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Former Presidential Aide and Carrier of “the Football” Buzz Patterson’s Watched First Hand as Clinton Missed His Opportunity to Kill Bin Laden

I have seen the ABC mini-series. It is right on the money. I was there with Clinton and Berger and watched the missed opportunities occur. Anything to the contrary is political spin. – Lt. Col. Robert “Buzz” Patterson

Washington, DC - As the controversy rages over the airing of the much anticipated ABC miniseries *The Path to 9/11* – and Democratic Leaders desperately contend that the mini-series is inaccurate, Lt. Col Buzz Patterson knows the truth. In fact, the Former Presidential Aide and carrier of the “Football” – containing the codes to launch nuclear war – watched not only an early screening of the movie – but WITNESSED first hand the indifference of President Clinton to launch a strike against Bin Laden.

The ABC mini-series is scheduled to air uninterrupted Sunday night, September 10 and Monday night, September 11.

As Patterson reveals in his *New York Times* bestseller *Dereliction of Duty*- the first missed opportunity occurred when Clinton was engaged in watching a golf tournament and became irritated when Patterson approached him. After Patterson’s third attempt to get Clinton to return Sandy Berger’s urgent phone calls, Clinton gave Patterson a cool response he would phone Berger on his way back to the White House. The defeated Berger knew that the opportunity was gone.

In another shocking account in the situation room of the White House, Berger was told by a military watch officer “Sir, we’ve located bin Laden. We have a two-hour window to strike.” After Clinton did not return phone calls from Berger for over an hour, Clinton then wanted more time to study the situation. *Dereliction of Duty* reveals “We ‘studied’ the issues until it was too late-the window of opportunity closed.”

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