

December 11, 1998

MEDIA ADVISORY/PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

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MEDIA INVITED FOR A "SNEAK-PEEK" OF HOLLYWOOD SUBWAY SYSTEM AND TESTING OF METRO RED LINE TRAINS BENEATH HOLLYWOOD BLVD.

WHAT: MTA invites the media to take a "sneak-peek" of trains being tested on the Hollywood segment of the Metro Red Line subway system, scheduled to open to the public in May, 1999. Testing of the Red Line trains is being conducted beneath Hollywood Boulevard between the Metro Red Line Hollywood/Vine and Hollywood/Western stations. This latest milestone includes several months of testing of the 4.6-mile leg of the subway. Photographers and camera crews will be allowed to actually ride on a test train between the two stations and will have the opportunity to film the interior of two Metro Red Line stations under construction.

WHEN: Wednesday, December 16, 1998 4 p.m. (Please arrive promptly - One test ride only)

 WHERE:
 Hollywood/Vine Metro Red Line Station

 Hollywood Boulevard & Vine

 Hollywood <u>**(Media Parking available one block south of</u>

 Hollywood Boulevard off of Argyle behind the station

 entrance.

Editors Note: There will be only one train test ride. Please arrive promptly at time stated. The segment being tested is still classified as a construction zone. All persons entering will be safety trained at the beginning of the event and must wear hard hats which will be provided. Long pants and flat shoes are required.

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