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The Morning Traffic Report

REPORTER STEVE

(Peppy, over helicopter whir.)

Morning, Reg. We've got a busy one, so let's Right to it. On the turnpike, we've got flaming debris raining onto the roadway. That's from an explosion at the fuel tanks by Exit 12. We've got rolling fireballs, asbestos plumes, and just a general mess in the area. Stick to the eastern spur inbound.

Moving up to the tunnel, DOT's reporting terrorist activity inside the tube. Military units have shut down the left and center approaches, so make a beeline for that still-open right lane and you should be OK.

Over to the bridge, drivers take note: the lower level of the span has collapsed. Repeat: collapsed, dumping cars and commuters into the drink. This is a real disaster, folks. Head for the upper level inbound AND out.

Now up to points north, here's my colleague Jenna Gromyko on SkyWatch. Jenna?

REPORTER JENNA

(Peppy, over helicopter whir.)

Thanks, Steve. Here's the poop in the 'burbs:

The expressway's come to a crawl at Exit 42, where a fella apparently has set himself on fire protesting who-knows-what. We've got rubbernecking, we've got police activity, we've got everything but traffic flow. Hop Over to the parkway instead. Maybe give the Boulevard a try.

The one bright spot in the whole morning mess? Why, it's the Tri-State Bridge! Can you believe it? Seems reports of a sniper targeting SUVs have drivers whipping across the span to outrun the gunfire.

That's it from SkyWatch. From high above it all, I'm Jenna Gromyko. Now for a check of the business news, here's Carol Trinker. Carol?

REPORTER CAROL

(Peppy.)

Thanks, Jenna. Well, it looks like yesterday's nuclear exchange is having some upside "fallout" in the commodities markets. In the trading pits in Chicago today ...

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