

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD  
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:                 :  
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2461, Corporation,                 :  
t/a Madam's Organ                :  
2461 18th Street NW            : Fact Finding  
Retailer CT - ANC 1C            : Hearing  
License No. 25273                :  
Case #19-251-00070              :  
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(Assault Inside of                :  
Establishment)                    :

Wednesday  
June 12, 2019

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board  
met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing  
Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W.,  
Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson  
Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson  
BOBBY CATO, JR., Member  
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member  
MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member  
REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**GEORGE GARCIA**

**FELICIA DANTZLER**

**SGT. CHRISTIAN TOBE**

**BILL DUGGAN**

**GREGORY SLATE**

**JANAKAN THIAGARAJAH**

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 10:13 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: We're back on  
4 the record. Our next case we have a fact finding  
5 hearing, Case No. 19-251-0070, Madam's Organ,  
6 License No. 25273. Would all persons having an  
7 interest n Madam's Organ please appear. We'll  
8 start with the investigator.

9 MS. DANTZLER: Good morning. My name  
10 is Felicia Dantzler, ABRA investigator.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
12 Ms. Dantzler.

13 SERGEANT TOBE: Sergeant Tobe,  
14 Metropolitan Police Department, 3rd District.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
16 Sergeant.

17 SERGEANT TOBE: Good morning.

18 MR. GARCIA: ABRA investigator George  
19 Garcia.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
21 Mr. Garcia.

22 MR. THIAGARAJAH: Janakan Thiagarajah,

1 attorney for Madam's Organ.

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Your last name,  
3 sir?

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5 MR. THIAGARAJAH: T-H-I-A-G-A-R-A-J-A-  
6 H.

7 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: How do you  
8 pronounce your last name?

9 MR. THIAGARAJAH: Thiagarajah.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thiagarajah.  
11 Okay. I'm going to refer to you so I need to  
12 figure it out. I apologize. Thiagarajah. Good  
13 morning, sir.

14 MR. SLATE: Gregory Slate, non-  
15 attorney agent for 2461 Corporation.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Slater?

17 MR. SLATE: Slate, S-L-A-T-E.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
19 Mr. Slate.

20 MR. DUGGAN: Phil Duggan, President  
21 2461.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,

1 Mr. Duggan.

2 All right. This matter is a fact  
3 finding hearing based on an incident that  
4 occurred at Madam's Organ. It appears that there  
5 was some altercation inside of the establishment.  
6 When our investigator went to investigate the  
7 incident, the cameras were not working.

8 Based on the nature of the incident --  
9 I'm trying to see if this is a case that the  
10 police chief had also asked us to -- I think the  
11 police chief had asked us to have a fact finding  
12 hearing. That's where we are today.

13 The police chief had also asked us to  
14 have a -- Chief Peter Newsham on March 24th had  
15 asked the ABC Board to have a fact finding  
16 hearing because they thought that it was serious  
17 enough for us to have the hearing this morning.

18 What I'll do is I'll start with the  
19 investigator to basically let us know from their  
20 investigation what was found. We'll also have  
21 some comments from Sergeant Tobe and then, sir,  
22 you can respond based on what was stated.

1                   Go ahead, Ms. Dantzler.

2                   MS. DANTZLER:   On March 24th of 2019  
3                   this matter was brought to ABRA's attention by  
4                   the Metropolitan Police Department, CCN 19049356.  
5                   At Madam's Organ located at 2461 18th Street  
6                   Northwest MPD reported that two patrons were  
7                   assaulted inside of Madam's Organ.

8                   I was assigned this case by  
9                   supervisory investigator Mark Brashears.   At  
10                  approximately 2:22 a.m. on the date stated George  
11                  Garcia, Mark Ruiz, who are also ABRA  
12                  investigators, accompanied me to Madam's Organ.

13                  Once there on the scene we made our  
14                  identification known to Ronald Perry Dyson who  
15                  identified himself as the ABC manager.   Mr. Dyson  
16                  stated that he was working on the night of the  
17                  incident.   However, he did not witness the  
18                  incident.

19                  Mr. Dyson instructed me to speak with  
20                  Mike Wolf, one of the security guards.   On that  
21                  very same night I spoke with Mr. Wolf who stated  
22                  that he was on the second floor of the

1 establishment overlooking the floor below when he  
2 observed a drink hit the wall.

3 Mr. Wolf stated that he responded to  
4 the area and saw Larry Taylor, another employee,  
5 separate two patrons. Mr. Wolf stated that he  
6 instructed one of the males to go towards the  
7 back of the establishment and the other male to  
8 go towards the front of the establishment at  
9 which time both patrons complied.

