

**BCCI**  
**ALLEGATIONS IN NEWSPAPERS**

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1988	14	Money laundering	The Observer	14/7/91	"On the Trail of BCCI's billions" - 1988: A Senate sub-committee investigates BCCI's money laundering activities and relationship with Panamanian Dictator Manuel Noriega. BCCI execs indicted for offering money laundering services. 1990: BCCI pleads guilty to money laundering and is fined \$15m. 7 BCCI execs and Columbian businessman convicted of money laundering and jailed after trials in Florida and London. 1991: The Federal Reserve Bank formally investigates ownership of First American Bankshares and Independence Bank of Encino which BCCI allegedly secretly controls.
1988	14	money laundering	The Observer	14/7/91	"Investigators knew of BCCI's black money" - British drug and tax investigators believe that for many years BCCI was a major facilitator of the movement of illegal funds into and out of Britain as well as an abettor of tax evasion here and abroad. The bank was served with notice in 1988 compelling disclosure of information concerning up to £200m worth of laundered money through a number of banks using the Asian "Hawala" system whereby money is moved via 3rd parties and book entries between UK and other countries many with draconian exchange control restrictions.
	4 & 11	Theft/misuse of depositors funds in Pakistan.	The Sunday Times	14/7/91	"BCCI's scandal grows: Bank of England knew facts last year" - the bank of England said it felt unable to move earlier because it did not have strong enough evidence of fraud or gross mismanagement to close BCCI. The secret Price Waterhouse report suggested that depositors funds were being plundered by 12 Arab Sheikhs and their Pakistani bank managers to line their own pockets. The PW report also showed that among other dubious practices BCCI had lent hundreds of millions of dollars to already wealthy arab investors with little or no security.
	4&5 & 11	Theft/misuse of depositors funds and the creation of companies to disguise lending to the Gokal group.	The Sunday Times	14/7/91	"How the Bank robbed the poor to give to the rich" - deposits from mainly Asian businessmen were systematically siphoned off and shuffled around the world. Large amounts ended up in the same place - the pockets of a dozen wealthy Gulf financiers. many loans were made to favoured clients who were not asked for sufficient collateral to back them. when friends failed to repay their loans, BCCI covered up for them with a

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					"bank within a bank" which milked even more cash from it's small depositors. The PW report found that there were no signed loan agreements, no correspondence with the customer, no net worth statements or cashflow information to back the loans. No one has been able to contact Mr Khalil the recipient of one of the loans and American investigators wonder whether he actually exists. The Gokal shipping brothers also took advantage of the bank's loose lending policy.
			The Sunday Times	14/7/91	"BCCI backlash whips Virani" - Nazmu Virani, one of Britain's richest Asian businessmen is emerging as one of the most prominent victims of the dramatic collapse of BCCI.
	2&11		Daily Telegraph	15/7/91	"BCCI founder faces action in California" - The United States Treasury Department has started enforcement proceedings against Mr Abedi the founder and former president of BCCI over BCCI's illegal acquisition of the Independence Bank of Encino in California. it was alleged that ots actions were based on secret arrangements made by senior officials of BCCI to have Saudi Arabian businessman Mr Pharaon acquire independence on BCCI's behalf and to conceal the deal from regulators.
	4		Sunday Times	14/7/91	"Councils are missing millions" - article outlines how local councils have lost out in an estimated £100m from the collapse of BCCI.
	19		Sunday Telegraph	14/7/91	"BCCI's Marathon Man" - Article outlines the task facing liquidator of BCCI.
			Sunday Telegraph	14/7/91	"Junior put Isles cash into BCCI" - Finance Director of the Western Isles Council delegated responsibility to someone else to invest £23m into BCCI.
	11&18		Observer	14/7/91	"Bank of England warned about BCCI 15 months ago" - Treasury Officials warned Bank of England over serious public concern over collapsed BCCI in April 1990.
			Financial Times	15/7/91	"Receivers barred from seeing report" - Bank of England strongly denies suggestions that it has known for nearly a year and a half about possible fraud and wrongdoing at BCCI before it halted its operation.
	14		The Times	15/7/91	"BCCI crash prompts call for change in the law" - The proposal for a change in the law came as allegations were made that BCCI had been used by the CIA as a channel to pay for covert operations including the Iran contra affair. The suggestion that BCCI was used by the CIA was made by the New York times on the basis of interviews contained in court documents and congressional records taken when a Florida subsidiary of the bank was charged with laundering drug money in 1988. Government

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					and bank officials are reported to have said that they believed that CIA used BCCI as part of its secret programme to support anti-communist guerrillas in Afghanistan.
	11&18	Financial irregularities	Daily Telegraph	15/7/91	sets out the fact that the Bank of England confirmed it's awareness of financial troubles of BCCI more than a year ago.
1987	14	money laundering	The Guardian	15/7/91	"CIA used BCCI for covert accounts" - New York Times report said that Adnan Kashoggi the Saudi Arms dealer made records available to the authorities in 1987 which showed that financing for \$70m of the secret sale of arms to Iran by the Reagan Administration came from accounts controlled by Mr Kashoggi at BCCI's branch in Monte Carlo.
			The Independent	15/7/91	"CIA used bank for covert operations" - see The Guardian 15/7/91 (above).
			The Independent	15/7/91	"Bank of England faces BCCI enquiry" - The Bank of England is facing a parliamentary investigation into it's decision to delay the closure of BCCI for 16 months after hearing of BCCI's financial crisis.
			The Financial Times	15/7/91	"CIA challenged on BCCI role" - The bank of England has strongly denied suggestions that it had known for nearly a year and a half of possible fraud and wrongdoing at BCCI before it halted its operation.
			Daily Telegraph	15/7/91	A series of articles detailing how small businesses have been hit by the BCCI closure.
			The Financial Times	16/7/91	"Abu Dhabi attacks Bank of England over BCCI".
			The Independent	16/7/91	"Court threat to BCCI Auditors" - Abu Dhabi's ruler prepares to take action against Price Waterhouse over bank closure.
	5		The Independent	16/7/91	"BCCI leant rich Gulf Group £2bn" - The Gulf Group is a shipping company owned by three Pakistani Brothers named Gokal. Main holding company only had assets worth \$416m at the end of 1989. These companies could be the target for liquidators seeking to find BCCI assets. Some loans to others had been made with little or no supporting documentation and as regards the loan to Mr Khslil there are no signed agreements no correspondence with the customer no net worth statements or cash flow information to back up the loans.
	2		The Guardian	16/7/91	"BCCI fraud books found in Abu Dhabi" - secret accounts showing fraud at BCCI have been tracked down in Abu Dhabi. The books detail the "bank within a bank" run for many years by a small clique at the top of BCCI. Huge loans to prominent business and political figures in the



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			Daily Telegraph	16/7/91	"Bank collapse risks are moral hazard" - the Government served notice that it had no intention of raising the limit of £15,000 for compensation to victims of Bank collapses.
			The Times	16/7/91	"Council Chief faces call to quit after £23m loss" - The future of the Chief Executive of the Western Isles is under threat.
	1, 2, 11		The Times	16/7/91	"Worldwide hunt for BCCI members" - The serious fraud office is undertaking a worldwide hunt for former senior execs of BCCI who may be able to reveal reasons behind massive losses suffered by the bank which led to its closure. Robin Leigh-Pemberton the Governor of the Bank of England said that fraud at BCCI which may amount to up to US\$4bn was perpetrated through false accounting and the creation of fictitious or false loans.
			Financial Times	16/7/91	"Assets of linked companies frozen" - Authorities on the Cayman Islands have frozen assets of 8 companies suspected of having links with BCCI. Injunctions against the 8 are in addition to a Governor's Order appointing Receivers for BCCI and it's 2 related banking entities. Some of the companies apparently acquired problem loans from BCCI thereby removing them from its balance sheet. Loans were sold to the companies at discounts to their face value. Other articles on same page include "money broker defends its advice", "employees prepare to sell up and leave", "Councils rejected Treasury guidelines" and "support groups offer services to depositors".
			The Guardian	16/7/91	"BCCI pay outs start next week says Minister" - depositors with BCCI should be able to get some of their money back according to the economic secretary.
			The Guardian	17/7/91	"Bank of England fights to keep BCCI enquiry papers" - Bank of England oppose legal attempt to force full disclosure of its reasons for the dramatic closure of the scandal hit BCCI.
			The Independent	17/7/91	"Staff are given up to £500 in hardship pay"
	2		The Daily Telegraph	17/7/91	"Governor of the Bank of England flies to Abu Dhabi for talks on bank collapse" - Abu Dhabi attacked PW for its failure to discover fraud earlier. PW discovered the existence of previously secret files pointing to the existence of a "bank within a bank" involving companies mainly registered in the Cayman Islands".

