

# September 9, 2001: Two Days Before 9/11, Global Research Was Born...

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*On the 9th of September 2001, the Global Research website at [www.globalresearch.ca](http://www.globalresearch.ca) was born, two days before the tragic events of September 11.*

*We started up in late August with a handmade web design in FrontPage. A student in philosophy gave me a hand in drafting the home page and putting the project online.*

*On the morning of September 8, I took a two hour "crash course" on the use of file transfer FTP software from a young software specialist, who taught me how to upload articles to the website.*

THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE

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The landscape of the internet has shifted dramatically during the 18 years we have been in operation. Over the last five years, freedom of expression has become a key issue, with censorship becoming more prevalent and insidious. The situation for independent media has changed significantly, and not for the better. Despite this, in the face of large corporations attempting to censor our content and curtail our traffic and revenue, we are still here - largely thanks to you, our core readership.

Our goal is to keep this project going for another 18 years and beyond, however our finances have taken a significant hit over the past year or more. We have made it this far together, and for that I am truly grateful. With your help, GlobalResearch.ca can continue to be a resource for many years to come. Please see the information below regarding donations and membership subscriptions. Your support truly makes the difference.

Michel Chossudovsky  
Editor of globalresearch.ca,

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