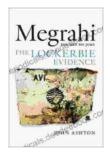
Megrahi: You Are My Jury - The Lockerbie Evidence

On December 21, 1988, Pan Am Flight 103 exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland, killing all 259 passengers and crew members. The bombing was one of the deadliest terrorist attacks in history, and it sparked a long and complex investigation.

In 2001, Abdelbaset al-Megrahi, a Libyan national, was convicted of the bombing and sentenced to life in prison. Megrahi maintained his innocence until his death in 2012, and his conviction remains controversial.

The evidence against Megrahi was largely circumstantial, and there have been numerous claims that he was wrongly convicted. In recent years, there has been a growing movement to reopen the Lockerbie investigation and exonerate Megrahi.



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In this article, we will examine the evidence against Megrahi and assess the arguments for and against his guilt. We will also consider the impact of the Lockerbie bombing on the lives of the victims and their families.

The evidence against Megrahi can be divided into three main categories:

- Forensic evidence: This evidence includes the fragments of the bomb that were found at the crash site, as well as the clothing and personal belongings of the victims. The forensic evidence suggests that the bomb was made from Semtex, a type of plastic explosive that was manufactured in Libya.
- Eyewitness testimony: Several witnesses testified that they saw Megrahi at the airport in Malta, where he allegedly checked the luggage that contained the bomb.
- Documentary evidence: This evidence includes documents that allegedly link Megrahi to the bombing. These documents include a receipt for the purchase of Semtex, as well as a fax that was sent from the Libyan embassy in Malta to Megrahi's office in Tripoli.

There are a number of arguments that have been made in support of Megrahi's guilt, including:

• The forensic evidence is strong: The forensic evidence suggests that the bomb was made from Semtex, a type of plastic explosive that was manufactured in Libya. This evidence is corroborated by the eyewitness testimony of several witnesses who saw Megrahi at the airport in Malta, where he allegedly checked the luggage that contained the bomb.

- Megrahi had a motive: Megrahi was a member of the Libyan intelligence service, and he had been involved in other terrorist attacks. He may have been motivated to bomb Pan Am Flight 103 in retaliation for the US bombing of Libya in 1986.
- Megrahi's alibi is weak: Megrahi claimed that he was in Tripoli on the night of the bombing, but this alibi has been contradicted by several witnesses.

There are also a number of arguments that have been made against Megrahi's guilt, including:

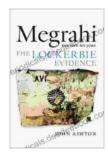
- The forensic evidence is not conclusive: The forensic evidence does not definitively prove that the bomb was made from Semtex. It is possible that the bomb was made from another type of plastic explosive that is not manufactured in Libya.
- The eyewitness testimony is unreliable: The eyewitness testimony
 against Megrahi is not reliable. Several of the witnesses have recanted
 their statements, and others have been discredited.
- The documentary evidence is forged: The documentary evidence against Megrahi has been forged. The receipt for the purchase of Semtex is a forgery, and the fax that was sent from the Libyan embassy in Malta to Megrahi's office in Tripoli is not authentic.

The Lockerbie bombing had a profound impact on the lives of the victims and their families. The bombing killed 259 people, including many children. The families of the victims have been left with a lifetime of grief and loss.

The bombing also had a significant impact on the relationship between the United States and Libya. The US government accused Libya of sponsoring the bombing, and it imposed sanctions on Libya in retaliation. The sanctions were not lifted until 2003.

The Lockerbie bombing was a tragedy that has had a lasting impact on the lives of the victims and their families. The evidence against Abdelbaset al-Megrahi is largely circumstantial, and there have been numerous claims that he was wrongly convicted. In recent years, there has been a growing movement to reopen the Lockerbie investigation and exonerate Megrahi.

Whether or not Megrahi was guilty of the Lockerbie bombing is a question that will likely never be definitively answered. However, the evidence suggests that he was involved in the bombing in some way. The bombing was a horrific act of terrorism that killed 259 innocent people. The families of the victims deserve to know who was responsible for the bombing, and they deserve to see justice done.

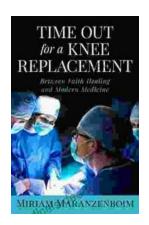


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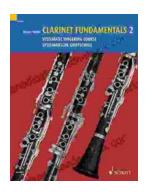
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