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			The Times	17/7/91	"Sheikh rejects plea for BCCI compensation"
			The Guardian	17/7/91	"Using Charity and prizes to fuel rapid growth" - BCCI had a UK registered charity called Third World Foundation and awarded an annual \$100,000 third world prize first awarded in 1980.
			The Independent	19/7/91	Luxembourg's banking authority tried for at least 5 years to force BCCI to leave the principality.
			The Times	18/7/91	"Bank hands report to Abu Dhabi" - The Bank of England has been forced to hand over the report into the fraud at the BCCI to the authorities in Abu Dhabi under threat of legal action.
			The Times	18/7/91	"Closure starts run on Hong Kong Banks" - the collapse of BCCI sent panicking depositors rushing to withdraw funds from 2 local banks in Hong Kong.
			The Times	18/7/91	"Sheikh planned to sell UK assets" - the Sheikh of Abu Dhabi threatened to withdraw his planned investment portfolio from Britain in retaliation for the Bank of England's closure of BCCI.
1987-1988	12	unlawful payments to senior executives	The Guardian	18/7/91	"BCCI executives were paid £30m to keep quiet" - Senior executives of BCCI are alleged to have received over US\$50m to keep quiet about the banks fraudulent activities when BCCI first came to the attention of US and European regulators. The payments mainly in 1987 and 1988 were described in an April 1991 draft of a report by PW given to the bank of England in late June. The Wall Street Journal says that the man who received it two years after leaving his jobs as head of BCCI's treasury operations in London. He was later convicted of money laundering offences.
			The Guardian	18/7/91	"Chief rejoined payroll after leaving over Fraud reports" - The Chief Exec of BCCI resigned in October 1990 in the wake of an auditors report

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					pointing to possible corruption and fraud. he immediately rejoined the payroll as a consultant.
			The Independent	18/7/91	"BCCI winding up may be opposed" - Finance Director restored to post. Customers seek return of £30m in deposits. Bank of England Governor to be questioned by Mps.
			Financial Times	18/7/91	"Bank Governor to be questioned on BCCI".
			Financial Times	18/7/91	"Staff warned Howard of possible corruption" - Michael Howard Secretary of State for Employment was alerted by BCCI staff group to possible embezzlement, corruption and nepotism within the bank in June 1990. The organisation sent a letter to Mr Howard dated 12th June 1990 and noted that the regulation authorities "should urgently investigate all the many dubious activities of BCCI. Only then can it prevent the catastrophe which will otherwise befall the shareholders, investors and employees of this organisation". A second letter was forwarded by Tony Benn on June 19th 1990 in which Mr Vivian Ambrose wrote "the apparent incompetence of the banks executives and higher management is surpassed only by the widespread corruption and nepotism within this organisation".
			Daily Telegraph	19/7/91	"Council victims want bank enquiry" - Bank of England warned local authorities in May 1991 that its authorised list of financial institutions which included BCCI provided no guarantee of their stability.
			Sunday Telegraph	21/7/91	"High Street Banks face £150m BCCI levy" - to fund the compensation for the 120,000 depositors of British branches of BCCI.
			The Observer	21/7/91	"The Scam, the Sting and the suckers" - BCCI methodically drained small Asian investors of their cash recycled it around the world and used it to enrich Gulf financiers. Huge loans made on adequate collateral, unsecured, sometimes without any legal documents. Interest payments often late, small or non-existent. BCCI managers ignored warnings from the auditors. As regulatory authorities began to investigate, BCCI managers started to plug holes in the balance sheets by soliciting deposits from unsavoury sources, traffickers and drugs and arms dealers, tax evaders and others seeking shelter from the law.
			The Observer	21/7/91	"BCCI failed to act on \$2bn danger signals" - Directors of BCCI initially refused to act on proposals made following PW's first report in March last year. The Bank of England also failed to act promptly on investigations in the US into BCCI's covert ownership of 3 US banks. Evidence found by



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					customs raids in London Miami and Paris reveal a highly developed system of counter balancing loans and cash deposits consistent with money laundering and tax evasion. Employees also anxious about ICIC provident fund based in Caymans. ICIC staff fund was a shareholder in BCCI largely as a result of purchasing the 30% stake sold by a concerned Bank of America in 1980.
	11		Financial Times	22/7/91	"Hints emerge of Abu Nidal accounts" - article detailing accounts used by terrorists. Auditors of BCCI had been concerned for more than 10 years about the way large bad loans were treated in the bank's books. BCCI's attempts to disguise them by breaking them into smaller amounts and shuffling them between different subsidiaries of the group were at the heart of the fraud that led to the banks closure. Loans were passed by book entry between different subsidiaries with no supporting documentation. Interest that accrued on the loans was taken into the banks profit and loss account even though no interest was ever received.
	14		The Times	22/7/91	"BCCI's accounts used to pay for nuclear arms" - secret accounts held by BCCI might have been used to fund nuclear weapons programmes in Iraq and Pakistan according to intelligence sources.
	14		Daily Mail	22/7/91	Intelligence agents hoped accounts held by terrorist groups at BCCI would lead them to the Lockerby bombers.
			The Guardian	22/7/91	"British Security Services were monitoring scandal hit bank".
	14		Daily Telegraph	22/7/91	"Secret network linked to drugs arms and terror" - about 1,500 bank staff some based in Pakistan are alleged to have run an unauthorised division known as the "Black Network" which relied on bribery, extortion, kidnapping and murder.
			Financial Times	22/7/91	"Bank presses Abu Dhabi on BCCI wind-up" - The Bank of England tried to persuade the ruler of Abu Dhabi to agree to a formal winding up of BCCI.
			The Times	22/7/91	"Sheikh seeks to halt BCCI winding up" - The ruler will ask for an adjournment to give them more time to decide whether the bank should be rescued. "Clearers furious over £100m levy" - to help bail out depositors of BCCI.
	14		The Today Newspaper	22/7/91	"Terrorist and CIA unmasked in £4bn scandal"
			The Times	23/7/91	"Nothing held back from enquiry into BCCI".
	14		The Independent	23/7/91	"PM silent over any BCCI link with terrorism".

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					"Abu Nidal visited bank in London" - Abu Nidal one of the world's most wanted terrorists visited London to view his accounts at the bank with full knowledge of MI5.
	1, 11, 18, 19		Daily Telegraph	23/7/91	<p>"Depositors win time as court delays petition for winding-up" - petition adjourned for 8 days. Ground put forward by Bank of England for winding up:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Company managed in dishonest and fraudulent manner.</li> <li>2. fraudulent activities and their consequences were concealed from the bank and other regulatory authorities.</li> <li>3. company's true position had been concealed.</li> <li>4. company's accounting records were unsatisfactory.</li> <li>5. there had been no adequate control system.</li> <li>6. management had acted without integrity and skill.</li> <li>7. The Bank of England had no trust or confidence in BCCI's senior management.</li> <li>8. BCCI was insolvent.</li> </ol>
1977 - 1985	1,2,3,6,7,8,11,18,19		The Times	23/7/91	"Turks offer to buy Swiss subsidiary".
			The Guardian	23/7/91	<p>"BCCI riddled with fraud says bank" - BCCI was so badly managed and riddled with fraud that it probably never made a profit. PW's report was made public revealing a complex web of false loans illegal channelling of funds and concealed losses. Between 1977 and 1985 BCCI's treasury operations alone lost over \$849m a loss that never appeared in BCCI's accounts. BCCI used funds from various sources to conceal the treasury losses and non performing loans. According to the report BCCI used funds from various sources eg semi charitable groups of companies which had shareholdings in BCCI. BCCI used 8 other methods to conceal losses:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. using unrecorded deposits.</li> <li>2. routing funds through accounts and companies set up by semi-charitable organisations.</li> <li>3. using funds to refresh bogus accounts to make it look as if interest was being paid by the borrowers.</li> <li>4. utilising secret agreements with an unrecorded borrowing through other banks and investment institutions.</li> <li>5. dealing in its own shares through nominees and using the profits generated by these transactions.</li> <li>6. Using it's interest in WXYZ (code name for company connected with</li> </ol>



