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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD**  
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The CCRB received 453 complaints in March 2014. This was 123 fewer complaints than in the same period of 2013, when the CCRB received 576 complaints.

During the first 3 months of 2014, the CCRB received 1,333 complaints. This was 301 more complaints than in the same period of 2013, when the CCRB received 1,032 complaints.

The Executive Committee of the Board asked me to address the current increase in complaint activity and its relation to the CCRB complaint activity before and after Hurricane Sandy. To address that question, we have prepared a series of charts that are part of your monthly packet.

In March the board closed 515 cases and for the year-to-date it closed 1,043. In March, the board closed 221 full investigations, 14 cases were mediated and 280 cases had other dispositions.

In the first three months of 2014, the board closed 416 full investigations, including 63 substantiated complaints, and mediated 30 cases. Year-to-date, the substantiation rate is 15% of fully investigated cases.

The monthly statistical report includes two forms of reporting the disposition of CCRB cases: a report with the truncation rate and a report with the case resolution rate. From January to March, the updated truncation rate, which excludes cases closed as complaint withdrawn, was 55%. In the same period of 2013, this rate was 62%. From January to March 2014, the case resolution rate was 42%. In the same period of 2013, this rate was 27%.

The agency's docket at the end of March 31, 2014 stood at 2,690 cases, which is a 4% increase over the open docket in February when it stood at 2,724.

By date of report, 95% of our open investigations stem from complaints filed within the last year, and 63% were filed in the last four months. Of the open cases, 449 were awaiting panel review, or 17% of the docket; 1,966 were being investigated, or 73% of the docket; and 275 cases were in the mediation program, or 10% of the docket.

I do want to correct a number. We found a computer error pertaining to the originally reported February docket. The docket for February was 2,724 rather than the incorrectly reported number of 2,599. This error has been addressed and we have corrected the February docket to reflect the actual values. There was no effect other than in February.

By date of incident, 21 cases in the CCRB's open docket were 18 months and older. This was .5% of the open docket. Of these 21 cases, there were 7 cases in the docket of the Investigations Division. The SOL crime exemption applied to 6 of them. The breakdown of these 7 cases is as follows: 4 cases were or are on DA hold, 1 case was re-opened at the request of the complainant and 2 cases were filed months after the date of incident. There were also 14 cases pending panel review. The SOL crime exemption applied to 5 of these cases. The breakdown of these 14 cases is as follows: 4 cases were in the mediation program and are now closed, 3 cases were late because the board returned the case for further work, 3 cases were late because of investigator's delays, 1 case was late because it was a complex case with a crime exception and 3 cases were filed months after the date of incident.

In February 2014 the NYPD closed 7 substantiated cases involving 7 officers. All 7 officers received instructions. The disciplinary action rate was 100% for this month, and 79% year-to-date. Year-to-date, the department declined to prosecute rate is 21%.

In March 2014 the board recommended charges in 22 cases which were added to the APU docket. At the end of March, the open docket of the APU was 175 cases. In 3 cases, the Police Commissioner modified guilty pleas which are now awaiting formal closure. In 7 other cases, guilty pleas have been entered and are awaiting approval by the police commissioner. In 2 cases the trial verdict was rendered and awaits approval by the police commissioner. In 10 cases the trials were completed and are awaiting verdict, 4 trials were commenced but not completed and 36 trials were scheduled. 18 cases are calendared for a court appearance and 67 cases are awaiting their initial court appearance after the service of charges. Charges were filed in 7 cases and 21 cases are awaiting the filing of charges.