Tri-level Legislative Task Force Unveils Findings On Public Safety Report

MALCOLM A. SMITH   June 5, 2008

The Tri-Level Legislative Task Force and Co-Chair Senate Democratic Leader Malcolm A. Smith will hold a press conference to release the findings of a report prepared after a series of public hearings were held to examine police practices, procedures, and their impact on the community. The Task Force was formed in the aftermath of the 2006 fatal shooting of Sean Bell by police, which sparked community outrage and protests. The Task Force report will include recommendations based on public testimony on how to increase community safety and help prevent such incidents from happening in the future.

TASK FORCE MEMBERS: New York State Senate Democratic Leader Malcolm A. Smith; Congressmen Charles B. Rangel and Gregory W. Meeks; State Senators Eric Adams and Shirley Huntley; Assemblymembers Vivian Cook, William Scarborough, Barbara Clark, Ruben Diaz, Jr.; City Public Advocate Betsy Gotbaum; City Comptroller William Thompson; City Council Speaker Christine Quinn; City Council Members Leroy Comrie, James Gennaro, Letitia James, Jessica Lappin, John Liu, Darlene Mealy, James Sanders, Jr., Larry Seabrook, Peter Vallone, Jr., David Weprin, and Thomas White, Jr.

INVITED GUESTS: The Rev. Al Sharpton, National Action Network; Nicole Paultre Bell, widow of Sean Bell; Donna Lieberman, the New York Civil Liberties Union Executive

Director; Norman Siegel, Civil Rights Attorney; Hazel Dukes, New York State NAACP President; Mark Claxton, 100 Blacks in Law Enforcement; Anthony Miranda, National Latino Officers Association; Dr. Divine Pryor, Ph.D, Center for NuLeadership at Medgar Evers College; Mr. William and Valerie Bell, parents of Sean Bell; Trent Benefield; Joseph Guzman; Sanford Rubenstein, Attorney for Nicole Paultre Bell; Michael Hardy, Attorney; and Reverend Herbert Daughtry, House of the Lord Church

WHEN: **Sunday, June 8, 2008**

TIME: **12:00 noon**

WHERE: **City Hall Steps**
                   New York, NY

The Media is encouraged to attend