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**DOI STATEMENT REGARDING TODAY'S DECISIONS REGARDING THE EARLY RELEASE
OF GUY VELELLA AND FOUR OTHER DEFENDANTS**

DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn stated, "DOI's investigation with the New York County District Attorney into any potential criminal wrongdoing regarding the early release of Guy Velella, Hector Del Toro and Manuel Gonzalez is active and ongoing. As you know, DOI issued a report on November 4, 2004 that examined the procedures followed by the former Local Conditional Release Commission in the early release of those three men. As the report specifically stated, this remains a continuing, active investigation and a joint investigation with the New York County District Attorney's Office is also underway. The report was issued solely by DOI and the information contained in that report was limited in scope due to the continuing joint criminal probe."

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