

Re: False experts

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In article <1109434482.013183.191710@z14g2000cwz.googlegroups.com>, <stevejdoufour@yahoo.com> wrote:

> > See <http://www.rickross.com/groups/waco.html>
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> > *There is a section here about my work concerning the Waco Davidians.*
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> > *Rick A. Ross*
> > www.rickross.com
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> *Thanks for posting all this information. I haven't checked it all out*
> *but I did notice that you seem to have made a mistake in the title of*
> *one article. This letter seems to be from the office of Paul Simon,*
> *Senator from Illinois, not from the Senate itself:*
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> *Davidian Tragedy – Letter from United States Senate to Rick Ross Dated*
> *November 19, 1993*
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> *By Paul Simon, U.S. Senator*

Rick Ross is also posturing that this letter absolves him of responsibility in the mistakes that lead up to the death of the Branch Davidians. Since he was one of the primary advisors of the BATF during this operation, it does nothing of the kind. Indeed, some consider him the author and source of the BATF's "seriously flawed assumptions" and when "the authorities made mistakes" they often did so on his advice.

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> *Mr. Rick Ross*
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> *Thank you for sharing your thoughts on the federal investigation into*
> *the raid initialed earlier this year on the Branch Davidian compound*
> *near Waco, Texas.*
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> *At the direction of President Clinton, the Treasury Department and the*

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> *Justice Department both conducted extensive investigations into this*
> *case. As you may know, the Treasury Department's report criticized*
> *Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms officials for basing the*
> *operation "on seriously flawed assumptions." The Justice Department's*
> *report also acknowledges that authorities made mistakes, but concluded*
> *that the ultimate responsibility for the fire lies with the Branch*
> *Davidians themselves.*

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> *I am hopeful that through these investigations, something can be*
> *learned so that we can avoid similar situations in the future.*

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> *Again, thanks for being in touch.*

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> *My best wishes.*

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> *Cordially,*

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> *Paul Simon*

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> *U.S. Senator*

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> *PS/kvh*

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