



STATE OF NEW YORK  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
ALBANY 12224

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STATEMENT OF DARREN DOPP

I understand that the Attorney General's Office and the State Inspector General's Office are conducting inquiries into two sets of allegations: (1) that Senator Bruno used State aircraft and vehicles for political purposes, and (2) that the Governor's Office had targeted Senator Bruno for State Police surveillance.

I received requests for information relating to the use of state aircraft by public officials from members of the media. In response to these requests, I sought information that the public had a right to know. Although I never directed the State Police to conduct a "surveillance" program on Senator Bruno, I did receive from William Howard information relating to Senator Bruno's travels generated by the State Police. I now recognize that any requests for State Police records relating to those travels should have been handled through other channels, and I regret any appearance of impropriety that was created by the manner in which this information was sought and obtained.

  
Darren Dopp

Sworn to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup>  
day of July, 2007

  
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