News Release

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The States "High Visibility Enforcement Campaign" is in full force . Law enforcement officers will be out in full force to stop impaired drivers by conducting saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints. Legally impaired drivers will be subject to immediate arrest.

The Connecticut State Police, Sgt. Perry, TFC Nelson Abarzua and the Officers of the Prospect Resident State Trooper's Office, under the supervision of Lt. Regina Rush-Kittle will be conducting a **DUI Enforcement Spotcheck at the intersection of Route 68 and Route 69** on December 22, 2004 from 4 pm until the early morning hours.

All vehicles stopped will be briefly examined for signs of intoxication and compliance with State laws. This will include Safety belts and Child Safety seats. In cases where the officer or trooper detects signs of intoxication or violations, the motorist will be directed to a location out of the flow of traffic where the trooper or officer will conduct an additional investigation. All other drivers will be permitted to resume their journey immediately. The average delay will be approx. 20 seconds for the non-violator operator.

By Partnering with national organizations like the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and other traffic safety organizations, we hope to save lives in Prospect and help reach the national goal of reducing alcohol-related deaths nationwide to no more than 11,000 by the year 2005.

This is also a reminder that drinking and driving will NOT be condoned and violations will be strictly enforced. Let's keep ALL of us Safe: Buckle Up and have your children in the correctly installed safety seat and have No drunk drivers, so that we can have a Safe and Happy Holiday.