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ALERT

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RE: Pope Francis' NYC Visit –
Street Closures and Traffic Restrictions

Attached is information on the street closures and traffic restrictions during the visit of Pope Francis to New York City from Thursday, September 24, 2015 through Saturday, September 26, 2015.

Thank you.

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POPE FRANCIS VISITS NEW YORK CITY Thursday, September 24th to Saturday, September 26th

NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES TO NORMAL OPERATIONS IN NYC

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His Holiness, Pope Francis, will be traveling to the United States for the first time since becoming Pope. During his travels he will visit New York City from Thursday, September 24th until Saturday, September 26th.

The City of New York is dedicated to providing as much information as possible to ensure that residents and business owners of affected areas are well informed about interruptions in normal operations as a result of Pope Francis' visit to New York City. The purpose of this communication is to inform you of the details of this event and any changes to normal operations in the area.

Please read below to see when and how your area may be affected. Building occupants and employees in all affected areas are encouraged to carry identification at all times. Additionally, we ask that you take these notices into consideration as it may impede on business deliveries and meetings.

STREET CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS

Central Park

Friday, September 25, 5:00pm—7:00pm

- Pope Francis' **Central Park** Procession begins at approximately 5:00 PM and concludes at 7:00PM on Friday, September 25th.
- 12:00 AM to 7:00 PM
 - Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic on **61st Street, 62nd Street, 63rd Street, 64th Street, 65th Street and 66th Street** between **Central Park West and Broadway**.
 - Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic on **67th Street, 68th Street, 69th Street, 70th Street, 71st Street, 72nd Street, 73rd Street, 74th Street, 75th Street, 76th Street, and 77th Street** between **Central Park West and Columbus Avenue**.
- Central Park will remain open to the public, but access to the park between **West Drive and Central Park West** from **81st Street to 59th Street—Columbus Circle** will be limited to ticketed guests.

East Harlem

Friday, September 25, 4:00pm—5:15pm

- Pope Francis will visit **229 East 112th Street** beginning at 4:00pm and concluding at 5:15pm on Friday, September 25th. This event is by invitation only through the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM to 6:00PM
 - **112th Street** from **2nd Avenue to 3rd Avenue** will be closed to vehicular Traffic
 - **113th Street Cul-de-sac** will be closed to vehicular traffic
- 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
 - Trucks will not be able to access **2nd Avenue and 3rd Avenue** between **106th Street to 116th Street**
- Streets may face interruptions in flow of traffic or activities from **Lexington Avenue to 2nd Avenue** between **110th Street and 116th Street**.

FDR Drive

Thursday, September 24th and Saturday, September 26th

- FDR Drive is subject to intermittent closures for the following locations:
 - Southbound traffic at **63rd street**
 - Northbound traffic at **South Ferry**

Financial District

Friday, September 25, 11:00am—1:00pm

- Pope Francis will visit the **National September 11 Memorial and Museum** beginning at 11:00am and concluding at 1:00pm on Friday, September 25th. This event is by invitation only through the September 11 Memorial and Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM
 - **Liberty Street** and **Cedar Street** will be closed between **Trinity Place** and **Greenwich Street**
- 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
 - Northbound traffic lanes on **West Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between Battery Place to Murray Street
 - Southbound traffic lanes will be closed on **West Street** between **Chambers Street** and **Albany Street**
 - Trucks will be restricted from moving south on **West Street** between **Chambers Street** and **Albany Street**
- Streets may face interruptions in flow of traffic or activities **from Barclay St to Battery Park Place** between **West Street** and **Broadway**.