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					BCCI) as security for further loans to nominees and thereby realising funds for fraud. 7. Entering into agreements with major customers by which BCCI indemnified and the customers confirmed balances to the auditors. 8. making drawdowns against fictitious loans and using the fund drawn down.
			Financial Times	23/7/91	"Gokal Brothers: Shipping group emerges as biggest bad debt" - the scale of the loans to the group controlled by 3 members of the Gokal company are understood to be in excess of \$400m. Most of the debt is believed to be hidden in a complicated web of transactions concealed within operations of BCCI (overseas) Limited in Grand Cayman.
			Financial Times	23/7/91	"Court hears extent of BCCI fraud" - BCCI was brought down by bad loans to Gokal. Central to the deception was a bank referred to as WXYZ. This bank (understood to be First American Bankshares) was used to generate fictitious loans. it's shares were purchased through various nominees to disguise the BCCI ownership and were used as security for loans and generating fictitious income.
			The Times	23/7/91	"Judge grants bank sheikh 8 days to start rescue". "Evidence of drug money link" - US Government was notified in Autumn of 1990 of BCCI's drugs money laundering operation based in Manhattan. Earlier in the year BCCI had admitted handling the profits of the drug trade at its branch in Tampa. BCCI fined \$15m and a number of employees jailed.
			Daily Telegraph	24/7/91	"a tale of tax evasion..." - Details of bank within a bank - 6,000 secret files containing undisclosed accounts. Massive and widespread fraud.
			Daily Telegraph	24/7/91	"Bank of France moved to halt branch activities in January". European bankers told of long running fears over viability of failed BCCI with restrictions put on the banks activities in France as long ago as January 1991.
			The Mirror	24/7/91	Arsonists sparked blaze at a branch of BCCI which destroyed many documents.
			The Guardian	24/7/91	"US Democrats given BCCI linked cash". "Gokal, Shippers to the bank" - the links between the Gokal shipping empire and BCCI were much closer than previously thought. the 2 groups were effectively sister companies and the founders of both organisations were fellow power brokers and presidential advisors in Pakistan in the

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			Financial Times	24/7/91	<p>"Leigh-Pemberton tells of criminal culture" - Bank of England was worried about possible fraudulent activities at BCCI as long ago as April 1990.</p> <p>"Gokal fronted in attempt to buy US Bank" - The Pakistan Shipping family tried and failed in 1976 to buy New York Bank because US regulators considered it a front for BCCI and were worried that the bank was inadequately regulated.</p>
			The Times	24/7/91	"Major and Kinnock in furious Commons clash over bank".
			Financial Times	24/7/91	"Bank told major of BCCI 2 years ago".
			The Guardian	24/7/91	"Bank of England backs Major over BCCI" - a previous chief exec of BCCI had made a massive attempt to conceal the fraud from auditors and regulators. PW discovered in 1991 that Mr Naqvi had kept more than 6,000 secret files relating to the "bank within a bank" and this helped convince the Bank of England that they had to act.
			The Guardian	24/7/91	"Governor is called to account" - Article about Robin Leigh-Pemberton's commons committee enquiry.
			Daily Mail	24/7/91	"Secret of the 6,000 bank files" - Robin Leigh-Pemberton came under attack for not acting earlier to shut down the bank.
			The Times	24/7/91	"BCCI fraud Chief named by Governor" - The Governor of the Bank of England has identified Swaleh Naqvi, the former Chief Exec of BCCI as the man who ran a multi-billion dollar fraud at a bank for more than a decade.
			Financial Times	25/7/91	"BCCI linked to heroine trade" - Pakistan's Finance Minister admitted that local branches of BCCI may have been used for laundering money from part of the country's billion dollar heroine trade. He also conceded that BCCI's branches in Pakistan may have been used to channel covert CIA assistance to the Afghan resistance.
			The Guardian	25/7/91	"Police discount link with fire at warehouse"
			The Guardian	25/7/91	"Chiefs of First American Bankshares reject charge" - Bank of England's written submission to the High Court indicated that First American played an important role in BCCI's operations. The Bank said that the security of the shares was used to generate funds to adjust loan accounts and to generate fictitious income. BCCI also used First American Bankshares funds to refresh bogus accounts to make it look as if interest was being paid by borrowers.

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			The Daily Telegraph	25/7/91	"BCCI collapse puts exports worth £1bn in jeopardy".
			Financial Times	25/7/91	"House Banking committee to investigate BCCI".
			Daily Telegraph	25/7/91	"How bank fraud spiralled" - fraudsters at BCCI were forced into a spiral of transactions worth many times the amount of the money they siphoned off from the bank. One major part of the fraud worked as follows: BCCI exec would record fictitious loan of say £100m to a well known and wealthy middle eastern individual. these fictitious loans were recorded as assets to conceal the banks loss incurred through bad debts, huge trading losses etc. BCCI also needed to be able to show interest income from the phoney loans to make them look realistic. this required cash which came from one of two places - one was \$600m of deposits which were never recorded by BCCI and unknown to the auditors. This money could be used without being missed. Other deposits which were recorded by BCCI were also used for its own purposes. The money was transferred with breakneck speed from one account to another even from one country to another just before inspection of BCCI's local accounts. sometimes it would appear as interest income and sometimes as fictitious deposits. when forced loans were due to be repaid the process would start again. Many funds were also routed through ICIC a group of companies controlled by BCCI's founder. 3rd party funds deposited with ICIC would also be used for BCCI's purposes.
			Independent	25/7/91	"MPs block attempt to delay BCCI enquiry".
			The Guardian	25/7/91	"Mastermind considers his options" - Mr Naqvi the mastermind behind BCCI fraud said that he had no clear idea about returning to Britain to help with enquiries.
			The Times	27/7/91	"CIA issued BCCI file" - the CIA circulated an intelligence report on BCCI's misdeeds to the US government and law enforcement agencies in 1986.
			The Times	27/7/91	"Interior Trading" - article about Mr Abedi's Interior designer who had to go to court to force him to pay for work done.
			The Guardian	27/7/91	"High Street Lenders agreed to channel money to small institutions -



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					<b>moves to prop up bank after BCCI crash” - the government faces rising political pressure to aid the 120,000 UK depositors with BCCI.</b>
			<b>The Guardian</b>	<b>27/7/91</b>	<b>“US Senate to investigate nuclear plot” - American legislators vowed to investigate Guardian's disclosures that Libya, Pakistan and Argentina secretly conspired to acquire nuclear weapons with the connivance of BCCI.</b>
			<b>The Sunday Times</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“Sheikh Mohamed Al-Maktoum an apology” - Times apologises as he was wrongly listed in the PW report as the recipient of a loan.</b>
			<b>News of the World</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“It's the Band of Coke and Call Girls International” - Bosses of BCCI blew £25m on drugs and sex. Files show that senior staff bought a tring of luxury homes to put up visiting customers as well as spending thousands of pounds on private medical clinics.</b>
			<b>Sunday Telegraph</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“Watchdog clears bank over BCCI” - the actions of the bank of england have been given a clean bill of health.</b>
			<b>Sunday Telegraph</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“Bank chief tells of BCCI rescue hope” - banker chosen to head restructure before BCCI closed down told of his hope for mounting a rescue. Abu Dhabi's ruling family planned to take legal action against PW for negligence.</b>
			<b>Observer</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“BCCI chiefs seek to avoid arrest” - Senior execs of the scandal plagued BCCI have sounded out the SFO on the possibility of “plea bargaining” and to avoid prosecution.</b>
			<b>Sunday Times</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“British Firms sold arms to Nidal - BCCI financed terror deals worth millions” - British defence companies sold millions of pounds worth of weapons to international terrorists in deals financed by BCCI. MI5 was aware of many of the transactions but allowed them to go ahead in order to be able to keep track of worldwide terrorist activities. There is also a suggestion from the Home Office that the Bank of Engalnd may have been slow to close BCCI because intelligence agents were using it in order to investigate the laundering of terrorist funds.</b>
			<b>Independent on Sunday</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“so what has he been playing at?” - The article deals with the bank of englands failure in its duty over BCCI and deals with the mysteries about the affairs of BCCI. it mentions how the bank made loans to people who did not exist, how it laundered Columbian drug money how it propped up 3rd world governments how it paid the CIA and how its loans helped purchase materials for an Islamic nuclear bomb.</b>
			<b>The Observer</b>	<b>28/7/91</b>	<b>“Norths BCCI - Irangate Deals” - Oliver North used BCCI in his illegal</b>

