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Sydney Motorcycle Response Team - Operational Return - Month of September 2012

BACKGROUND:

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The MRT commenced on Monday 1st August, 2012 and primarily operates between 6am and 8pm.

COMMENT:

Results of the MRT during the month of September 2012 are shown below.

The warning phase for offences existed for the month of August.

	RBT	Move On	Seat Belt & Phones	Parking	Pedestrian Cautions	Congestion Offences	Other TINs
Sept *12	558	2897	133	278	698	86	379

The presence of the MRT has had a positive impact on police response times for congestion related incidents within the Sydney CBD during rostered hours. It should be noted that the reporting system have changed to show congestion offences and these will be captured in the future. The all other TINs category includes the Congestion offences prior to the change is the reporting system.

The MRT attended a number of incidents during the month of September 2012 including Operation Franklin which was directly targeting congestion and pedestrian offences.

The operation yielded the following results;

Intersection Offences	Restraint Offences	Other Infringements	Pedestrian Cautions
86	8	13	152

Sydney City Council was actively involved whereby a total of 150 pedestrian & bicycle safety brochures were handed out during the operation.

Mr Harold Scrubby from the Pedestrian Council was also in attendance and also took the opportunity to provide educational material to pedestrians during the operation.

Future operations are planned for the following dates:

24th October 2012 - City Central LAC (Park/Castlereagh & Park & Pitt)

7th November 2012 - The Rocks LAC (To be advised)

21st November 2012 - City Central LAC (Castlereagh/Market & Pitt/Market)

5th December 2012 - The Rocks LAC (To be advised)

19th December 2012 - City Central LAC (Castlereagh/Market & Pitt/Market)

Additional activities are being undertaken by the MRT to address congestion, specifically education sessions conducted with key stakeholders such as Transport Workers Union, NSW Taxi Council and others with some being cancelled (Limousine Drivers Association), and this will be attended to in the near future.



These sessions clarify the lawful requirements and expectations of the operators, their vehicles and drivers with actions being taken by the MRT being explained to ensure compliance.

RECOMMENDATION:

Forwarded for the information of the Minister.

M A Cook Chief Inspector Operations Manager Traffic and Highway Patrol Command 18/10/2012

- 1. Commander, Traffic and Highway Patrol Command
- 2. Deputy Commissioner, Field Operations
- 3. Commissioner
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Oct '12	555	3668	230	359	920	37	746

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The operation yielded the following results:

Intersection Offences	Other Infringements	Pedestrian Offences	Pedestrian Cautions	
52	53	38	32	- Andrewson of the last

Sydney City Council was actively involved whereby a total of 86 pedestrian & bicycle safety brochures were handed out during the operation.

Mr Harold Scrubby from the Pedestrian Council was also in attendance and also took the opportunity to provide educational material to pedestrians during the operation.

Future operations are planned for the following dates:

7th November 2012 - The Rocks LAC (Pitt)

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These sessions clarify the lawful requirements and expectations of the operators, their vehicles and drivers with actions being taken by the MRT being explained to ensure compliance. The Transport Workers Union has as a result of this interaction distributed a

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brochure to their members outlining the requirements and expectations of the MRT specifically in regards to congestion at intersections.

RECOMMENDATION:

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M A Cook Chief Inspector Operations Manager Traffic and Highway Patrol Command 12 November 2012

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Nov 12	666	2828	230	305	653	52	580

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Intersection Offences	Other Infringements	Pedestrian Offences	Pedestrian Cautions
16	31	24	58

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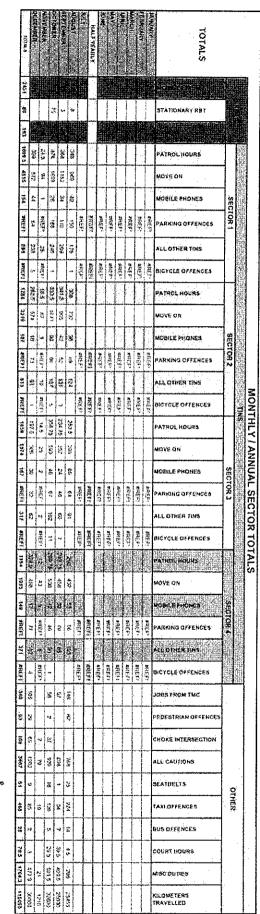
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