10 Mr. Dyson stated approximately five  
11 minutes later as he was making rounds on the  
12 third floor stairwell he encountered the patron  
13 who he directed to go up towards the front of the  
14 floor dazed and bleeding. Mr. Wolf stated that  
15 he handed over the male patron to Darren Gray,  
16 the security person working at the front door.

17 Also on that night I spoke with Mr.  
18 Gray stated that he confirmed that Mr. Wolf  
19 brought to his attention a patron who was  
20 injured. Mr. Gray said to the extent of his  
21 involvement, he took the injured patron to one of  
22 the police officers who was standing at a nearby

1 corner.

2 Also on that night I spoke with Mr.  
3 Taylor, Larry Taylor, who stated that he saw a  
4 female patron pushing a male patron. Mr. Taylor  
5 stated that he instructed the female patron to go  
6 to the back of the room, or the back of the area  
7 of the establishment. Mr. Taylor stated that his  
8 second sighting of that very same female was when  
9 he saw the female walking out of the  
10 establishment with the injured male.

11 On Sunday, March 24th, Chief of Police  
12 Mr. Newsham contacted ABRA stating that he would  
13 like to have a fact finding hearing base off the  
14 fact that there have been six incidents that have  
15 occurred, six incidents involving MPD that have  
16 occurred since January 1, 2019. That concludes  
17 my statement.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Did you  
19 conclude were there any ABRA violations?

20 MS. DANTZLER: I did check the records  
21 and saw that the establishment does have a  
22 security plan and I'm looking at the security



1 plan. There were no violations as it relates to  
2 the security plan. The establishment does have  
3 cameras. I believe it was six cameras. However,  
4 the area where the camera was located was not  
5 operable.

6 MEMBER SHORT: The area or the camera?

7 MS. DANTZLER: The camera was not  
8 operable where the incident occurred.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: So what does  
10 their security plan state about their cameras and  
11 its operation?

12 MS. DANTZLER: It just states that not  
13 all of their cameras will be working. That's the  
14 extent of the language for the cameras.

15 MEMBER SHORT: Not all the cameras  
16 will be working?

17 MS. DANTZLER: Yes.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: So why have  
19 cameras if your security plan said not all of the  
20 cameras will be working?

21 Sergeant Tobe, do you have anything  
22 you can add, sir?

1           SERGEANT TOBE: Just the fact that  
2 this situation was brought to our attention by  
3 the security of Madam's Organ who alerted us to  
4 the individual that was injured. Also they told  
5 us who to stop so they identified the suspects,  
6 helped us in identifying the suspects.

7           Immediately we got the suspects  
8 stopped. Then subsequently did an investigation  
9 that resulted in two arrests for the assault that  
10 occurred inside. They were very cooperative and  
11 helpful to us on the scene.

12           CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
13 Thank you for that representation.

14           All right. Yes, Mr. Silverstein.

15           MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: I would ask both  
16 Inspector Dantzler -- Investigator Dantzler and  
17 Sergeant Tobe, beyond any ABRA violations was  
18 there anything that they did that fell short of  
19 the standard that we should set regarding  
20 response to an incident like this? Is there  
21 anything they did wrong? Anything they could  
22 have done better?

1                   SERGEANT TOBE: Not as far as I can  
2 tell. Like I said, they immediately -- we had  
3 officers standing pretty much essentially in  
4 front of their establishment. They alerted us to  
5 the injured person and told us who to stop in  
6 reference to it. I mean, I think they went above  
7 and beyond as far as what they were required to  
8 do.

9                   MS. DANTZLER: I believe as it relates  
10 to the incident where there was some sort of a  
11 struggle with the two patrons, I believe that  
12 just with my experience dealing with these types  
13 of situations generally one set, or one person or  
14 group, is ejected from the establishment.

15                   The fact that a glass was thrown is  
16 not something that's in the ordinary customer  
17 service type of approach. I found that  
18 problematic that it reached to that level. Once  
19 the staff intervened both parties were allowed to  
20 stay inside.

21                   Investigator Garcia and I, while we  
22 were there, we went to the area where the

1 incident occurred. You can see like droplets of  
2 blood in the area. There is a camera that was at  
3 the bottom of the stairway. I want to say also  
4 at the top of the stairway where the incident  
5 occurred.