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			Financial Times	29/7/91	"Salvage moves closer for Pakistani branches" - Pakistani Finance Ministry said it would resist Bank of England pressures to liquidate BCCI branches.
			Daily Telegraph	30/7/91	"Collapsed Banks Arab customers may recoup losses" - Arab investors in failed BCCI could be compensated in full.
			Daily Telegraph	29/7/91	"Bank scandal - Nigeria was the victim of a multi million fraud by BCCI" - A former London based employee of BCCI has alleged that its credit operation was abused by a group of employees to defraud Nigeria of hundreds of millions of dollars during the 1980s. the clerk says that the country's central bank was systematically tricked into paying for fictitious cargos. Container ships would either be empty or cargo would be different from the one paid for. BCCI would create dummy companies in Panama under the name of winners of various contracts that the central bank of Nigeria in Lagos put out to tender. the bank would issue a letter of credit to the failing company and would then seek full payment by the Nigerian Central bank. It is also alleged that the IRA used BCCI's money laundering service. BCCI would accept sacks of cash then wire the money to its branches bypassing any exchange controls that operated in those countries.
			Daily Telegraph	29/7/91	"Plea to Major" - Major cam under pressure to throw his wight behind last minute attempts to keep part of the collapsed BCCI open.
			Financial Times	29/7/91	"Abu Dhabi refuses to help BCCI depositors"
			Daily Telegraph	22/7/91	"A bulging brief of legal lid lifters" - who will head BCCI enquiry?
			Financial Times	29/7/91	"Lamont hope enquiry will end before election".
			The Guardian	29/7/91	"Bribery brow on Capital Hill" - 3 leading Washington Law firms were engaged in lobbying top politicians in the US Congress on behalf of BCCI.
			The Daily Telegraph	29/7/91	the IRA used BCCI's money laudering service.
			The Times	29/7/91	"BCCI rescue effort running out of time" - efforts to mount a rescue operation for BCCI are likely to fail.
			Financial Times	30/7/91	"A profile of Mr Robert Morgenthau -the Dean among District Attorneys".
			Financial Times	30/7/91	"Lord Bingham - Enquiry will be opened this week".
			Financial Times	30/7/91	"Please Prime Minister - Major refuses to support the restructuring". "Abu Dhabi - an information vacuum filled only by rumours" - millions of

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					dollars worth of goods are piled up in the UAE ports because BCCI's collapse has left importers unable to prove their right to them.
			The Observer	1/9/91	Interview with Masihur Rahman one of the top BCCI officials. he blames PW and Bank of England for failure to regulate BCCI. he goes into detail about the fictitious accounts set up by BCCI, their shares in First American and the appropriation of funds from ICIC.
			The Observer	1/9/91	Article deals with allegations made against PW and Bank of England by Rahman of "gross negligence" incompetence and apathy. BCCI spent up to \$50m a year on entertainment and provision of customer services. The Dubai ruling family repay deposits and phoney loans. BCCI allowed a senior bank official to earn a personal commission of several million dollars on a bad loan to the state owned Nigerian Petroleum Corporation costing the bank \$200m when the Nigerians could not repay. BCCI allowed another official who assisted in the fraud to divert a six figure payment into his own account before leaving. Another senior official was paid \$2m to keep silent. Abedi's 2 homes in London and Naqvi's London homes were owned by BCCI. The BCCI employee in Panama who first offered to launder money for undercover US customs agents costing the bank \$50m in legal fees and fines had no banking experience and was hired because of his relationship with a senior BCCI official.
			The Daily Express	2/9/91	Reports said that actress Brooke Shields links with Iraqi Arab are being investigated as part of the BCCI scandal. The arab agreed to finance the film but during the filming 5 years ago tried to pull out substituting his cash for BCCI loans. the \$10m budget has not been recouped.
			The Guardian	2/9.91	Reports on problems facing the Bigham enquiry when so many key witnesses are abroad. No power to subpoena. The Western Isles Council Committee is studying an independent report into the local authority's £23m loss in the BCCI collapse.
			The Independent	2/9/91	Reports that a glaring loop hole and a Bank of England depositor protection scheme has enabled a significant number of BCCI customers to make multiple claims on the fund. The treasury made an order to prevent large customers of BCCI assigning deposits of friends and relatives.
			The Financial Times	12/9/91	"US agencies seek Naqvi handover" - 2 US law enforcement agencies investigating fraud at BCCI have made a joint request for the Abu Dhabi Government to hand over Mr Naqvi the banks former chief executive.
			The Financial	2/9/91	"Closure will top agenda as bank regulators meet" - speculates on the



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			Times		changes in international banking law forced by the BCCI breakdown that will emerge from the meeting of the Basle Committee of banking officials.
			The Financial Times	3/9/91	"Auditors attack former bank chief" - Reports on PW's bitter response to the criticisms levelled at them by Fomrer Chief Financial Officer Mr Rahman. PW accused Mr Rahman of misrepresenting the facts then as a member of the treasury committee and an attendee of BCCI Audit Committee Meetings he was well aware of the true position
			Daily Telegraph	2/9/91	"Tax fears reduce claims at BCCI" - reports that fewer depositors expected to have applied for interim relief from the provisional liquidator of the collapse of BCCI. only a few thousand depositors have sent in forms to prvisional liquidators requesting compensation despite widespread publicity of the maximum £15,000 per depositor available.
			The Guardian	3/9/91	"London Judge freezes \$23m of Noriegas cash hoard" - reports that the Panamanian Government has launched a new High Court action in London to reclaim the fortune it claims was amassed by Manuel Noriega and deposited in BCCI.
			Today	3/9/91	Linda "Wonderwoman" Carter could lose glamorous lifestyle since her husband the lawyer Robert Altman is linked with the \$3bn collapse of BCCI. Altman resigned as president of First National Bank and it was revealed that the bank was secretly owned by BCCI. He has been summoned to testify before congress on Sept 11th.
			The Guardian	3/9/91	"Chief of Western Isles quits over \$24m loss" - Reports that the leader of Western Isles council resigned as a matter of honour.
			The Times	3/9/91	"Indonesian Bank may buy BCCI subsidiary" - BCCI's Hong Kong subsidiary may be bought by the Hong Kong Chinese Bank an offshoot of the Indonesian Lippo group. The provisional liquidator has signed an agreement to negotiate exclusively with HKCB for 8 weeks. if the deal fails BCCHK will go into liquidation as planned.
			The Times	3/9/91	"Western Isles Chief quits over BCCI"
			Financial Times	3/9/91	"Council Chairman to resign"
			The Times	4/9/91	"Cayman Court agrees to BCCI hearing delay" - the Cayman Islands court has agreed to delay until December 16th the hearing to shut BCCI. Delay asked to give BCCI' majority shareholder time to work out a restructuring plan for the bank.
			The Times	4/9/91	"Isles Council criticised over BCCI"
			The Daily	4/9/91	"Isles Officials at fault in BCCI loss" - report criticises the chief exec and

