

Office of Safety & Security Highlights

3rd Quarterly Meeting of 2008

HIGHLIGHTS:

<i>Part I & Part II Crime Statistics for 3rd Quarter</i>		
	April – June 2008	April – June 2007
Part I	59	49
Part II	24	19

- ☐ There were 59* Part I and 24* Part II crimes for the period April through June of 2008. There were 49 Part I and 19 Part II crimes recorded in April through June for the 3rd quarter for 2007.
- ☐ On April 15, 2008, Safety and Security staff participated in an emergency drill with City of Miami Police and Fire Departments. Their drill was centered around the Bicentennial Metromover Station, with the simulation of a large concert at Bicentennial Park. An Improvised Explosive Device was discovered on the platform of the station by a Wackenhut Custom Protection Officer on routine patrol. The station was evacuated and the City continued on with their drill. Injects were incorporated into the scenario to test the capabilities of various emergency rescue divisions/departments.
- ☐ The MDT Office of Safety and Security participated in a "Public Awareness Campaign" on April 16, 2008, in concert with the Miami-Dade Police Department, Homeland Security Bureau, Police Operations Bureau, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, and Wackenhut Custom Protection Officers.
- ☐ Staff met with representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), Field Canine Coordinator for the South Florida area. A TSA official, accompanied by a K-9 team, took a tour of the 5th floor Central Control Centers for Miami-Dade Transit. TSA and MDT will meet on future projects and training for their new dogs on MDT vehicles.
- ☐ Staff met with representative from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to conduct a DHS required Critical Infrastructure Assessment on Miami-Dade Transit.
- ☐ MDT assisted law enforcement agencies with the Hemispheric Mayor's Conference held in Miami Dade County during June 18-27, 2008.
- ☐ In late June 2008, MDT commenced with Terrorism Awareness Training funded by US Department of Homeland Security Grant funds.
- ☐ The latest schedule update received from the contractor for the US 1 Busway, Segment II, reflects a delay to the overall project completion date which was July 19,

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2007. Currently, MDT is submitting to the Board of County Commissioners, Change Order #1 to extend the contract time by 178 calendar days. The substantial completion date for the mainline Segment II was November 30th, 2007. Change Order #1 includes a time extension request for additional scope of work needed for the installation of the signalization at various intersections for Segment I and Segment II, hurricane related delays, additional bus shelters and BellSouth service point issues. MDT is currently negotiating a Final Change Order due to the installation of additional signals in Segment I and additional bus shelters at 328th Street.

- ☐ Safety staff is continuing safety oversight of MDT construction projects (Busway Extension, Overtown Joint Development and several adjacent construction projects in downtown Miami).
- ☐ There were two FDOT reportable accidents/incidents at MDT Metrorail/Metromover/Metrobus from April through June 2008.

1. On April 24, 2008, at approximately 0730 hrs, Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) Train Operator Elmo Jeffrey (#408), operating northbound Metrorail consist #185-226-235, departing from the Dadeland South Metrorail Station at 0723 hrs, reported to the Central Control Facility that an individual jumped in front of his train as he was approaching the Douglas Road Metrorail Station platform. Miami Fire Rescue personnel successfully extricated the victim from the MDT Metrorail guideway and transported him to Jackson Memorial Hospital's Ryder Trauma Center, where he was admitted with multiple injuries, including a left, frontal hematoma.

Unfortunately, the victim, Mr. Rezk-Molina's, condition continued to deteriorate in the medical care facility until, on May 16, 2008, he was pronounced deceased.

The MDT Office of Safety and Security has completed its accident investigation and found that the incident was caused by the actions of the victim.

2. On May 8, 2008 at approximately 12:10 PM, a male, Sharvis Cain (DOB 09/24/1978), who resided at 11852 SW 213th Street #2, Miami, Florida, jumped from the southwest end of the roof level (11th Floor) of the Dadeland-North Metrorail Parking Garage and fell to the ground. The responding Miami-Dade Fire Rescue personnel pronounced the victim deceased at the scene of the incident.

Personnel from the Office of Safety and Security responded to the scene of accident, observed the accident scene and conferred with MDPD Homicide investigators; and as a result, have preliminarily determined that the cause of the accident is suicide. Currently, no corrective actions have been issued by MDT.

- ☐ There was 1 fatal accident/incident at MDT Metrobus from April through June 2008.

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1. On May 26, 2008, at approximately 3:30 pm, at SW 216th Street & 110th Avenue, a passenger vehicle, reported to be traveling at a high rate of speed, collided with the rear area of MDT Bus #4163. The driver of the passenger vehicle was pronounced dead at the scene and 3 passengers of the same vehicle were transported in critical condition.

Personnel from the Office of Safety and Security responded to the scene of accident, observed the accident scene and conferred with MDPD Homicide investigators; and as a result, have preliminarily determined that the actions of the driver (passenger vehicle) caused of the accident.