Informer in Terrorism Trial Admits Threatening F.B.I.

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The Government's chief informer in the terrorism trial of Sheik Omar Abdel Rahman and 10 others admitted yesterday that he had threatened to falsely accuse the F.B.I. of knowing in advance that the World Trade Center would be bombed and of failing to stop it. But the informer, Emad Salem, denied a defense lawyer's contention that he had made the threat to blackmail the F.B.I. into paying him handsomely to work undercover in the effort to catch the bombers. Mr. Salem had worked as an informer for the F.B.I. earlier, but the agency had dropped him seven months before the Trade Center bombing.

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