6 That's where the victim was  
7 encountered by one of the staff. That area where  
8 the cameras were were not operable. It would  
9 have been helpful had the cameras been operable  
10 to aid MPD as far as helping with their  
11 investigation as well as our help to see how the  
12 establishment reacted at that point.

13 I do believe had the establishment  
14 perhaps ejected one of the parties, perhaps this  
15 incident may not have gotten to the level that it  
16 did.

17 My investigation revealed through MPD  
18 that the female who was accosted by one of the  
19 men in that group, who was either touched  
20 inappropriately or spoken to in an inappropriate  
21 manner, and that was the birth of the --

22 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: That was the

1 genesis of it.

2 MS. DANTZLER: Yes. Of how this came  
3 about. It seems like an opportune time but that  
4 situation was not explored by the establishment.  
5 Perhaps if they would have addressed that and  
6 maybe ejected the folks at that time, that would  
7 have probably helped in the matter of the  
8 gentleman being struck with the glass.

9 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: Thank you,  
10 Investigator.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr.  
12 Thiagarajah, how does your -- does the client  
13 have any response to the report?

14 MR. THIAGARAJAH: Yes. I'll clarify  
15 that the six security that were on duty that  
16 night at Madam's Organ two of them worked quickly  
17 to diffuse the situation when there was the  
18 altercation.

19 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: Can you move the  
20 microphone closer to you?

21 MR. THIAGARAJAH: Sorry.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: It just

1 amplifies your voice. That's all it does. It  
2 does amplifies.

3 MR. THIAGARAJAH: So, as I was saying,  
4 of the six there were two who worked quickly to  
5 diffuse the initial altercation. By the evidence  
6 that they had there was -- they didn't think  
7 there would be an escalation.

8 The couple said they were fine and the  
9 other three said they didn't want any trouble.  
10 They separated them. It was closing time.  
11 Everyone would be ushered out as the rest of the  
12 patrons would also be ushered out. The  
13 unfortunate event that occurred after, which  
14 happened very quickly, was dealt with  
15 immediately.

16 The two assailants were escorted out  
17 right to the police. By all indications there  
18 was reasonable judgment exercised. They had the  
19 six security in place. There were 16 cameras and  
20 six security officers and an appropriate security  
21 plan that worked.

22 Now, the camera -- I'll let Mr. Duggan

1 explain it, but there was just a malfunction.  
2 There was a one-off malfunction. Just to  
3 reiterate what we heard previously, there were no  
4 indications of any violations in the reports.  
5 The prior incidents I don't believe is really  
6 relevant.

7 I mean, no violations were found in  
8 any of those. Those don't really relate to the  
9 situation here and it's hard to see the relevance  
10 of bringing those in at this hearing on the  
11 incident that took place on March 24th.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: You trailed off  
13 at the end.

14 MR. THIAGARAJAH: I was staying I  
15 don't see the relevance of the incidents, the  
16 prior incidents that were cited, because they  
17 don't have overlapping facts or overlapping  
18 individuals. There were no violations found out  
19 of those as it is.

20 I'll let Mr. Duggan give more of a  
21 description of the events that night.

22 MR. DUGGAN: Yes, I happened to be

1 there that night. I was not on the second floor.  
2 I was right at the front door. I do think  
3 there's a misunderstanding of what happened  
4 because the individual, Mike Wolf, was on the  
5 third floor, not the second floor. He was called  
6 down.

7 The incident with the glass that was  
8 the same incident. The glass was the incident  
9 that we're responding to. That's when the fellow  
10 got hurt. Again, I'm only going from what I got.  
11 They brought them down the stairs and literally,  
12 you know, I told the chief that we didn't call  
13 911 because literally there were two officers  
14 there and these guys literally ran.

15 I mean, we could tell they were trying  
16 to get away from something because they were in a  
17 hurry coming down the stairs. My security guy  
18 was behind them. We call him Big Larry. He was  
19 right behind them bringing them down and they  
20 literally ran into the arms of MPD. We held them  
21 until we could find out what had happened.

22 Again, originally what we thought we



1 didn't hear about the glass incident until the  
2 security guy came down. He identified them right  
3 away. We dealt with the police right there. We  
4 got the other fellow down right behind them.

5           The fellow was bleeding from the head  
6 and we got him attention right away. We already  
7 had somebody there with first aid stuff. It  
8 looked ugly. It was a gash on his head from the  
9 glass and it was bleeding a lot. Luckily it  
10 looked a lot worse than it was.

