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Thread: [Video of black hawk helicopter crashing into American Airlines](#)

Hackers - January 30, 2025, 7:21 am

This is a video of the helicopter crashing into the plane:

<https://streamable.com/olzt2p>

Video from another angle:

<https://streamable.com/kgst9d>

There is speculation online that the heli pilot may have been watching the craft taking off, rather than the one landing (AA).

From what we know:

- ATC followed all protocols and laws
- ATC contacted helicopter pilot
- Pilot confirmed to ATC they have visual separation
- This then triggers normal protocol
- ATC apparently made 3 calls to the pilot before the crash

All evidence points to:

- ATC did what they should
- Pilot fucked up royally

Unfortunately we have one guy going after ATC instead of the pilot, even though no official investigation has been completed.

He's asking the "big questions" !

Unfortunately this says more about his inability to process information than it says about any sort of ATC failure.

The reason Trump's comment is misinformed & disorganized & impulsive in nature is simple:

- Pilots are trained to fly
- ATC employees are not pilots
- ATC employees cannot tell a pilot exact second-to-second steps to fly
- Unless you mean all ATC employees should be pilots
- But then we are in a loop: we can't trust pilots, so we hire... more pilots?

Of course, pilot-trained ATC would be a huge benefit. Is it realistic or going to happen? No. ATC employees are already incredibly well trained & responsive.

Visual separation protocol is defined, and was respected in this case.

Unfortunately this is a case of a highly maneuverable helicopter fucking up 100%, at the worst time. Not a case of ATC failure.

From what people have said about the ATC radio transmissions, they did nothing wrong and this is 100% on the helicopter pilot.

Quote: Shortly before the crash, additional audio reveals the helicopter pilot responding, "PAT 2-5 has aircraft in sight, request visual separation." Less than 13 seconds later, audible gasps, including a loud "oooh", are heard in the background from the control tower at the moment of impact.

https://x.com/ScottHiser/status/1884834773408923873?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E1884834773408923873%7Ctwgr%5Edd89b484cbb69db5b6fee5b3392bd61fd25101be%7Ctwcon%5Es1_&ref_url=https%3A%2F%2Fnews.abplive.com%2Fnews%2Fworld%2Fus-plane-crash-donald-trump-blames-reagan-atc-for-american-airlines-plane-crash-viral-audio-reveals-shocking-details-1747869

accrued - January 30, 2025, 8:53 am

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vyactor - January 30, 2025, 9:35 am

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Hackers - January 30, 2025, 9:57 am

(Jan 30, 2025 09:53 AM)accrued Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Respective and sad. This is an ongoing story with live coverage as they perform rescue.

Definitely... Hope the family can find some closure and I pray this isn't politicized further.

(Jan 30, 2025 10:35 AM)vyactor Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) That's scary to see. I heard everyone from the plane are announced dead? Are they?

I'm not sure yet. Last I checked they were not saying it was all souls lost.

However, I know they will not announce that until they can contact next of kin or at least try to for some time.

They won't say everyone's dead without making those phone calls / visits first (usually at least).

Pr0m3th3us - January 30, 2025, 8:15 pm

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Hackers - January 31, 2025, 5:32 am

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DramaKing - January 31, 2025, 6:47 am

Last radar contact showed the helo at an altitude of 350 feet when the max altitude was 200 feet. If I

was a conspiracy theorist, I would say that it climbed and turned to intercept the plane.

Pr0m3th3us - January 31, 2025, 6:55 am

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Hackers - January 31, 2025, 7:18 am

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Epic - January 31, 2025, 7:22 am

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Editing this to say this applies to commercial flights, not GA flying.

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I always say when someone says "I'm a good driver" that "I am not worried about you, I'm worried about everyone else"

There are bad drivers, drunk drivers, high drivers, and sometimes some good drivers on our streets.

Video 2 / from a diff angle:

Temp URL expires in 48 hours: <https://streamable.com/kgst9d>

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Hackers - January 31, 2025, 2:55 pm

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They went all over national parks, highways, Great Lakes, etc