, who all are younger than 10 years old. "They were quiet and friendly," DeFossez said. "They would wave when you passed by, just like neighbors do."

He said he never saw anything suspicious at the Alomari home.

Alomari rented the three-bedroom, two-bath home for \$1,400 a month, according to news reports. He moved into the home in July 2000 and moved out Sept. 3.

The South Florida Sun-Sentinel reported that Alomari was last seen by his landlord and neighbors on Monday. The home was empty at the time of the police search.

FAA records show that an Abdulrahman Alomari is a private pilot. The Associated Press reported he has listed his previous employer as Saudi Flight Ops, which handles maintenance for Saudi Arabian Airlines at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

Alomari also attended the Flight Safety Academy in Vero Beach and had a post office box address at Saudi Arabian Airlines in Jeddah, the Sun-Sentinel reported.

An Alomari neighbor, Adnan Bukhari, 41, was detained by the FBI Tuesday and released after agents concluded he was not involved in the hijackings, the Boston Globe reported.

Amer Kamfar has been wanted by Florida police. He had lived at the same Vero Beach address as Alomari.

UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT 175--The Boeing 767 left Boston for Los Angeles at 7:58 a.m. and

crashed into south tower of the World Trade Center at 9:05 a.m.

Marwan Al-Shehhi--The FAA shows a man by the same name with a commercial pilot's license and a Hollywood, Fla., address. The Associated Press reported that Al-Shehhi is from the United Arab Emirates, had been registered for several years as a resident of Hamburg, Germany, and had studied at the Hamburg Technical University for one year.

Kay Nehm, Germany's chief federal prosecutor, was quoted as saying Al-Shehhi belonged to a terror group formed "with the aim of carrying out a series of crimes together with other Islamic fundamentalist groups abroad, to attack the United States in a spectacular way through the destruction of symbolic buildings."

Meanwhile, an official with the Huffman Aviation International flight school in Venice, Fla., said a man identified only as "Marwan" paid \$10,000 by check to attend the school from July to November 2000, the Los Angeles Times reported.

The AP reported that Al-Shehhi took two 3-hour flight simulator courses at SimCenter Inc. in Opa-locka, Fla. Charlie Voss, a former employee at Huffman Aviation, told the AP that Al-Shehhi and suspected hijacker Mohamed Atta had stayed briefly at his home soon after they arrived from Germany in July 2000 to attend flight school. Voss said he knew Al-Shehhi only as "Marwan," but a student at Huffman identified Atta's "cousin" and Voss' other guest as Al-Shehhi. Brad Warrick, owner of Warrick Rent-a-Car in Pompano Beach, Fla., told AP that Al-Shehhi turned in a car Sunday that had been rented by Mohammed Atta.

Fayez Ahmed, Ahmed Alghamdi, Hamza Alghamdi and Mohald Alshehri--All four men may have lived in Delray Beach, Fla.

UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT 93--The Boeing 757 left Newark at 8:01 a.m. for San Francisco. It crashed at 10:10 a.m. in Stony Creek Township, Pa.

Saeed Alghamdi--Public records show that a man named Saeed Alghambi lived at the dormitory of the Flight Safety Academy in Vero Beach, Fla., a school that has turned records over to authorities investigating the hijackings. The company has said previously that, to its knowledge, none of its students was involved in the attacks.

Ahmed Alhaznawi--A 20-year-old man named Ahmed Alhaznawi lived in a duplex apartment in Lauderdale by the Sea, a small seaside resort community, with Ziad Jarrahi, according to public records. Neighbors said federal agents have recently gathered information about the two.

One neighbor, who declined to be identified, said the two men lived in the efficiency apartment for a "very short period of time" and moved out about a month ago.

Ahmed Alnami--Alnami may have lived in Delray Beach, Fla.

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