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NORTH HOLLYWOOD EXTENSION OF METRO RED LINE SET TO OPEN JUNE 24

**EARTHQUAKES, POLICE AND FIRE/SAFETY ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED AS
THE NEW METRO RED LINE NORTH HOLLYWOOD SUBWAY EXTENSION
GOES "ON-LINE" AT STATE-OF-THE-ART RAIL OPERATIONS CENTER**

WHAT: With April being "Earthquake Preparedness Month," MTA will showcase its high-tech state-of-the-art Rail Operations Center in South Central Los Angeles, dubbed the "***U.S.S. Enterprise***," capable of handling any type of emergency. With the Metro Red Line North Hollywood extension of the subway system opening to the public on June 24, MTA staff will join the LAPD, LASD and LA City Fire Department to address safety measures that have been incorporated into the design, construction and operation of the Metro Red Line subway. Demonstrations will show how MTA tracks Metro Rail trains and personnel monitor all Metro Rail stations via closed circuit television. Hundreds of TV monitors and cameras keep a watchful eye on the entire Metro Rail system.

WHEN: **Tuesday, April 25, 2000**
10 a.m.

WHERE: MTA Rail Operations Center
2000 East Imperial Highway
*(Imperial Hwy. & Willowbrook Ave.)
Willowbrook

WHO: Paul Lennon, MTA Managing Director Safety & Security
Garrett Zimmon, LAPD Commander
Marc Klugman, Captain, Transit Division, LASD
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