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			<b>Telegraph</b>		<b>chief finance officers.</b>
			<b>Independent</b>	5/9/91	“lawyers get together over BCCI” - US lawyers are meeting the British solicitors to explain the scope of their multi-billion dollar class action on behalf of creditors of BCCI and its implication to UK creditors. Milberg Weiss filed a class action complaint in California on behalf of Shrichand Chawla who lost \$600,000 following collapse of BCCI. Defendants include PW and Ernst & Young, Sheikh Zayed. the plaintiff and anyone joined to a class action are entitled to treble damages as well as the cost of bringing the suit.
			<b>The Times</b>	5/9/91	“Isle Enquiry”
			<b>Daily Telegraph</b>	14/9/91	“Bank criticised over BCCI strategy” - BCCI and other international regulators were yesterday criticised by a senior official of America Central Bank for paying too much attention in the past to try and save BCCI. the President of the New York Federal Reserve Gerald Corrigan gave this as a reason behind the refusal to join an international body formed to look into BCCI’s affairs.
			<b>Financial Times</b>	6/9/91	<p>“Abu Dhabi names body to consider relaunch” - Body to review the restructuring plans of the bank and examine where the continuation of operations could be economically fusible.</p> <p>Further reports that the offshore arm of BCCI suffered losses of \$638m in 3 and a half years according to report by court appointed liquidators. the offshore banking entity BCCI (Overseas) had 2 arms controlled by head offices based in London and then in Abu Dhabi. one arm was a network of 63 branches in 28 countries that had little contact with the office. the other arm known as BCCI Cayman had \$3.3bn in loans.</p> <p>Further reports on indictment of Mr Gerado Nmoncada one of the Medellin Cocaine cartel’s leaders stating that it was issued some 5 years after customs officers began investigating his connections to the cartel. Operation C-Chase brought a success of prosecutions against BCCI’s 2 main banking subsidiaries. CapCom Financial Services (the main brokers for BCCI’s treasury operations) was never indicted but was suspended by LIFFE., the Association of International Bond Dealers the association of futures dealers and brokers and the Chicago Mercantile exchange.</p>
			<b>Daily Telegraph</b>	6/9/91	“Banks former treasury head arrested in France” - Anglo American operation has resulted in the arrest in France of the former treasury department head of BCCI. The treasury department was identified by PW as being in the centre of the alleged fraud which cost the bank \$1bn. Mr

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					Syed Ziauddin Ali Akbar was one of the 6 BCCI officials indicted in the US of laundering millions of pounds of drugs money. The indictment brands BCCI as "a racketeering organisation" and accuses the 6 bank officials of laundering more that \$14m in drug proceeds between 1983 and 1989. Mr Akbar is alleged to have helped Noriega hide and transfer millions of dollars of proceeds from drug trafficking after Noriega was indicted on drugs charges in July 1988. Congressional investigators have claimed that American Narcotics agents knew of more than 100 cases linking BCCI to drug investigations during the 1980s yet failed to act against the bank..
			Financial Times	7/9/91	<p>"Investment Official defends action" - The Finance Director of Western Isles admitted he received warnings about BCCI after the indictment for money laundering but felt that after a restructuring last year it should become a very safe institution.</p> <p>Meanwhile Mr Leonel Figueroa former president of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru and the banks General Manager named in July for having received \$3m in bribes from BCCI in return for deposits of up to \$270m of Peru's national reserves were charged with receiving bribes and corruption.</p> <p>Meanwhile scathing criticism for Criminal Investigation Division in Miami and interviews conducted by IRS agents with employee Rehman. Wealthy smuggling customer is Mr Munther Bilbeisi, a Jordanian Arms dealer.</p>
			Observer	8/9/91	<p>"God greed and BCCI" - Masihur Rahman the former Chief Financing Officer of BCCI reveals inside story of worlds largest bank fraud. Mr Abedi was always late for meetings with senior execs to make dramatic entrance. he would talk to God outside which would result in the execs abandoning thoughts of banking to consider what message God had for BCCI. It was a potent cocktail of Muslim mysticism with third world idealism and American self interest and greed that created the criminal culture that Robin Leigh-Pemberton said lay at the heart of BCCI. Rahman talks of fictional accounts falsified documents etc. he is a protected witness following threats to his life.</p>
			Daily Telegraph	21/10/91	BCCI Depositors protection association is pressing the United States Authorities not to impose fines on the collapsed BCCI which would reduce funds which could be repaid to depositors. Report claims that American prosecutors ignored repeated warnings from Lloyds of London about



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					illegal activities by BCCI. a Lloyds lawyer has given the senate foreign relations sub-committee details of how BCCI execs took part in a conspiracy with Jordanian trader Munther Bilbeisi to smuggle millions of dollars in arms and coffee throughout the world. Lloyds is suing Mr Bilbeisi and BCCI in Federal Court for making false insurance claims. Lloyds lawyer said the smuggling operation demonstrated how "important the bank was in facilitating criminal activity". BCCI financed his transactions with loose and accomodating letters of credit. it then moved his money to conceal accounts. it arranged cash payments to him and prepared paperwork which concealed what had occurred.
			Guardian	22/10/91	Mark Brailey trainee accountant arrested for plotting to destroy or steel documents needed for potential legal action against BCCI was refused bail.
			Financial Times	22/10/91	High Court have given PW leave to provide confidential information about its former client to the Bingham enquiry.
			The Times	22/10/91	Douglas Hogg, the Foreign office minister is visiting Abu Dhabi at the end of the month to restore relations between Britain and the UAE after the closure of BCCI.
			Financial Times	15/8/91	Roy Hattersley has warned that UK depositors in BCCI will learn more of the scandal from televised reports of US congressional hearings than from Lord Justice Bingham's enquiry.
			The Independent	22/10/91	MP's investigating the collapse of BCCI have been allowed to see only a censored copy of the report into the affair.
			Daily Telegraph	22/10/91	Trainee accountant remanded in custody re: plotting to destroy documents.
			Financial Times	23/10/91	Labour Mps demand that ministers should be called at the earliest opportunity to give evidence on the BCCI to the Commons Treasury Committee enquiry.
			Financial Times	23/10/91	According to testimony in US senate the collapsed BCCI made payments to the family of Indira Gandhi to relatives of General Zia of Pakistan and to leading Zimbabwe politicians. Mr Abdur Sakhia the former general manager of BCCI's US operations alleges that the purpose of the payments in the form of cash, subsidised loans or donations to favourite charities was to "buy relationships and to buy influence". The Senate also released documents which show a 1996 loan of £400,000 Barbadian Dollars by BCCI's Barbados operation to the local office of Price

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					<b>Waterhouse. PW maintain that it was legal.</b>
			<b>Financial Times</b>	<b>24/10/91</b>	<b>Burt Lance a former Carter administration official claimed that the CIA co-opted Aga Hasan Abedi and turned BCCI into the bank of the CIA.</b>
			<b>Guardian</b>	<b>24/10/91</b>	<b>Evidence of Burt Lance who advised BCCI to buy Financial General Bankshares which later became First American but advised its founder to follow proper regulatory procedures.</b>
			<b>Independent</b>	<b>25/10/91</b>	<b>Clark Clifford vehemently denies any double dealing in receiving a "sweetheart" loan from BCCI to buy shares in his own Washington based bank.</b>
			<b>Financial Times</b>	<b>25/10/91</b>	<b>Senior members of congress investigating the BCCI have criticised a former top white house official for accepting \$600,000 to represent Sheikh Adham identified as one of the key figures in the BCCI affair. he was one of the front men in the secret purchase of First American Bankshares.</b>
			<b>The Times</b>	<b>31/7/91</b>	<b>"Bank defeated Sheikh offers £50m BCCI Deal" - Bank of England was defeated in the High Court to wind up BCCI after ruler of Abu Dhabi unveiled a £50m emergency compensation package for customers and staff. Court postponed the liquidation. The Bank of England argued that a bank that had been run in a "scandalously fraudulent manner" should not been allowed to survive.</b>
			<b>Guardian</b>	<b>31/7/91</b>	<b>"Extradition moves may be futile" - re efforts by Manhattan District Attorney to extradite Mr Abedi but problem that US has no extradition treaty with Pakistan or Abu Dhabi. Even where extradition treaties exist it makes it even more difficult for the US authorities to get hold of drugs dealers and terrorists because of domestic considerations.</b>
			<b>The Times</b>	<b>31/7/91</b>	<b>"Bank victims sweat it out in Court 35" - articler summing up Sir Nicholas Browne Wilkinson's decision not to wind up BCCI.</b>
			<b>The Times</b>	<b>31/7/91</b>	<b>"Founder has no regrets" - While the empire he built crumbles around him, Agha Abedi founder of BCCI is confident that he will be vindicated. "positive forces will finally overcome the negative forces". Abedi said that his main aim was to serve the poor and because of that he allocated a large portion of BCCI's profits to charity.</b>
			<b>The Financial Times</b>	<b>31/7/91</b>	<b>"High Court Ruling -Hopes of depositors raised" - High Courts decision to postpone the winding up of BCCI will come as welcome news to the banks thousands of small depositors in the UK. The Vice Chancellor granted extra time to enable Touche Ross and Sheikh Zayed and the Abu Dhabi Government to explore ways of reviving BCCI. A longer term</b>

