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PRISONERS' LEGAL SERVICES NOTICE

REGARDING CLINTON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY LOCKDOWN MONDAY – JUNE 15, 2015

PLEASE BE ADVISED that PLS has been in communication with DOCCS Acting Commissioner Anthony Annucci as well as other DOCCS officials and the Governor's office regarding the current lockdown at Clinton Correctional Facility and PLS has been assured of the following:

1. The purpose of the lockdown was to secure the facility and make necessary repairs.
2. To make these repairs, DOCCS worked with the State Commission of Correction. The approval process was expedited and repairs were underway as of Sunday, June 14, 2015.
3. DOCCS is working diligently to address all security concerns to ensure that the prison can operate in a safe, secure and effective manner.
4. The degree and length of the lockdown is in **no way** connected to the capture of the escapees.
5. As of June 10th, showers have been offered and will continue to be allowed.
6. Medical and mental health staff, ORC/Counselors, chaplains, employees of the State Commission of Correction as well as the Superintendent have been making and will continue to make rounds.
7. On Sunday, all individuals being held at Clinton were given 2 free stamps to allow and encourage them to send letters to their loved ones.
8. Although there have been reports that meals were limited to sandwiches twice a day, DOCCS officials assured PLS that as of June 12th, hot meals have been served.
9. Although local news was removed from the televisions from Saturday, June 6 – Tuesday, June 9, all channels were restored as of June 9, 2015.
10. Some commissary buys will be allowed as of today and will gradually be added to over the next week until full commissary privileges are restored.
11. DOCCS is planning on allowing some porters out of their cell as of today.
12. The lockdown at the Clinton Annex will be lifted today.
13. DOCCS plans to lift the lockdown for the remainder of the prison by the end of this week.
14. DOCCS is hopeful for visitation to resume Friday. However, it is recommended that any potential visitors contact the facility before travelling.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Plattsburgh office at the address listed below.

Sincerely yours,

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