



**CORRECTION OFFICERS' BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
"PATROLLING THE TOUGHEST PRECINCTS IN NEW YORK"

# Press Release

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### **STATEMENT FROM COBA PRESIDENT ELIAS HUSAMUDEEN REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION'S INVITATION TO COLIN KAEPERNICK TO SPEAK TO INMATES ON RIKERS ISLAND TODAY.**

"At a time when jail violence is soaring and assaults on Correction Officers are rising, Commissioner Brann invites Colin Kaepernick, who's anti-law enforcement sentiment is on full display with the message "Pigs" written on his socks, to speak to a group of inmates who are provided suits and ties to listen to him.

This will only encourage inmates to continue to attack Correction Officers at a time when we need more protection.

We're living in a world of make believe. Inmates don't wear suits in jail. Give suits to the men in the streets looking for work. Help them before they come to jail.

Once again, Correction Officers find themselves caught in Mayor de Blasio's political con-game.

This is yet another brazen display of the hypocrisy of this Mayor who pretends to support us in public, yet does everything possible to jeopardize our security in private."

-Elias Husamudeen  
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