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					solution depends on restoring BCCI's business and the prospects of that remain dim.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"Reaction to decision - employees and customers say Justice has prevailed" - employees and creditors of BCCI were celebrating last night following the High Court decision to postpone liquidation of the bank.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"US Indictment - Inter bank exposure said to total \$2bn" - The disclosure in Monday's New York Indictment against BCCI that American Express Bank had an exposure of \$30m to the bank was an indication of the depth of BCCI's involvement in the banking market. The Indictment said that the US bank had more than \$12.9m in foreign exchange trades, \$10M in non-collateralised placements and \$6.9m in letters of credit and acceptances with the BCCI group. All these sums had been stolen by BCCI the Indictment said.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"World round up - Inquiry by senate sub-committee" - The Senate sub-committee last night became the third congressional committee to announce a "full scale" investigation into the BCCI affair. The enquiry will focus on why US regulators did not act sooner. In UAE a finance official has criticised the Bank of England and described as stupid the closure of BCCI by foreign monetary officials. Abi Dhabi shareholders said that they were in the process of re-structuring BCCI when the Bank of England closed the British operations on July 5.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"World losses may reach \$13bn" - World wide losses resulting from the BCCI scandal may total as much as \$13bn according to US investigators. The Manhattan DA spent yesterday morning meeting officials of the BCCI commission of Peru's House of Delegates as well as a lawyer from the former Peruvian President who has denied allegations by the Peruvian Commission investigating BCCI to siphon \$50m out of Lima.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"Public Opinion in the Enirates - Rulers popularity remains undented" - despite the fact that ownership of 77% of BCCI shares by Sheikh Zayed has placed him and his family at the centre of the imbroglio over the biggest banking fraud in history, Sheikh Zayed's popularity remains undented.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"some early refunds expected" - The government of Abu Dhabi yesterday appeared to be fulfilling expectations that BCCI depositors in the UAE would not be left out of pocket by the closure of BCCI's UAE local branches.



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			Financial Times	31/7/91	"Peruvian politics - allegations over ex president" - a potential 1995 come back for Peru's former president, Alan Garcia has been called into question by Monday's allegations in New York that 2 top officials of Peru's Central reserve bank during his presidency took bribes of \$3m in return for placing a slice of Peru's international reserve with BCCI. The Manhattan DA's office have claimed to have information that Mr Garcia knew about the bribes.
			Financial Times	31/7/91	"Explanations from Lima - deposit placement was technical" - one of the 2 men accused by the Manhattan DA of having accepted bribes to place Peruvian Central bank deposits with BCCI has described his reasons for having termed the bank as "purely technical"
			Independent	31/7/91	"BCCI savers get £50m - Abu Dhabi rescue plan wins bank 4 month reprieve" - the collapsed BCCI was rescued from liquidation yesterday and Sheikh Zayed the ruler who controls 77% of the shares placed £50m in a bank account in London to help the hardship of UK savers. the majority of BCCI's 36,000 sterling depositors will each receive 75% of their savings up to a maximum of £5,000.
			Daily Telegraph	31/7/91	"BCCI rescue could mean setting up new bank" - Any rescue of BCCI is likely to take the form of setting up a new bank with a completely separate legal structure.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Auditors suggest that they were misled" - the second PW report on Oct 3rd 1990 describes BCCI's main problems loans in detail. BCCI problem loans have gone up \$673m to \$2bn. PW said that it was deliberately misled about the state of the loan books. The report also raises questions about loans to Kifco, a Kuwait company linked to BCCI which lent funds to BCCI's major borrowers. PW examines the close link between BCCI and ICIC, its investment affiliate which made loans secured on BCCI shares, created a worrying pattern of circular lending. The report concludes that the group will need a further \$1.5bn of financial support to pull through.
			Guardian	2/8/91	"BCCI enquiry "cover up" row" - Lord Justice Bingham called in to investigate handling of BCCI scandal will hold its hearings in private. and will not look into the question of compensation for victims of the collapse. The narrow scope of the enquiry emerged as the Guardian learnt that 1000 vital documents had been destroyed by BCCI's Abu Dhabi headquarters on the order of senior executives. Informed sources say that the shredding of tons of documents began hours after the bank of England

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					led international closure of BCCI on 5 July. documents included details of loan negotiations, personal files and memorandum between top bank officers.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Labour expresses its concerns over enquiry" - the independent enquiry into the action taken by UK regulators against BCCI starts today with a request for submissions from all those with relevant information on the bank. Labour expressed concern that the enquiry under Bingham LJ would not subject ministers and government departments to the same scrutiny as others. Mr John Smith the shadow chancellor called on the government to make it crystal clear that ministers would not receive preferential treatment.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"SOFTWARE TO HIDE PAYMENT SOUGHT" - the London HQ of BCCI was as long ago as 1981 seeking computer software that would hide from the UK tax authorities salary payments to executive and to allow the creation of a secret set of accounts. according to a former employer the bank was looking for software which would provide a public payroll and set off accounts together with their secret counterparts, in a section of the computer accessible only to a few people. The computer company in question is COMshare.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"President announces bribes investigation" - President Fujimori has announced a full investigation within Peru to enter the allegations made by Robert Morgenthau, Manhattan DA that the 2 former reserve bank officials accepted \$3m in bribes from BCCI.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Protection fund billed to banks may total £82m" - The BCCI affair is likely to cost other UK bank about £82m according to the bank of England. this is the sum that will be needed to refund a payment for depositors from the deposit protection fund which is financed by levies on the banking industry.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Holding Company in administration" - A Luxembourg court last night put BCCI holdings SA into formal controlled administration.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Staff launch plead to Sheikh Zayed" - BCCI employees fearful of redundancies among the banks UK staff have written to Sheikh Zayed urging him to compensate them for their diligence and loyalty.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Hints of worried compensation" - There were hints that the voluntary compensation scheme offered by the Abu Dhabi government might extend beyond BCCI depositors in the UK.

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			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Employees fear lost benefits" - BCCI's staff in the Cayman Islands are angry at receiving termination notices from the provisional liquidator without any assurance that accrued benefits will be paid.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Liquidation likely to proceed says top banking source" - BCCI banking operations in the UAE almost certainly face liquidation a senior banking source in Abu Dhabi said yesterday. The go ahead is likely to be given as soon as Touche Ross receive the necessary court order. Liquidation is expected even though Abu Dhabi contains BCCI's operational headquarters and is home to the banks principle shareholders. The Abu Dhabi position contrasts with that in the UK where Sheikh Zayed's representatives won time from the High Court to attempt a possible reconstruction of BCCI's UK banking operation. An authoritative source said that there was little to be salvaged from BCCI's 8 branch network because its liabilities far exceed its assets. The Bank also had little in the form of tangible assets because under local regulations with foreign based banks, its buildings were rented.
			Financial Times	2/8/91	"Zimbabwe and Zambia Railways said to face losses of £58m" - The national railway of Zimbabwe and Zambia stand to lose about ZIM\$330m frozen at BCCI. BCCI held cash deposits over Rhodesia Railways a British registered company formed in colonial days and now owned by Zimbabwe and Zambia. The failure of BCCI is being portrayed widely in Africa as a Western plot against the 3rd world. Governments in 4 of the 21 African countries where BCCI operated have kept subsidiaries open and some have no plans to investigate charges that include drug money laundering and channelling funds for terrorist activities.
			Sunday Times	4/8/91	Neil Kinnock accused John Major of misleading Mps about the official enquiry into the collapse of BCCI.
			The Times	2/8/91	"Collapsed bank had 3,000 criminal clients" - BCCI had dealings with 3,000 leading criminals a former United States Investigator said yesterday. In sworn testimony Jack Blum, whose enquiry in 1987 led to the current investigation into BCCI's fraud and money laundering also criticised US Justice Department officials for failing to follow up leads he had given them.
			Evening Standard	2/8/91	"Drug Barons £187m loss" - Thai drug baron Khun Sa stands to lose £187m from the failure of BCCI.
			Daily Telegraph	2/8/91	"CIA secret memo told of illegal activities" - CIA told several government departments of illegal activities of BCCI as far back as 1986. Senator



