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**STATEMENT BY DARREN DOPP, GOVERNOR'S DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS,
REGARDING SENATOR BRUNO'S USE OF STATE AIRCRAFT**

Earlier this year, the administration amended state aviation policy to require those seeking use of state aircraft to complete a flight request form that describes the nature and purpose of their trip.

Based upon representations from Senator Bruno that he would be engaged in "legislative business meetings," we approved his use of a state helicopter for trips to New York City on several occasions.

Recent media reports, however, suggest that Senator Bruno may have used the state helicopter for campaign fund raising purposes. In response to these media accounts, we are forwarding documents regarding use of state aircraft to appropriate authorities for their review.

In addition, in response to Senator Bruno's claim that he is the subject of numerous death threats, we are directing the State Police to commence a formal threat assessment, which had not been done before. Pending completion of this threat assessment, any requests for state police coverage for Senator Bruno will be determined by the Superintendent of the State Police.

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