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The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
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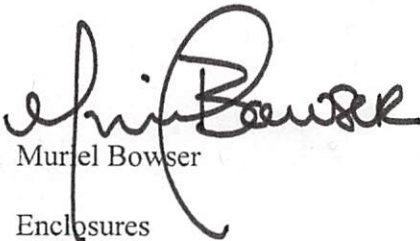
Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with Title I of the *Civil Asset Forfeiture Amendment Act of 2014* (Sec. 112; Act 20-619), please find attached, the corresponding Civil Asset Forfeiture Report from the Metropolitan Police Department. The report provides responses for Fiscal Years 2015-2017 to the following reporting requirements pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 41-312:

- (1) the number of seizures by type of property seized;
- (2) the quantity of each type of property seized;
- (3) the number of seizures by type of asserted violation of District law that gave rise to the seizure;
- (10) by type of property, the number of seized items determined to be returnable for which the District does not have on file a receipt of return; and
- (11) the total quantity of each type of property seized for forfeiture that the District treated as abandoned under §§ 5-119.01 through 5-119.10 and §§ 5-119.12 through 5-119.19 and § 5-119.11.

Please contact Peter Newsham, Chief of Police, at 202-727-4218 or peter.newsham@dc.gov, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser
Enclosures



METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT CIVIL ASSET FORFEITURE REPORT

Pursuant to Title I of the *Civil Asset Forfeiture Amendment Act of 2014* (Sec. 112; Act 20-619), the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) provides this report with regard to civil asset forfeitures for Fiscal Years 2015, 2016, and 2017.

OVERVIEW

The Department regularly investigates cases that may include property subject to seizure and civil forfeiture. The Department has the responsibility of handling, accounting for, and disposing of seized property in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Department's policy is to handle all seized property coming into its custody in a manner that is lawful, timely, and maintains the property's integrity. Property seized can include currency, weapons, vehicles, and other forms of personal and real property.

The procedures for seizure, process, and disposition of property are outlined in MPD's written directives,¹ which are attached.

DATA

Please note that whereas MPD is providing responses on the number of property seizures, the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) has separately provided responses on the corresponding number of property forfeitures. Additionally, OAG separately provided responses to the reporting requirements in D.C. Official Code §§ 41-312(4) through (9).

The MPD data in this report is based on the actual recovery date of the property seized.

D.C. Official Code § 41-312(1): The number of seizures by type of property seized

The table below lists the total number of each individual property type seized rather than each police event. In some cases, a police event may involve the seizure of more than one type of property.

Property Type	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Money (US Currency)	543	111	166
Money (Coins)	0	0	5
Money (Counterfeit)	0	1	0
Vehicle	33	10	9
Total	576	122	180

¹ GO-601.01 Recording, Handling, and Disposition of Property Coming into the Custody of the Department; GO-601.03 Handling and Accounting for Seized and Forfeited Property; and SO-00-17 Procedures for Handling Seized Monies.

D.C. Official Code § 41-312(2): The total quantity of each type of property seized

In addition to total vehicle seizures, the table below lists the amount of silver bars and coins seized and the total dollar value of all U.S. money in cash for each fiscal year.

Property Type	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Money (US Currency)	\$ 375,253.67	\$ 598,260.74	\$ 561,655.37
Money (Silver Bars)	0	0	690 oz.
Money (Coins)	0	0	2,699 coins
Vehicles	33	10	9

D.C. Official Code § 41-312(3): The number of seizures by type of asserted violation of District law that gave rise to the seizure

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Gambling (§ 22-1705)	40	1	1
Prostitution (§ 22-2723)	25	3	0
Drug Offenses (§ 48-905.02)	496	111	168
Drug Offenses (§ 48-905.02) and Firearms (§ 7-2507.06a)	1	1	1
Misuse of Tags (§ 50-1501.04)	2	0	0
Firearms Offenses (§ 7-2507.06a)	12	6	10
Total	576	122	180

D.C. Official Code § 41-312(10): By type of property, the number of seized items determined to be returnable for which the District does not have on file a receipt of return as required by D.C. Official Code § 41-309(b)

The table below lists the number of items pending release as of April 20, 2018.

Category	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Items Pending Release	3	1	0

D.C. Official Code § 41-312(11): The total quantity of each type of property seized for forfeiture that the District treated as abandoned under D.C. Official Code §§ 5-119.01 through 5-119.10 and §§ 5-119.12 through 5-119.19, and § 5-119.11

There were no properties seized for forfeiture that the District treated as abandoned.