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					John Carrey said that a confidential CIA memo showed that BCCI illegally took over Washingtons largest bank First American Bankshares. The Senator said "In 1986 the CIA knew BCCI was a criminal enterprise. Although a number of US agencies were told about the secret ownership of first american by BCCI apparently no one did anything about it.
			The Times	3/8/91	"Fraud detectives pressed for BCCI Charges years ago" - fraud squad detectives investigating the £240m collapse of Johnson Matthews bankers over 6 years ago pressed for the prosecution of BCCI officials because they believed they were being instructed in tracing funds as a businessman linked to JMB. The JMB case was one of several enquiries that raised questions about BCCI. Customs investigators believed that the london HQ at one stage kept an office that dealt with between 50 and 100 secret numbered accounts. In October 1988 customs investigators raided the Leadenhall branch in a money laundering investigation linked to General Noriega. they uncovered files relating to the General and his familya. after the raids it is alleged, BCCI officials moved the secret account.
			Daily Telegraph	3/8/91	"Abu Dhabi knew of bank fraud but stayed silent" - members of the Abu Dhabi government knowingly concealed the key part played by some of its top officials in the worlds largest banking scandal. the report makes clear for the first time the depth and scale of the alleged corruption in the bank.
			Daily Telegraph	3/8/91	"Workers were too scared to tell about Mafia Link" - BCCI provided financial services for a mafia front company a former employee claimed yesterday. he said that the mafia's involvement with the London branch was known or supposed by many of the staff during the 1980's but they were too scared to tell the authorities. BCCI had a policy of employing Asian staff who could barely speak English and were unlikely to find another job - sometimes whole families would be employed. Also salaries were above the market average and staff were provided with good accommodation. Rumours were rife about a BCCI hit squad who would deal with employees who asked too many questions or threatened to expose the bank. the banks working culture was one of secrecy and informality with questions and formal job titles discouraged. Few records of transactions were kept and BCCI did not have the sort of computer system with back up files in case of damage to the master copy. This made it easier to prevent inspectors from discovering the fraud and meant that when the computer files were moved to Abu Dhabi no other copies were left behind.

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			Daily Telegraph	3/8/91	"Bank handled Peru sale of jets to Iraq" - The London HQ of BCCI was accused of having brokered the sale by Peru of 14 French Mirage Jet Fighters to Iraq in 1985. A group of Peruvian Mps claimed BCCI had helped to falsify documents needed to transport the aircraft. This had been necessary because international arms dealers had been involved.
			Financial Times	3/8/91	"Labour call on Auditors' duties" - labour last night said that the Financial times disclosure of the contents of the PW reports on BCCI highlighted the need for government action to remove grey areas in the role of auditors.
			Financial Times	3/8/91	"Abu Dhabi warned directors over illegality" - documents obtained by the FT show that the Abu Dhabi government warned directors of BCCI late last year of its support for a last ditch rescue attempt of the bank.
			New York Times	19/9/92	"3 indicted in Georgia BCCI case" - Fed grand jury in Atlanta has indicted 3 former top executives from National Bank of Georgia charging that they conspired to hand control of the bank over to a middle eastern financial empire who has secretly sought to put hold in the US. The indictment accused the banks former controller William Batastini of receiving an illegal \$95,000 from BCCI which has been accused of using bribery fraud and political influence to seize control of American financial institutions.
			Washington Times	22/9/92	"First Union Dubai Dominion coverts First American" - First Union announced that it was buying Dubai Dominion Bank Shares Corporation a \$8.9bn bank holding company. The chairman of First Union further stated that his bank plan to make a bid for First American Washington Area Operations. Federal regulators have ordered First American's middle eastern owner to sell the bank by next July after learning it was secretly bought by the now defunct BCCI a decade ago.
			Washington Post	23/9/92	"Abu Dhabi bears some BCCI files; move leads doubts" - concerns the alleged stone walling of investigators looking in the BCCI scandal by the government of the Persian Gulf State of Abu Dhabi. The reluctance by Abu Dhabi to make information available to investigators has led some investigators to question privately whether Abu Dhabi is attempting to cover the extent of this involvement with BCCI. Some of the Abu Dhabi documents were examined briefly in early 1991 by Federal Reserve investigators; sources said that such documents have helped form the basis of some of the allegations brought over the past 14 months, that BCCI misled regulators, defrauded depositors and illegally purchased at

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					least 4 US Banks including Washingtons First American Bankshares Incorporated.
			Financial Times	23/9/92	"Accountant admits BCCI paper leak" - an accountant working on the serious fraud investigation into the collapse of BCCI leaked highly confidential documents to make money by insider dealing.
			Financial Times	23/9/92	"Abu Dhabi issues documents in the US" - government of Abu Dhabi released 19,000 important BCCI documents to US investigators and had invited US officials to visit Abi Dhabi in the next 2 months. however the government of Abi Dhabi is not giving the BCCI documents to them but is merely allowing the authorities to view the documents.
			Financial Times	23/9/92	Labour party called for a thorough review of banking regulations once the results of the enquiries into last years collapse of BCCI are published/
			Daily Express	24/9/92	"Mellor and more Arab holidays in the sunshine" - Arab Sheikhs entertained David Mellor and his family to 2 luxury holidays. Funds were provided by Abu Dhabis billionaire ruler Sheikh Zayed.
			Daily Mail	24/9/92	"Mellors winter warm up on Sheikhs paradise Isle" - david Mellor and his family were guests of Sheikh Zayed.
			The Observer	27/9/92	"Delay on Senates BCCI report aids bank" - the postponement in Washington last week of the publication of a senate committees report into fraud ridden BCCI has encouraged speculation that the Bank of England is seeking to delay announcement of the committees findings which are expected to be highly critical. The senate report is likely to criticise the banks failing to act on mounting evidence of fraud and illegal activity by BCCI that dated from 1985.
			The Independent	27/9/92	"Bank of Engalnd over "bribes" and "Claim"" - B of E has called in the SFO to investigate allegations that officials took bribes from senior executives at BCCI.
			"Unknown"	28/9/92	"Fraud police called in by Bank of England" - Bank of Engalnd called in the SFO to investigate allegations that some officials took bribes from executives at BCCI. This course of action was followed only after an internal enquiry by the Bank of Engalnd was unable to find any evidence to substantiate claims.
			Washington Post	29/9/92	"British pro BCCI bribe allegations" - British investigators confirmed today that they are probing allegations that Bank of Engalnd officials took cash bribes from executives of the collapsed BCCI. The Bank of Engalnd learnt of the allegations last year in conducting exhaustive internal



