



MTA LEGISLATIVE BRIEF

February 14, 1997
DATE: _____

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: GISSELLE ACEVEDO-FRANCO

- Although not specifically noted on the agenda for the Executive Management Committee (EMC), the MTA's state contract lobbyists will be in attendance at the February 20, EMC meeting to share information relating to pending legislative action. The contract lobbyists will make a brief presentation during the oral presentations on federal, state and local affairs. These periodic appearances by the lobbyists were requested by the MTA Board at its adoption of the 1997 MTA Legislative Program.
- The Joint Budget & Finance, Public Safety and Personnel Committees of the L.A. City Council held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 11, 1997 to discuss the merger of the MTA Transit Police/LAPD and LASD. The Joint Committee unanimously voted to instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) with assistance from the City Attorney's office, LAPD and other affected departments to continue to negotiate an agreement with MTA by which the City would provide police services to the MTA as noted in the nine key issues in the CLA/CAO report. Staff is to report back to the Joint Committee by mid-March 1997 with a proposed final agreement for Council approval.

For more information regarding state issues contact Claudette Moody at 213/922-2237; for local issues contact Audrey Noda at 213/922-2238.