

MEMORANDUM

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DATE: APRIL 18, 2003

RE: MATRIX

Gentlemen:

At 11:00 a.m. on April 29, 2003, Governor Jeb Bush will personally host a telephone conference and Internet video demonstration of MATRIX with the Governors and/or staff representatives of the participating states in the project. Ms. Karen Galiardo (phone number 501-893-8050) of Seisint Corporation has been coordinating the demonstration with LeAnn Gillis and Darby Lister.

The purpose of the demonstration is to illustrate the investigative potential of MATRIX.

The current status of MATRIX is as follows:

- The state of Pennsylvania has transferred their government data to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Georgia and the other states are waiting for approval from their Governors regarding participation in the project and transfer of data.
- Alabama and Connecticut, who are not members of the MATRIX pilot project, have requested to participate in the project.
- The current MATRIX grant will pay for all connectivity costs (i.e., Georgia to MATRIX program in Florida) and for use of the system until January 2004. Beginning in 2004, each state will be responsible for an annual charge of \$1.78 million to participate in unlimited access for data retrieval.
- The U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security have advised that homeland security grant funds given to the individual states can be used to fund the recurring costs of MATRIX.

On April 22, the 13 states in the MATRIX pilot project will meet in Atlanta to discuss the status of the project.

Do you have any information about the time frame for Governor Perdue to approve or disapprove of Georgia's full participation in MATRIX?

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