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Statement on Mayor Adams' Failed Subway Gun Detection System Pilot

(NEW YORK, NY) - The Legal Aid Society issued the following statement in response to reporting on Mayor Eric Adams' <u>failed</u> subway gun detection system pilot:

"It's now abundantly clear why the Administration delayed releasing these figures. Not only did the Evolv scanners detect zero firearms, but they triggered 118 false alarms, compromising the safety of subway riders. This is objectively a failure, no matter how hard City Hall tries to spin this data.

"Given this failed pilot, all the other overwhelming evidence against using Evolv's weapons detectors, and the surrounding controversies, including lawsuits and various investigations, we hope that this ill-conceived, fraught, and unwanted idea is finally shelved for good."

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