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The Staten Island Ferry Report.

On October 16th, I've got a chance to personally interview the crew members who managed to wreck the Staten Island ferry. Most of the crew members blamed the pilot in what had happened.

So I tried to draw a picture of the person who might be responsible for the tragic event. The easiest way to do it was to ask the pilot's co-workers to describe him, so I went for the answers.

35 years old, an Asian female, the pilot works two jobs according to the questioning of the crew members. "A sick person who has personal problems based on a bad childhood" – describes her co-pilot, who took a day off on the day the tragic event occurred. The floor man says that the pilot suffered from ADD and notices that there might be a pilot's position now available.

"I've been set up! Somebody damaged the steering wheel! I could do noting!" – yells the pilot in an answer to my question of what has actually happened. My notice that there might be just a problem falling asleep at the control makes her more irritated and her reply answered all my next questions: "Hell no, I woke up right on time to find out that I could flee the damaged ferry!"