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Senator Reverend Ruben Diaz (D-Bronx) released the following statement regarding the recent acts of sadistic violence in The Bronx:

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"I am appalled by news reports of depraved criminal acts committed by nine young men who tortured and robbed teens and men in a building on Osborne Place in The Bronx. My thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families.

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No one deserves to be brutalized or victimized. Predatory crimes like these are among the most heinous. Our laws must be enforced. Each criminal involved deserves the maximum penalty upon conviction.

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Violence in our society is out of control. Too many young people act on impulse and don't think about the consequences of their actions for themselves or others. We need to teach our youth to respect each other and remind them about the importance of reflection."

Last week, Senator Reverend Diaz joined with community leaders to denounce crimes committed against Bangladeshi residents in Parkchester. In August, he joined with members of the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization to denounce bias attacks against Mexican residents of Staten Island.