11           In speaking to them, again, my  
12 understanding of the incident is relatively  
13 different because my understanding from my  
14 security people there that night, and even from  
15 MPD when we were speaking with them, was that the  
16 female was actually the instigator, not from  
17 somebody touching but one of the people  
18 apparently stepped on her foot as they were  
19 moving through the room and she got up in their  
20 face.

21           That's the incident where they  
22 separated them. She was yelling and the guys.

1 My people thought they had it under control. We  
2 were coming up on closing. I don't think it's a  
3 surprise to anyone that there are arguments in a  
4 bar or restaurant at any given point. I think  
5 we've even had a few arguments in this room but  
6 nobody has carried me out yet.

7 You know, we deal with things and  
8 we're usually in the business of diffusing  
9 situations. I think had they at closing started  
10 trying to take three individuals out or whatever,  
11 I think it could have caused more of a scene  
12 right then. Unfortunately, this happened  
13 afterwards.

14 I don't think it was anything that any  
15 of us foresaw, or could have foreseen happening.  
16 I have it all the time where we see people and  
17 can we separate here and is everybody okay.  
18 Sometimes they say yes, and sometimes it's an  
19 apology. Sometimes it's someone glaring at the  
20 other one. We have very little trouble.

21 In fact, these other incidents that  
22 the chief noticed there, I happened to have been

1 there for both the sexual assault thing.  
2 Unfortunately, Adams Morgan is extremely  
3 ethnically diverse and I think it was a cultural  
4 thing.

5 We had an individual, an older African  
6 gentleman, who grabbed a woman's butt. She  
7 complained and we brought him out. We had the  
8 police talk to him and they arrested him and she  
9 said she wanted to file charges for sexual  
10 assault. That's the sexual assault there.

11 The other one, the trespass, again was  
12 an individual that we asked to leave. Again, it  
13 was an older man and he just wouldn't leave. We  
14 didn't call 911 because we had the officers right  
15 there. They came over. In fact, I left because  
16 I thought it was all under control.

17 I was at happy hour eating with some  
18 friends across the street. Apparently the guy  
19 wouldn't leave and they arrested him for  
20 trespassing. It wasn't a major incident.

21 I believe it happened about 7:30, 8:00  
22 at night. I think in all these years of

1 operating, I think we run a pretty clean shop and  
2 I'm very proud of my security people that, again,  
3 they are able to diffuse most incidents.

4 I think we have a better than normal  
5 relationship with the officers that are out there  
6 because their parking space is literally right  
7 across the street from Madam's Organ. That's the  
8 designated parking for their group. There is no  
9 way we took away, as the chief said, from 3D.

10 We have a designated group of -- the  
11 sergeant can answer that better but I think 13  
12 officers literally right across the street on any  
13 given Wednesday through Saturday. They are there  
14 for the Adams Morgan club strip. They are not  
15 deployed throughout 3D unless there's a bigger  
16 problem in 3D.

17 We have, in fact, the individual  
18 Darren Gray, who was the doorman who they quoted,  
19 was given the civilian commendation last year for  
20 helping to save those two officers' lives that  
21 were run over in the street by the truck two  
22 years ago. We have a very good relationship, I

1 hope, with them and with the ABC investigators.  
2 We are extremely accommodating with any of them.

3 The thing with the security plan, we  
4 have 16 cameras and I usually call Night Owl  
5 Security for those. Unfortunately, with 16  
6 cameras at any given point one or two could be  
7 down. I mean, I've had the same security system  
8 at my beach house.

9 I spent an hour-and-a-half on the  
10 phone with Night Owl yesterday just to get them  
11 back up and running. Anytime you're dealing with  
12 software that's running through the internet,  
13 things can happen. I have no idea why that  
14 particular one but 15 or 16 cameras were  
15 operational and we handed over that DVD to the  
16 police.

17 In fact, we got it to them before they  
18 asked for it because within a day we got a  
19 subpoena from a defense attorney asking for that.  
20 We burned two and got it to the detective  
21 immediately as well. We wanted him to see  
22 whatever was there before the other counsel got

1 it.

2 Overall, I think, again the sergeant  
3 can attest to it, I think we have a great  
4 relationship, a working relationship, with the  
5 police on that beat. As I said, it's an  
6 unfortunate incident but I don't think anybody  
7 acted out of line whatsoever.

8 As I said, I think there was a  
9 misunderstanding when they interviewed Mr. Wolf  
10 because there was not a physical altercation  
11 prior to that first one. If somebody had thrown  
12 a glass in my bar, believe me nobody is going to  
13 be standing inside our bar to throw another one.

