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***Statement in Response to Reporting that Some Evolv Employees Engaged in
Misconduct During Business Deals***

(NEW YORK, NY) - The Legal Aid Society issued the following statement in response to [reporting](#) that some employees from Evolv, the company behind Mayor Eric Adams' failed subway gun detection system pilot, engaged in misconduct during business deals:

“In addition to the Evolv scanners [failing](#) to detect any firearms and triggering 118 false alarms during its 30-day pilot run in the New York City subway system, the recent report that some Evolv employees engaged in misconduct that resulted in misleading company financial statements is yet another reason for this failed project to be permanently shelved.

“Any action by City Hall to further implement the use of Evolv scanners, amidst a myriad of evidence — including lawsuits, a failed pilot, and investigations — that the technology is unreliable, would be reckless and would further risk unnecessary and tense interactions between police and all New Yorkers who rely on public transit.”

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