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TO: MTA BOARD MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
FROM: JIM SMART 
SUBJECT: MEDIA COVERAGE, HOMICIDE

Local media outlets have sought information on one of our Transit Police officers whose wife was shot to death by a Kern County Sheriff's deputy yesterday evening. The shooting is being investigated by the Kern County Sheriff's office.

Officer William Cody, whose wife was killed, is a five year veteran with our department. Officer Cody has declined to be interviewed by the media. Transit Police are providing assistance and support to Officer Cody who currently is on personal leave from the Department.