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NOTIFICATION – SUBWAY ATTACKER SENTENCED*

Dear Community Partner in Justice:

Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson today announced that a defendant--Anthony Coward of Bedford-Stuyvesant--was sentenced to 12 years in prison for robbing and violently attacking subway riders in Brooklyn. In each robbery, the defendant approached the victims from behind, struck them over their heads with a hammer as they purchased a MetroCard, demanded money and fled the scene.

District Attorney Thompson said, "In order for our city to be a place of law and order, people must be able to enter our subways without fear of being violently attacked. This defendant caused such fear by ambushing subway riders from behind, smashing them over their heads with a hammer and running off with their money. Without question, he now deserves to spend many years locked up in prison due to the extremely violent nature of his attacks."

Sincerely,

Ken Thompson

***An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.**