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**ONE NEW YORK: WORKING FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOODS  
NEW NYPD GUN SUPPRESSION DIVISION**

The Mayor has partnered with the NYPD and the city's district attorneys to develop a comprehensive plan to strengthen and speed investigations and prosecutions of gun crimes. The centerpiece of the plan is a new 200-officer gun suppression division that will allow the NYPD to more effectively target those who carry illegal guns and traffic firearms into the City.

**Details**

- As New York City's crime rate continues to fall under Mayor de Blasio, apprehending the small group of offenders responsible for the remaining gun violence in our City is a top priority for this administration.
- A new division of 200 NYPD personnel will focus on investigations into illegal firearm possession, shootings and gang activity. This division will also house enforcement efforts related to illegal gun sales. An extensive database that will aggregate forensic evidence and help the police track trends, identify offenders, and conduct long-term investigations in 17 precincts with the highest concentrations of gun violence.
- The Mayor's broader Project Fast Track initiative, which was announced in partnership with the state court system, also includes the assignment of devoted courts, judges, and prosecutors who will enhance the City's ability to zero in on those who carry illegal guns into New York. The Mayor has also committed resources to improving the collection of forensic evidence, such as DNA, in cases involving illegal guns.

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