

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority  
Board Action/Information Summary** Action  
 InformationMEAD Number:  
99783Resolution:  
 Yes  No**PURPOSE**

To obtain the Board's approval for international travel for Metro Transit Police Department Captain Leslie Campbell to attend an Expert Meeting on implementing effective public transportation systems. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), in conjunction with the U.S. Embassy in Russia and the Government of the City of Moscow, will host this workshop in Moscow, Russia on May 24-30, 2007.

**DESCRIPTION**

After giving a presentation on Transportation Developments in Washington for delegates from the City of Moscow, Captain Campbell was extended an invitation by Rita Daguillard, Director, Office of Research Management to participate in a future meeting and speak on the topic of "Security Management - the U.S. Experience." This technical conference will provide a forum through which the relevant government officials of Russia and the United States, as well as representatives of the public and private sectors of the mass transit industry, will discuss topics such as reducing congestion, implementing effective safety and security measures, financing public transport infrastructure, serving the elderly and the disabled, and making use of new technology and service innovations. The workshop will also provide an excellent opportunity to share Russian and U.S. experiences and gain insights into both countries' transit operations. WMATA is considered one of the leaders in the public transportation industry in the U.S., and the experiences and knowledge that Captain Campbell will bring to these issues will be a great asset to the meeting.

**FUNDING IMPACT**

No impact on funding. The FTA will pay expenses incurred while traveling. These expenses include, but are not limited to, airfare, lodging accommodations, and meals.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Board policy on international travel by WMATA staff requires the approval of the General Manager and concurrence from the Board of Directors.

That the General Manager approves and the Board concurs on the international travel for MTPD Captain Leslie Campbell to travel to Moscow, Russia on May 24-30, 2007, as per Board policy governing International Travel by WMATA staff.