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**STRAPHANGERS CAMPAIGN REACTS
TO MTA IG REPORT ON
DEFICIENCIES IN NYC TRANSIT INSPECTIONS
OF SUBWAY STRUCTURES
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Like most subway riders, the Straphangers Campaign is alarmed by the disarray found by the MTA Inspector General in the way MTA New York City Transit inspects many of its elevated and support structures.

Parts of the city subways are more than a century old. Support structures going uninspected for decades "increases the risk of serious structural failures," as the MTA IG concludes in the report.

To their credit, transit officials have admitted the problem and are in basic agreement with the report's findings. We hope that the next review finds substantial improvements and that the subways receive the funds needed to get the system to a state of good repair.