Peter Pope/NYEC
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To Christine Anderson/NYEC@NYEC
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Subject Re: DRAFT STATEMENT FROM ALBANY COUNTY DA re: today's report

Would they add re govs office, "but the report shows no evidence of a crime."
Christine Anderson
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From: Christine Anderson
Sent: 07/23/2007 02:58 PM EDT
To: Richard Baum; David Nocenti; Lloyd Constantine; Peter Pope; Sean Maloney
Cc: Paul Larrabee; Jeffrey Gordon
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Everyone ok with this? I want to get back to them ASAP

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"Arthur, Richard"
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To <christine.anderson@chamber.state.ny.us>
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DA Soares, asked me to run this by you prior to our releasing it. Since we're getting pounded by the press, we would like to get this out soon.
Thanks

Richard Arthur
Press person for the day while Heather is at a conference.

DRAFT FOR REVIEW

Proposed Statement by Albany County District Attorney P. David Soares

The Office of the Albany County District Attorney has concluded its investigation, conducted contemporaneously with that of the Office of the Attorney General, of an allegation that Senator Joseph L. Bruno violated NYS Criminal Law in his use of aircraft owned by the State of New York. We concur with the statement in the Attorney General's report that "Except in extreme instances, it would be difficult to attempt to impose criminal responsibility under the Penal Law based on the mixed use of state aircraft given the vagueness of the relevant policy and the lack of any definition of what constitutes, 'official business.'"

Consequently, we have found no basis for criminal prosecution. We concur wi the conclusion of the Attorney General's report that existing state law is "porous" and needs to be clarified to protect the interests of the people.

We were not asked to, nor did we participate in, any investigation of the

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conduct of members of the Governor's Office.

Richard Arthur
Director of Administration
Office of the District Attorney
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