July 17, 2022

Dear President Trump:

We the undersigned, survivors and family members of victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, write to express our deep pain and anger about your decision to host the Saudi Golf League (“LIV”) at your Bedminster, New Jersey, property later this month.

The evidence, Mr. Trump, is more clear than ever. The Saudi nation is largely responsible for the death of our loved ones and for this horrific attack on America. And you know it.

During an appearance on “Fox and Friends” on February 17, 2016, you acknowledged Saudi Arabia’s role in organizing and carrying out the 9/11 attacks that killed 2,977 Americans. Back then, you put it like this:

“…Who blew up the World Trade Center? It wasn’t the Iraqis – it was Saudi. Take a look at Saudi Arabia. Open the documents. We ought to get Bush or somebody to have the documents opened because frankly if you open the documents, I think you are going to see it was Saudi Arabia… Those people would have not been in the country had my policies been intact.”

The documents, Mr. Trump, are now open, as you suggested. And they reveal what we, and apparently you, have known all along. The Kingdom materially supported the planning and execution of these attacks.

FBI reports have detailed the Kingdom’s role in the attacks and lay out the details of the numerous connections of U.S.-based “personnel and entities controlled by the Saudi Arabian government” to the al Qaeda terrorist attacks. This includes the FBI’s “investigations and supporting documentation” regarding the religious “militant network that was created, funded, directed and supported by the KSA [Kingdom of Saudi Arabia] and its affiliated organizations and diplomatic personnel within the U.S.” The FBI notes that much information has come to light since the 9/11 Commission published its report in 2004 and refers repeatedly to the existence of U.S.-based Saudi “support networks” for the 9/11 hijackers.
Given what you said on FOX, and the commitment you made to numerous 9/11 family members when meeting with them at the White House on September 11, 2019, we simply cannot understand how you could agree to accept money from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia’s golf league to host their tournament at your golf course, and to do so in the shadows of Ground Zero in New Jersey, which lost over 700 residents during the attacks.

It is difficult for us to fully express the extreme pain, frustration and anger this upcoming tournament at Bedminster causes our community. That is why we ask for the opportunity to have some of our family members visit with you in the coming days to discuss our concerns in person with you and urge you to cease further business with the regime that was complicit in the murder of our loved ones.

The 9/11 mass murder of our spouses, parents, children, and siblings left us with a lifetime of grief and pain. That pain fuels our ongoing fight to hold Saudi Arabia accountable for its role in the attacks and what they have taken from each of us. It is incomprehensible to us, Mr. Trump, that a former president of the United States would cast our loved ones aside for personal financial gain.

We hope you will reconsider your business relationship with the Saudi Golf League and will agree to meet with us. Thank you for considering such a discussion.

Sincerely,

Members of 9/11 Justice

Brett Eagleson, Son of John Bruce Eagleson, who was murdered in the South Tower of the World Trade Center

Gail Eagleson, Wife of John Bruce Eagleson, who was murdered in the South Tower of the World Trade Center

Tim Frolich, severely injured survivor of South Tower collapse, 80th Floor

Juliette Scauso, Daughter of FDNY Hazmat Co. 1 Firefighter Dennis Scauso, who was murdered in the evacuation efforts of the South Tower

Gabrielle Scauso, Daughter of FDNY Hazmat Co. 1 Firefighter Dennis Scauso, who was murdered in the evacuation efforts of the South Tower
Kimberly Trimingham-Aiken, Widow of Terrance Aiken, who was murdered on the 97th Floor of the North Tower

Terrease Aiken, Daughter of Terrance Aiken, who was murdered on the 97th Floor of the North Tower

Kanian Aiken, Son of Terrance Aiken, who was murdered on the 97th Floor of the North Tower

Andre Aiken, Son of Terrance Aiken, who was murdered on the 97th Floor of the North Tower

Dennis McGinley, Brother of Daniel McGinley, who was murdered on the 89th floor of the South Tower

Sean Robert Passananti, Son of Horace Robert Passananti, who was murdered on the 100th floor of the North Tower

Nicole Marie Passananti, Robbed of a life with my grandfather Horace Robert Passananti

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