

# STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANDRO C. CARVALHO ON BEHALF OF THE OPAT COMMISSION

“The Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) is reviewing recent public statements by the Boston Police Department (BPD), including remarks aired on [Boston Fox 25](#) on December 9, 2025, as well as the BPD Commissioner’s [December 4, 2025](#) letter in response to the Civilian Review Board’s [September 11, 2025](#) letter. OPAT’s authority is laid out in a [City of Boston Ordinance](#). While we respect legitimate requirements of existing protocols, the ordinance establishing OPAT describes, demands, and calls for a comprehensive role for community and civilian oversight over BPD. Upholding the integrity of OPAT’s independent process is essential to the accountability framework that Boston residents and policymakers envisioned. We look forward to continuing to have ongoing meaningful discussions with BPD, to provide transparent and effective oversight over policing in Boston.”