

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

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Dear Mr. Ridley.

Per our conversation, the following are some protocols regarding any material found at 130 Liberty. Street during the clean-up process.

- When any potential human remains, i.e. bone, hair, teeth, soft tissue, are located please call

 Forensic Anthropologist at the Office of Chief Medical Examiner, at

 If you cannot reach him, call me at
- Place remains in individual paper bags. Write the date, location found, including floor and area of building (ie south, north, southeast, etc), and the name of the person who found the item(s) on the outside of the bag. We will then send a Medical Legal Investigator to retrieve the remains.
- 3. If the remains are found during the screening process on the roof, followsthe above protocol.
- Prior to vacuuming the floors, please direct your staff to survey the area for any potential remains. If anything is found, bag the remains individually with the appropriate information written on the outside.
- 5 If large body portions are encountered, please contact myself or Dr. Adams prior to removing them.
- If personal effects are located, i.e. jewelry, photo identifications, credit cards, cell phone remains,
 please call the NYPD Property Clerk at You may warn to
 touch base with him regarding his protocols.
- 7. Do not discard any plane debris. Place the debris in a bag with a location and call

No not discard any clothing items. Examine the surrounding area for any potential human remains. If there are no associated human remains, place clothing items in a bag, write the appropriate information on the outside and call if there are associated human remains, place the clothing item and human remains together in one bag and call us.

Your staff has done an excellent job so far of finding the small remains. If they have any doubts about whether or not something is human remains, they should collect it. It is always better to be more careful. If there are any other questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

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