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William A. Morange Named Director Of MTA Security

Metropolitan Transportation Authority Chairman Peter S. Kalikow today announced the appointment of William A. Morange as MTA Director of Security.

Chief Morange, a 39-year veteran of the New York City Police Department, began his law enforcement career as a police officer in 1964 and has since been promoted through every uniformed rank to Chief. Currently, Chief Morange is the NYPD's Bureau Chief for Organized Crime Control where he works in close conjunction with Federal law enforcement agencies. Prior to that position, Chief Morange was Chief of Patrol of the NYPD responsible for all uniformed patrol functions in the City. Both as Chief of Patrol and before that as Chief of Special Operations, Morange had extensive experience with the NYPD's infrastructure protection, and terror preparedness and response function.

As MTA Director of Security, Mr. Morange will supervise security for the MTA's vast transportation network. His responsibilities will include coordinating MTA and MTA Police security efforts with the NYPD, the FBI, State Police, National Guard and the Department of Homeland Security.

Mr. Kalikow said, "Chief Morange's experience working with local and Federal law enforcement agencies will be a great asset. I am confident that he will make a significant contribution to the continued security of the transportation network."

MTA Executive Director Katherine N. Lapp added, "Chief Morange's vast experience in counter terrorism will greatly assist the MTA's ongoing efforts to enhance the safety and security of our system for our customers and employees."

Mr. Morange said, "I look forward to this new challenge. The importance of security to the MTA's transportation network is of immeasurable value to all New Yorkers."

MTA Vice Chairman David Mack said, "Chief Morange provides the perfect blend of policing and security expertise for the MTA's transportation network."

The MTA Security Director was selected after a recommendation from an advisory panel comprised of State Police Superintendent James McMahon, and former NYPD First Deputy Commissioners Joseph Dunn and Patrick Kelleher. The panel screened applicants and provided recommendations from an impressive group of outstanding candidates.

Chief Morange will start in his new position next month.