14 They will escort them out. That part  
15 I believe was just a miscommunication as to  
16 exactly what happened. Mr. Wolf came down when  
17 he was called by the other fellow. They all have  
18 radios and he was called down to assist them when  
19 that incident happened.

20 Mr. Wolf attended to the injured  
21 individual and the other security guy, Larry,  
22 brought the other three down to us and that's the

1 way the incident ended that night.

2 I'm relatively surprised because in  
3 the larger scheme of things it's unfortunate and  
4 a bad incident but it certainly was not an over-  
5 the-top incident that the chief of police would  
6 write a letter to the ABC Board within -- they  
7 finished their investigation 4:15, I think. The  
8 chief of police was writing a letter within  
9 relatively a few hours, the same morning.

10 I think he also had a misunderstanding  
11 of what the deployment is of his own officers  
12 because we definitely are not pulling officers  
13 off of their beats in 3D. They are there for  
14 that. We use them and we communicate with them  
15 literally all night long on any given night.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Duggan, as  
17 you stated, the chief of police wrote us a  
18 letter. He believed his officers. I assume it  
19 was someone within 3D informed him and he  
20 informed us that we need to -- that he thought  
21 that the incident was serious enough, and based  
22 on the prior incident at the establishment, that

1 we should do an investigation. But that's  
2 neither here nor there.

3 One thing I was concerned about is the  
4 operation of the cameras. It's unfortunate that  
5 we have an incident that occurred and it so  
6 happened that the camera that would catch the  
7 incident is not working. It's unfortunate  
8 because you have 16 cameras and 15 was working  
9 that night but the one camera that would protect  
10 you for any other event, that one was not  
11 working.

12 MR. DUGGAN: I feel the same way. As  
13 I said 15 to 16, and that one was repaired within  
14 a day. I will add that there's no way we can  
15 alter that. Any footage that we have is fixed in  
16 those cameras and it's in the DVR. What we  
17 turned over there's no way for us to alter it, no  
18 way for us to delete one camera or anything of  
19 that sort.

20 There's nothing sinister going on.  
21 Again, in a four-floor establishment 16 cameras.  
22 I'm sorry but at any given point that's why we



1 put that in there, that we can't guarantee  
2 everything is working.

3           Honestly, we're not required to have  
4 cameras. We put the 16 cameras in there with the  
5 DVR recording it so that we can be responsible.  
6 That's not a requirement by ABC or by any agency  
7 of the government.

8           CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm aware of  
9 that, sir. I'm aware of that. That's one reason  
10 I'm going to bring -- I know you are a CT  
11 establishment so, therefore, you're not required  
12 to have a security plan. However, you do have a  
13 security plan that was done in 2009. That's a  
14 very old security plan.

15           MR. DUGGAN: Actually, we have a new  
16 one. There is a newer one.

17           CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Hold on.

18           MR. DUGGAN: We changed it on March  
19 20th of this year.

20           CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, the ABC  
21 Board does not have your security plan. We sent  
22 you a letter in February on February 19th, and

1 also one was sent to your previous counsel just  
2 to let you know that the security plan that you  
3 had was not covered. Since you have a security  
4 plan, would you agree within the next 30 days to  
5 provide ABRA with a legally sufficient security  
6 plan?

7 MR. DUGGAN: Absolutely. She said it  
8 was submitted to ABRA. We have the receipt from  
9 March 20th it was submitted to ABRA. We'll  
10 submit it again. No problem.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: So I would ask  
12 that you submit it again and that we will review  
13 it to see if it's legally compliant. I was told  
14 as of this morning that we didn't have the --  
15 that the security plan that we have was from  
16 2009.

17 MR. DUGGAN: Ms. Boyez is my general  
18 manager. She submitted it then but we'll submit  
19 another one today.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
21 Thank you.

22 Ms. Dantzler, do you have anything you

1 want to --

2 MS. DANTZLER: Mr. Anderson, my  
3 investigation showed that it wasn't a question of  
4 whether or not what the establishment did once  
5 they came across the injured patron. They did  
6 what they did immediately and brought it to the  
7 attention of MPD. But there's definitely a  
8 difference in material facts of actually what  
9 happened.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay.

11 MS. DANTZLER: This female reported to  
12 MPD that she was struck in the face. The  
13 incident that happened on the floor was, as I  
14 understand it through MPD's report, is that the  
15 throwing of the glass was in conjunction with all  
16 of that.

