## [Received October 03, 2001]

My name is Maj Vincent Amato and I work for OPNAV N-75. At the time of the attack I was in my office in Wedge 1 room 5A478. Our windows faced outward so that we looked across into the B ring. While standing in front of the window talking with 2 co-workers we heard a loud explosion and felt a tremendous shaking. At that point a huge fireball rose up over C ring and appeared to be coming inward at us. The windows buckled in but did not break. We gathered up all personnel and proceeded into the A ring. The automatic curtains were closing at corridor 4 so we proceeded to wedge 2 and exited the building into the courtyard at corridor 5. Once in the courtyard we found out about the Trade Center attacks and began heading for North parking. As we exited corridor 8 towards the POAC we heard 2 secondary explosions and noticed the huge cloud of black smoke rising. I spent approx 30 minutes in the parking lot listening to the radio before I began my drive home.