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MTA ISSUES REIMBURSEMENT CHECKS TO HOLLYWOOD BUSINESSES -- Berta Selena (c), owner of El Golfo de Fonseco, a Salvadorean restaurant, receives one of the first reimbursement checks issued by the MTA to Hollywood Boulevard business owners. The check compensated Ms. Selena for loss of business revenues when her restaurant was closed due to ground settlement. With Ms. Selena, from left are Joel Sandberg, Metro Red Line Segment 2 project manager; Icimar Selena, 4; and Abdoul Sesay, MTA risk manager, rail construction. The MTA has processed and paid a number of economic loss claims to businesses located along Hollywood Boulevard between Wilcox and Whitley avenues. The agency also is accepting claims for property damage that can be traced to ground settlement. Claims may be filed at the MTA's Field Office at 6286 Hollywood Blvd.

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