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**CCRB RELEASES 2011 ANNUAL STATUS REPORT**

The Civilian Complaint Review Board today released its 12-month status report for 2011. The report provides a portrait of complaint activity, agency productivity, and police department discipline in substantiated cases of misconduct.

In 2011, people filed 8% fewer police misconduct complaints than in 2010, and 22% fewer than in 2009. In 2011, there were 5,966 complaints compared to 6,467 in 2010 and 7,660 in 2009.

From January to December 31, 2011, the police department disciplined 216 officers in cases that had been substantiated by the CCRB in 2011 and prior years. This was a disciplinary action rate on substantiated CCRB complaints of 81%, an historical high. In 2010 the rate of disciplinary action on substantiated CCRB complaints was 77%.

Report highlights regarding stop, question and frisk complaints:

- Stop and frisk complaints have accounted for roughly one third of the agency's total intake since 2005. In 2011, 29% of CCRB complaints involved an allegation of an improper stop, question, frisk or search stemming from a street encounter.
- The CCRB's data shows that people were most likely to complain about a street encounter if they were searched. While officers appear to be conducting searches in 9% of street encounters according to police department data, 59% of the 1,716 stop-related complaints in 2011 contained a search allegation. Thirty-eight percent of CCRB complainants had been arrested or ticketed, compared to documented street encounters where 12% of those stopped were arrested or ticketed. People complained about frisks in 37% of complaints, while the department documented a frisk in 56% of their stops. Only 87 complaints out of 1,716 (5%) stemmed from a frisk alone.

- People who are stopped by police are filing complaints at an increasingly lower rate. In 2011, the CCRB received one complaint per 400 stops. In 2010, one per 319; in 2009, one per 256; in 2008, one per 237; and in 2007 the CCRB received one complaint per 184 encounters.
- The actual number of CCRB stop, question and frisk complaints has been declining even as the number of NYPD documented street encounters has continued to rise. In 2011, there were 1,716 “stop and frisk” complaints, a 10% drop from 2010, while documented street encounters increased 14%, to an all- time high of 685,724. In 2010, there were 1,884 “stop and frisk” complaints, a 17% decrease from 2009, though documented street encounters increased 4% that year.

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