

Hearing with Capitol and Philly Police

U.S. Capitol and Philadelphia Police Chiefs attend U.S. House Administration Committee security forum chaired by Congressman Brady

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Philadelphia --- The House Administration Committee, chaired by Congressman Robert A. Brady (D., PA), held a "best practices" security forum, Feb. 19, University of Pennsylvania Police Department headquarters, in Philadelphia.

U.S. Capitol Police, the U.S. Office of the Sergeant of Arms outlined security best practices utilized to protect the U. S. Capitol and the millions of visitors to the Capitol campus.

Presenters included the U. S. Capitol Police Chief Phillip Morse, House of Representatives Sgt. at Arms Wilson "Bill" Livingood. Other speakers will include Philadelphia Police Commissioner Charles Ramsey, Pentagon Official Steve Calvary, Dr. Stephen Gale, Co-Chairman of the Center on Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security at the Foreign Policy Research Institute and Dr. Ed Jasper, Director of the Center for Bioterrorism and Disaster Preparedness at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Representatives of the FBI, the Department of Homeland Security and the Transportation Security Administration are also invited. Local representation will also include state and county law enforcement officials. SEPTA, AMTRAK and area university police departments have also been invited.

The Congressman said the forum was important because of the threat of terrorist attack. "The forum will give our local law enforcement agencies the opportunity to discuss face-to-face inter-agency procedures and coordination necessary to save lives in the event of a multi-city terror attack."