Statement from NYC Comptroller Lander on the Trump Administration's Illegal Reversal of FEMA Funding

February 12, 2025

"This morning, my financial team shockingly uncovered that President Trump and his crony Elon Musk illegally executed a revocation of \$80 million in congressionally-appropriated FEMA funding from New York City's bank accounts late yesterday afternoon. This is money that the federal government previously disbursed for shelter and services and is now missing. This highway robbery of our funds directly out of our bank account is a betrayal of everyone who calls New York City home."

"New York City cannot take this lying down. I call on the Mayor to immediately pursue legal action to ensure the tens of millions of dollars stolen by Trump and DOGE are rightfully returned. If instead Mayor Adams continues to be President Trump's pawn, my Office will request to work in partnership with the New York City Law Department to pursue aggressive legal action."

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