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September 26, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:           DAVID DEMAREST  
                  TONY SNOW

FROM:               BETH HINCHLIFFE

SUBJECT:            CRIME STOPPERS INTERNATIONAL REMARKS

On Wednesday, October 2, you will deliver remarks to an audience of 850 at the 12th annual Crime Stoppers International Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. The audience is composed of Crime Stoppers Board Members, state and local police coordinators from across the nation, spouses and members of the media.

Your remarks (approximately 8 minutes/cards) acknowledge the accomplishments of Crime Stoppers International, and highlight the 1991 Comprehensive Crime Bill.

(Hinchliffe/Bunton)  
September 25, 1991 3 p.m.  
CRIMES.TS Draft Three

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CRIMESTOPPERS INTERNATIONAL  
Wednesday, October 2, 1991  
Louisville, Kentucky**

I'm delighted to join in the 15th anniversary of your founding. I note that the day after tomorrow is the 60th birthday of this nation's pre-eminent Crimestopper -- is it true you've gathered here to throw a birthday party for Dick Tracy? \\

You know, in school we learn the "Three Rs". From now on we'll also have to learn the Crimestoppers' lesson -- the "Three Ps". To stop crime, we need People to help the Police, and we need publicity by the Press.

After all, the three Ps produce a fourth P: Peace. You know: You promote public safety by turning it into a community affair. Crimestoppers come in all sizes and descriptions: grandparents, kids, businessmen, parents. You strengthen the bonds that turn a series of homes into real communities. Together, you make your communities -- and our nation -- a better, stronger, safer place to live. Indeed, through your 850 international programs, you make the world a safer place to live.

To Americans sick and tired of feeling threatened in their own homes -- of cowering in fear of punks -- of worrying about their kids and their future, I say: Band together. Become Crimestoppers. No one has to have to accept crime as a fact of life: You don't. You offer a cost-effective, responsible, moral way to take back the streets.

~~In the last decade alone,~~ you have contributed information

that has helped solve 340,000 felonies. The courts have convicted 96.5 percent of those arrested through tips supplied by Crimestoppers. Your information has helped authorities recover nearly 2 billion dollars in narcotics and stolen property. That works out to 80 dollars in return on every dollar you spend. [[Can you imagine what this country would be like if Congress worked like that?]]

But look what we're up against. Last year six million American citizens fell victim to violent crime. Six million. Violent crime claimed the lives of over 20,000 Americans. Our streets pose a greater threat to our servicemen and women than did the foes in the Middle East. We deserve better than that. Our children deserve better than that.

In May of 1989, I stood in the rain on the steps of the Capitol with some of the law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line for all of us. Together, we called for Congress to pass our crime package -- legislation designed to protect our cops by giving them the tools they need to get their job done. It was tough legislation. It was fair legislation.\\\

Today, nearly 2 1/2 years later, I stand here in the midst of another group dedicated to fighting crime. Two and 1/2 years have passed, and Congress still has not passed our request. \\

In March, we sent a crime bill to Congress -- a bill designed to make your work less necessary. Our Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act of 1991 will confront the terrifying spiral of lawlessness. It will strengthen our nation's criminal

justice system -- too often unfairly loaded against dedicated law enforcement officials. \\\

Our bill will ensure that convicted felons no longer evade punishment by drowning justice in a sea of legal challenges unrelated to guilt or innocence.

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Americans don't want excuses; they want action. They don't

want timid bills that nibble at the edges of the crime problem.  
They want a tough, comprehensive package. Our people want to  
fight crime. Now. So please, let your representative know: We  
want our members of Congress to be Crimefighters, too.

I'm proud to be with you. You Crimestoppers and our brave law enforcement officials earn our admiration, our respect -- and you and this nation deserve the best, toughest anti-crime package we can produce. No more loopholes. No more rolls of the dice. No more delays. \\\

Listen to these words. "The land is full of bloody crimes. And the city is full of violence." The prophet Ezekiel wrote that over 2,000 years ago. The battle between good and evil still rages. But our Crime Bill -- and your work -- will strengthen the hand of good. \\\

So, once again, congratulations, thank you, and may God bless you all and the nation over which you stand watch.

