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New Jersey State Parole Board
Director Lawrence Gregorio, Division of Release
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Re: Parole Hearing for Inmate Sundiata Acoli (aka: Clark Edward Squire)

Dear Director Gregorio,

It has come to our attention that Inmate Sundiata Acoli, aka: Clark Edward Squire, is scheduled for a parole hearing on November 19, 2020. Please allow this correspondence to serve as our vehement opposition to his release.

As you may know, Inmate Acoli was sentenced in 1974 to life plus 24 to 30 years of incarceration for his role in the May 3, 1973, murder of Trooper Werner Foerster on the New Jersey Turnpike. The actions of Inmate Acoli in the murder of Trooper Foerster are well documented and known throughout not only the New Jersey State Police, but the entire New Jersey Law Enforcement Community. Rest assured, while we realize that it has been forty-seven years since Inmate Acoli perpetrated the brutal murder of Trooper Foerster, we are certainly not moved by the fact that he is now 82 years old.

As you may also know from the New Jersey Appellate Court's, December 2019, affirmation of your parole board's finding that Inmate Acoli, "lacked insight into his criminal behavior, denied key aspects of his crimes and minimized his criminal conduct and anti-social behavior." We find it is extremely difficult to believe that in less than one-year's time, Inmate Acoli has miraculously found remorse, accepted rehabilitation, or even offered a sincere admission of his actions in the inhumane murder of Trooper Foerster.

On behalf of the entire membership of our Association of Former New Jersey State Troopers, which still support and rallies around Trooper Foerster's Family and his fellow Jersey Troopers impacted by the murderous actions inmate Acoli chose to commit some forty-seven years ago, I respectfully request the denial of Inmate Acoli's release. We fully expect the criminal justice system to adhere to the same standards and requirements held by the New Jersey State Police and the entire Law Enforcement Community.

For the President
Nicholas C. Soranno, Jr.

Sincerely,

George J. Wren, Jr.