17 I understand Mr. Duggan's position as  
18 he stated that, you know, if someone throws a  
19 glass, they will react immediately. Mr. Wolf was  
20 very clear in his recollection of what happened  
21 on that night.

22 From just separating the members and

1 to rely on the fact that the establishment is  
2 closing and that's the reason why no one was  
3 ejected, I think that falls short of really  
4 protecting the patrons who are there. Someone  
5 should have been ejected. Police should have  
6 been notified to help aid in this.

7 I don't think it was a coincidence  
8 that five minutes later Mr. Wolf is doing rounds  
9 and comes across this injured person who he  
10 separated earlier, five minutes earlier. I think  
11 there definitely needs to be a clear way of  
12 protecting the patrons when the establishment is  
13 encountering that type of behavior.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, I'm  
15 hoping that with the security -- with this  
16 updated security plan, that will be provided to  
17 the agency, I'm hoping that will have some clear  
18 guidelines what the proper procedures are once an  
19 incidence occurs within the establishment.

20 Mr. Thiagarajah. See, I wrote it  
21 down. That's why I'm looking whenever you see me  
22 think about calling the names. You don't have

1 to. I thought you had something you wanted to  
2 say.

3 MR. THIAGARAJAH: No. As I said,  
4 obviously in the future we'll continue to do  
5 everything we can. We'll get you that updated  
6 security plan today. Should we mail it?

7 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Randall,  
8 our assistant general counsel, will provide you  
9 her card and you can provide the security plan to  
10 the agency through her.

11 Mr. Dantzler, do you have any final  
12 comments you would like to make?

13 MS. DANTZLER: No, sir.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Sergeant Tobe?

15 SERGEANT TOBE: No, sir.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.

17 Yes, Mr. Silverstein.

18 MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: First, before we  
19 do anything, I want to thank Investigator  
20 Dantzler for the thoroughness and for the work  
21 that she's done on this case. It's important. I  
22 would address Mr. Duggan and remind him of

1 basically what we're doing here, what are charge  
2 is.

3 We're overseeing the second biggest  
4 industry in the city and the second biggest  
5 employer after government. Our job more than  
6 anything is a preventive job to make sure that if  
7 something bad happens, or is going to, that we  
8 are all prepared, that people understand what we  
9 have to do to protect ourselves and to protect  
10 one another.

11 We need to be certain that everyone is  
12 prepared, that cameras are on, that there are  
13 security plans where they are needed, that people  
14 understand what is to be done.

15 The issue here was one of preparation  
16 and one of proper response. We are a target to  
17 all kinds of things. We saw that this past  
18 Saturday in Dupont Circle. We never know what's  
19 going to happen.

20 The most important work that we can do  
21 here, and we've done it many times on things that  
22 people know nothing about, is to make sure that

1 those things that are falling short are -- first,  
2 that we oversee.

3 Oversight is the most important thing  
4 we do to make sure that you are doing what you  
5 need to do in advance, that you are prepared,  
6 that we are all prepared because we don't know  
7 what's going to happen.

8 That's why the chief with six violent  
9 incidents, or six calls rather -- excuse me, six  
10 calls in a number of months said to take a look  
11 and be sure that everything is okay. This is not  
12 to pick on you or anyone in particular.

13 It's just when you see a flag like  
14 that, oversight is important. I thank you for  
15 your cooperation. I thank you for making sure  
16 that the cameras are in working order and  
17 understanding that we are all in this together  
18 and that we never know what's going to happen  
19 tomorrow so we have to be prepared today.

20 MR. DUGGAN: I agree 100 percent.

21 Thank you.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, Mr.

1 Silverstein.

2 Sergeant Tobe, any final comments you  
3 want to make?

4 SERGEANT TOBE: No, thank you.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.

6 Mr. Thiagarajah, you have the final  
7 word if you need to say anything else.

8 MR. THIAGARAJAH: I have nothing else.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
10 We're joined by Mr. Short.

11 Good morning, Mr. Short.

12 The agreement that we have today is  
13 that, Mr. Duggan, you have agreed to provide the  
14 agency with an updated security plan within the  
15 next 30 days and that's the agreement that we  
16 have today. Thank you.

17 I make a motion that we take no  
18 further action on this matter. Is there a  
19 second?

20 MEMBER CATO: Second.

21 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Cato  
22 seconded the motion. All those in favor say aye.



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(Chorus of ayes.)

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Those opposed?

The matter passes 5-0-0. Thank you for being here today. I thank all the parties for being here today and have a great day.

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