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					enquiry that found no wrong doing but the allegations were so serious that the bank turned them over to the SFO.
			Guardian	30/9/92	"Liquidators to launch court action against BCCI auditors" - BCCI liquidators are to file multi-billion dollar writs against the banks former joint auditors PW and Ernst & Young.
			Financial Times	1/10/92	"Auditors count the cost of BCCI" - Provisional liquidators prepare the latest attempt to recover monies for creditors. Lawyers and accountants have been putting the final touches to a statement of claim detailing charges likely to exceed \$8bn against accountancy firms employed as auditors to BCCI in 1985 and 1986.
			Financial Times	1/10/92	"The jailing of an accountant for 3 years who was working on the SFO investigating the collapsed BCCI. Convicted of conspiring to pervert the course of justice by trying to sell confidential information from the enquiry to a solicitor acting for a suspect.
			Wall Street Journal	1/10/92	"BCCI's auditors bracing for liquidators claims"former auditors of BCCI are bracing themselves for a multi-billion dollar claim against them by liquidators for the collapsed bank. Deloitte & Touche the accountancy firm acting as liquidator for BCCI plan to sue PW and E&Y for about \$8bn. The March writ filed with the High Court alleged negligence, breach of duty and breach of contract relating to BCCI audits for 1985 and 1986.
			New York Times	1/10/92	"Law suits to seek billions from BCCI auditors" - the liquidators of BCCI is intending to seek billions of dollars in damages from the failed banks auditors.
			Unknown	unknown	"BCCI auditors face \$8bn suit" - details how PW and E&Y are to be sued for an estimated \$8bn for alleged negligence and breach of contract in their audit of BCCI.
			Financial Times	2/10/92	"Luxembourg: Industry and Investment" - highlights how in a harmonised EC Luxembourg will have to work hard if it does not want to stagnate as both the smallest and wealthiest member state.
			Financial Times	2/10/92	"BCCI linked bank for sale" - the First American Bank of Georgia formerly owned by Mr Ghaith Pharaon the Saudi investor who has been named by the Federal Reserve as a front man for BCCI has been put on the auction block.
			Washington Times	2/10/92	"Big Banks to battle for First American" - some of the areas biggest banks are expected to be among the bidders for First American Bankshares inc

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					Washingtons largest bank holding co.
			unknown	unknown	"Panel Charges - BCCI use Clifford loopholes tp grow in US" - BCCI used political insiders like former defence secretary Clarke Clifford and exploited regulatory loopholes to commit fraud on a global scale. The 800 page report by the Senate Foreign relations sub-committee on Terrorism stated that BCCI avoided prosecution by making pay offs to officials in at least 11 foriegn countries.
			New York Times	2/10/92	"Senate analysis tells how BCCI derailed enquiries" - the Senate report released today showed that the bank successfully derailed congressional enquiries into its affairs which ranged from international money laundering to terrorism. The report offers a scathing portrait of how political influence and international bribery combined with government incompetence and inaction acts as a catalyst to one of the biggest financial frauds in history.
			Financial Times	2/10/92	"Allegations mount up" - Carey report highlights 3 points that need to be addressed: 1. when did PW first detect evidence of fraud? 2. should the bank regulators have shut it down earlier? 3. how much did Abu Dhabi know? The Bank of Engalnd has always argued that it only had partial responsibility for BCCI because it was headquartered in Luxembourg.
			Financial Times	2/10/92	"Morganthau's office wins lavish praise" - the office of the Manhattan DA was the subject of consistent praise in the carey report Mr Morganthau who brought the first wide ranging farud charges against BCCI in July last year is singled out as having been far ahead of US or British authorities in uncovering criminality at BCCI and is credited with having essentially forced the Bush administration and the Bank of England into taking action against BCCI.
			Financial Times	2/10/92	"Price Waterhouse doubly criticised" - PW comes in for criticism in the carey report in equal measure for its role as auditor to BCCI and for its lack of cooperation with the committee in providing information.
			Wall Street Journal	2/10/92	"Senate report on BCCI criticises CIA and regulators details banks crimes" - details that a senate report on the BCCI scandal criticised bank regulators particularly the bank of england as well as the CIA for failing to prevent the banks long criminal rampage. The report details how BCCI systematically bribed and coopted leaders and political figures throughout the world, laundered money broke regulations at will and had tax evaders drug dealers and other criminals over its 19 year life.

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			Wall Street Journal	2/10/92	"Letters to the editor - Sheikh Zayed's role as BCCI Shareholder" - A letter acknowledging the role of Sheikh Zayed due to previous editorial based on a misunderstanding of his role as shareholder and creditor of First American.
			Guardian	2/10/92	"Senate attacks bank of England" - Carey report - sweeping condemnation of the bank of England and PW. BCCI implicated over the years in drug running money laundering bribing government officials and even running cash movement schemes to enable countries such as Pakistan and Argentina to build their own nuclear weapons.
			Guardian	2/10/92	"Carey Gets the heart of the UK secret Obsessions" - Highlights that Carey's conclusions within the report reveal there were suspicions of depositors and politicians who allege that the bank and PW were directly responsible for the injury done to tens of thousands of BCCI depositors including many UK local authorities around the world.
			unknown	unknown	"Fraud police called in by Bank of England" - Bank of England called in the SFO to investigate allegations that some of its officials took bribes from executives of the collapsed BCCI.
			Evening Standard	2/10/92	"Bank hits back over BCCI report" - Bank of England is outraged by ferocious attacks in its handling of the BCCI affair published in the Carey report. The report says that Britain's central bank "colluded in the suppression of the true facts concerning BCCI's financial status and its involvement in fraud" after receiving evidence of fraud in the spring of 1990.
			Guardian	3/10/92	"Bank of England denies BCCI collusion claim" - The bank of England launched an attack on the Carey report on BCCI particularly the accusation that the 2 banks acted in collusion. The Carey report states that documentation pertaining to BCCI's use to finance terrorism, to assist the builders of a Pakistani nuclear bomb to finance Iranian arms deals and related matters have been sealed by the British Intelligence.
			Financial Times	3/10/92	"US report on BCCI attacks bank" - Bank of England withheld information about BCCI's fraud of 15 months before the closing of the bank.
			Guardian	3/10/92	"Bank faces law suit after customer has a breakdown" -
			Telegraph	4/10/92	"Urshad smuggled out millions of Dollars through BCCI" - the Carey sub committee has stated that BCCI stole millions even disaster relief funds from Bangladesh,



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			Mail on Sunday	4/10/92	"Murky past of Mr X" - reveals past of Mr X whose allegations of bribery against Bank of England officials have led to a serious fraud office probe announced last week.. In a sworn statement Mr X said he saw the BCCI's founder give a briefcase stuffed with cash to a colleague who passed it to bank of England officials. Mr X has a past which includes being jailed for 2 years for cheque fraud in addition to being the accountant to a fugitive financier who owed Johnson Mathey Bankers more than 70 million when it fell apart in 1984.
			Sunday Times	4/12/92	"The Big cover up" - Bank officials learned about the wrong doing about BCCI years ago but kept it quiet and allowed the bank to stay open in exchange for moving its HQ to Abu Dhabi.
			The Observer	4/10/92	"How BCCI hoodwinked the bank" - PW reacted defensively to the damning criticism of the US Congressional sub-committee investigating the \$20m collapse of fraud ridden BCCI. SFO has been called in to investigate claims that bank of England officials took bribes and Carey has received information that BCCI employed prostitutes in the UK.
			Independent	6/10/92	"letters entitled "Action to help the victims of the BCCI collapse" - 1 year and 3 months after the closure of BCCI former depositors creditors and members of staff of BCCI still have not received any money from what was the 6th largest private bank in the world.
			Financial Times	8/10/92	"BCCI debt proposal resisted by creditors" - creditors of BCCI fight to postpone approval of the once and for all compensation plan worked out by the banks liquidators and the Abu Dhabi shareholder.
			unknown	11/10/92	"Touch Ross tries the rough touch" - over 1,000 members of BCCI's 1,200 strong staff in the UK have finally received letters from the provisional liquidators declaring their services are no longer required. Redundancy payments will be adjusted against any outstanding loans that employees may have against the bank.
			Guardian	7/8/91	"Councils to go under the spotlight in treasury probe" - concerns the pending response of local authorities to the Treasury and Civil Service Committees enquiry into the BCCI affair. the committee is thought to be seeking information relating to authorities lending policies, their deposits with the bank their response to likely losses following the banks closure and the extent to which local authority treasurers were aware of BCCI's involvement in money laundering.
			Independent	8/8/91	"Pressure mounts on bank probe"- details mounting pressure on Bingham

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					<b>LJ to alter terms of his enquiry into the supervision of BCCI.</b>
			<b>Financial Times</b>	<b>8/8/91</b>	<b>"BCCI liquidation threat" - threat by regulators in Luxembourg to liquidate BCCI's European operations unless depositors outside the UK receive some compensation.</b>
			<b>Financial Times</b>	<b>8/8/91</b>	<b>"Bank seise Fed Chief over document row" - increasing tension between Britain and the US Congress over the confidential documents relating to BCCI fraud.</b>