Midtown

Thursday, September 24, 5:30pm-8:00pm

- During Pope Francis' visit to New York City he will make visits to the Midtown area including **St. Patrick's Cathedral, 51st and Madison Avenue**. This event is by invitation only through the City of New York and the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM
 - **50th Street** and **51st Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5th Avenue to Madison Avenue**.
- 3:00 AM to 6:00 AM
 - **5th Avenue** between **55th Street to 47th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
 - **55th Street to 48th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **6th Avenue and Madison Avenue**.
- 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM
 - 5th Avenue will reopen
 - All crosstown traffic will reopen, but will be reduced to one lane.
 - **50th Street** and **51st Street** will remain closed to vehicular traffic from **5th Avenue to Madison Avenue**.
- 10:00 AM
 - **5th Avenue** between **55th Street to 47th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
 - **55th Street to 48th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **6th Avenue and Madison Avenue**.
- 2:00 PM
 - **Madison Avenue** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **47th Street to 52nd Street**.
- 5:45 PM to 6:00 PM
 - **5th Avenue** from **56th Street to 48th Street** will be closed to pedestrian traffic.

Midtown (continued)

Friday, September 25th, 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

- During Pope Francis' visit to New York City he will make visits to the Midtown area including the **United Nations**. This event is not open to the public.
- 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
 - Upper **1st Avenue** is closed between **42nd Street** to **46th Street**
 - **42nd Street** is closed to vehicular traffic from **2nd Avenue** to **1st Avenue**
 - **FDR 42nd Street exit** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
 - **43rd Street, 44th Street** and **45th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **1st Avenue** to **2nd Avenue**
 - Trucks will be restricted on Lower **1st Avenue** between **40th Street** and **47th Street**.

Madison Square Garden

Friday, September 25th, 6:00pm—8:15pm

- Pope Francis will visit **Madison Square Garden** beginning at 6:00pm and concluding at 8:00 PM on Friday, September 25th. This event is by invitation only through the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM to 11:59PM
 - Streets will be closed to vehicular on **33rd Street** and **31st Street** from **9th Avenue** to **7th Avenue**.
- 12:00 PM
 - Streets will have managed access for vehicular traffic on
 - **31st Street, 32nd Street** and **33rd Street** from **6th Avenue** to **7th Avenue**
 - On **7th Avenue** from **30th Street** to **34th Street**, two western lanes will be closed to vehicular traffic
 - On **8th Avenue** from **31st Street** to **33rd Street**, streets will be reduced to one lane only with intermittent closures
 - Trucks will be restricted from **7th Avenue** and **8th Avenue** from **30th Street** to **34th Street**
- 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
 - **8th Avenue** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **31st Street** and **33rd Street**
- The only entrance to Madison Square Garden will be from **7th Avenue**. Building occupants and employees are encouraged to carry identification at all times.
- There may be interruptions in street activity from **9th Avenue** to **6th Avenue** between **29th Street** and **34th Street**.

Upper East Side

Starting Thursday, September 24th at 6:00 am and ending Saturday, September 26th, 7:00 am

- Due to the Papal visit, streets may face periodic interruptions in flow of traffic or activities from **70th Street** to **74th Street** between **5th Avenue** and **Park Avenue**.
- Starting September 24th until September 26th,
 - 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM
 - **Madison Avenue** from **69th Street** to **73rd Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic on the two western lanes
 - Trucks will have restricted access in this area
 - **5th Avenue** from **71st Street** to **74th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic on 1 eastern lane.
 - **71st Street** and **72nd Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5th Avenue** to **Madison Avenue**
 - **70th Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **Park Avenue** to **Madison Avenue**

Upper East Side (continued)

- 11:00 PM to 6:00 AM
 - **71st Street, 72nd Street and 73rd Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5th Avenue** to **Park Avenue**
 - **Madison Avenue** will be closed between **68th Street** to **74th Street**
 - Trucks are restricted on **5th Avenue** from **71st Street** to **74th Street**
- When Pope Francis is not in residence, **Madison Avenue** will not be restricted.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Please visit www.mta.info for updates on any service interruptions or reroutes.

If you have any further questions regarding this event and other street closures, please visit nyc.gov/papalvisit or contact 311 or dial 212-NEW-YORK.