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**STATEMENT FROM DOI COMMISSIONER ROSE GILL HEARN**  
**-- Development in the investigation of events in a Bronx Firehouse --**

Certain participants gave testimony yesterday that was unacceptable and patently false. As a result, we made recommendations to the Fire Dept for immediate suspension and to begin termination proceedings, which the Fire Dept. did.

Those firefighters and their lawyers were told that DOI was prepared to take steps necessary to make a criminal perjury referral, which we began to do today.

In light of that fact and, fortunately, those firefighters have contacted us through their attorneys and indicated they are coming back to recant false testimony.

*Get the worms out of the Big Apple.*  
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