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Even though the rogue terrorist act of last April 15th that has become known as the Boston Marathon Bombings occurred more than 200 miles from the city, its pain was keenly felt here, where our building teams staunchly remain our first line of defense and memory is long and deep.

As happened with 9/11, lessons were learned by our Boston colleagues apply throughout our industry. Join BOMA New York on Thursday, August 7th in a special seminar to share a case study focusing on private sector response. (The second knapsack exploded directly adjacent to the Prudential Center mixed-use complex in the city's heart, one of the jewels of the Boston skyline, and a major population center with three high-rise office towers, a glass-enclosed shopping center, underground parking for 3,000 and connections to three hotels, five residential high-rises and a major convention center.)

BOMA NY's colleagues at Boston Properties, owner/manager of the Prudential Center, have developed a case study presentation combining audio and video of the immediate consequences of the attack, and incorporated it into a summation of the critical responses and aftermath to be shared by other BOMA chapters. It is also being shared with public safety agencies and the intelligence community, trade groups for financial services and the security industry, and educational institutions.

The presentation will be led by John Tello, who brings 31 years of experience in the fields of security and law enforcement experience to his role as assistant director of life safety and security for Boston Properties.

Tello has been affiliated with the Prudential Center for 18 years, and previously held corporate security positions with the State Street Boston Corp. and the First National Bank of Boston. Already, the presentation has been shared with other BOMA associations as well as governmental and private sector groups.

On seeing the presentation, John Farrell, manager of critical infrastructure planning and operation at The Port Authority of NY & NJ, and a member of BOMA NY's preparedness committee, recommended it strongly for all BOMA NY members.

Cost of the seminar is \$90 for members and \$155 for non-members. Registration and breakfast start at 8 a.m., with the presentation and Q&A beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 10:30 a.m.

If you have not yet received your electronic invitation and registration form, please contact the BOMA NY office at 212-239-3662 or email Mary Sorgente at mary@bomany.com.

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