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STATEMENT BY DARREN DOPP, GOVERNOR'S DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, REGARDING THE NEW YORK POST ARTICLE ON STATE POLICE SECURITY COVERAGE OF MAJORITY LEADER BRUNO

A story suggesting that the State Police were asked to do anything other than follow standard operating procedure is grossly inaccurate and false.

There has never been any surveillance of Majority Leader Bruno by the State Police.

When they have been asked to drive the Majority Leader, the State Police work from schedules supplied by the Majority Leader's office. No special records are kept beyond a simple accounting of a state police vehicle's use.

A similar procedure is followed when the State Police are driving the Governor and others.

We are confident that proper procedures were followed at all times. However, since a concern has been raised, we are asking the State Inspector General to review the matter.

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