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The 1999 ARB

http://www.state.gov/www/regions /africa/accountability_report .html

Note: Technically there were 2 boards one for Tanzania and one for Kenya each with 4 members and an Executive Secretary. Crowe was the overall chair, but each Board had its own chair too. They submitted a combined report. [http://www.state.gov/www/regions /africa/board_letter.html]

They handed out copies of the report. I am having trouble finding it on a State website, but it is accessible in several other places including:

http://cgsc.contentdm.oclc.org/u_tils/getfile/collection/p4013col_111/id/568/filename/569.pdf

It is 24 pages long without the Annexes

Mentions About the Classified Version:

In the public version of the report:

Three additional recommendations deal with intelligence and information availability, matters the Boards are also enjoined to address under the law./1 (Details and rationale for all of the recommendations are contained in the classified version of the report.)

AND

(Note: Passages here and elsewhere in this document marked with an asterisk (/1) indicate more details can be found in the classified version of the report.)

At the State Department Briefing:

CROWE: As the secretary informed you, the two commissions which I head, which investigated the Nairobi and Dar es Salaam bombings, have submitted a combined **report** today after some three months of deliberation. These efforts included visits to Nairobi and to Dar es Salaam. We have interviewed a total of over 130 witnesses. First, I think it appropriate to make a few general comments about the **report**, and then I will address any queries that you might have. Please understand that today we are releasing an unclassified version of a longer and more complete **classified report**.

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Some of these recommendations are, of necessity, **classified**. We recognize that the Department of State and other U.S. government agencies are already making adjustments.[State Department Briefing with Admiral Crowe, 1/8/99]

On PBS:

PHIL PONCE: So your boards, the two boards have come up with some recommendations . What do you think are the most important ones?

ADMIRAL WILLIAM CROWE, JR.: Unfortunately, the longer and complete report is classified, and many of those recommendations are in the classified area, but we have suggested changes in the procedures; we have suggested changes in - the main change that we would like to see wrought throughout the service is more sensitivity to security. [PBS, 1/8/99]

In NYT:

Still, classified cable traffic and intelligence reports, which were not included in the public version of Admiral Crowe's report, show that while none of the warnings gathered by American intelligence in the year before the bombings pointed to a particular act of terrorism on a particular day, the United States had growing indications that the embassy was a target of terrorist plots, and that terrorists hostile to American interests were active in Kenya. [NYT, 1/9/99]