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(Hinchliffe/Bunton)  
September 24, 1991 11 a.m.  
CRIMES Draft One

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It's an honor to be here with you Crimestoppers -- you're one of the most effective crime-fighting tools we have. Look at you. You're grandparents, kids, businessmen, parents: volunteers reaching into yourselves to find the strength to reach out of yourselves. Each one of you makes a difference. And together, you make America a better, stronger, safer place to live.

And when you link up the 850 programs you have internationally -- you're making this a safer world. I wish you luck as you travel the globe spreading your message -- showing that the individual can take control. You show everyone from the governments to the street hoods that Americans are sick and tired of being threatened in their homes -- of cowering in their fear -- of worrying about their kids and their future. You shown us that there's a cost-effective, responsible, moral solution out there -- and it's in the hands of our people. Americans are this country's finest natural resource. On every level of our lives, we must trust ourselves to come up with new solutions.

Your facts and figures back this up. In the last decade of your channeling anonymous information to the authorities, you've

solved 340,000 felony cases, convicting 96.5% of those arrested. And you've recovered nearly \$2 billion in narcotics and stolen property -- when you factor in the rewards you give, that works out to nearly \$80 in return on every \$1 spent. [[Can you imagine what this country would be like if Congress worked like that?]]

In school we learn the "3Rs". From now on we'll also have to learn the Crimestoppers' lesson -- and that's the "3Ps". To stop crime, we need people to help the police, and we need publicity by the press. Frankly, we must work together like this in order to battle the scourge that threatens our land.

Last year, six million American citizens fell victim to violent crime. Six million. Violent crime claimed the lives of over 20,000 Americans. Look at the statistics and a frightening fact emerges -- our streets posed a greater threat to our own servicemen and women than did the foes in the Middle East. We deserve better than that. Our children deserve better than that. You will show us how to take back our streets. \\

But it's not only the criminals we're up against. In May of 1989, I stood in the rain on the steps of the Capitol with some of the law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line for all of us. Together, we called for Congress to pass our crime package -- legislation designed to protect our cops by giving them the tools they need to get their job done. It was tough legislation. It was fair legislation. \\

Today, nearly 2 1/2 years later, I stand here in the midst of another group dedicated to fighting crime. Two and 1/2 years

have passed, and Congress still has not acted on our request. \\

Earlier this year, the Attorney General and I convened an unprecedented crime summit. We called upon the finest minds in American law enforcement. In March, following the summit and taking into account what we learned there, we sent a crime bill to Congress -- a bill that responds to the frustration and the achievements of people like you -- a bill designed to support you and, in years to come, to make your work less necessary. Our Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act of 1991 will confront the terrifying spiral of lawlessness. It will strengthen our nation's criminal justice system -- too often unfairly loaded against dedicated law enforcement officials. \\

The Act has four major elements, beginning with habeas corpus reform. We will free the courts from frivolous, repetitive delays -- gimmicks and challenges from people who have already exhausted their legal appeals. Our bill will ensure that convicted felons no longer evade punishment by drowning justice in a sea of legal challenges unrelated to guilt or innocence. \\

The second major element is exclusionary rule reform. It is simply intolerable that armed criminals go free when law enforcement officers have collected solid evidence in good faith efforts to follow court guidelines. Our Bill limits the possibility of releasing violent criminals on the basis of legal technicalities -- and allows introduction into evidence of firearms seized from dangerous criminals -- no matter how officers obtain those weapons. \\

Third: more firearm offenses and penalties. In our bill, drug traffickers and violent felons who use semiautomatic weapons face stiff mandatory sentences -- and new federal offenses for firearms theft and smuggling. First time felons caught with firearms will spend 5 years behind bars. No plea bargains. No early release. We will silence the illegal guns that blast away in our streets, in our homes, and around our schools -- by punishing the violent criminals who misuse guns. \\

Our 4th core provision is for the restoration of the federal death penalty. We need an enforceable federal death penalty for the most heinous federal crimes -- the murder of a federal judge -- the terrorist killing of civilians -- the cold-blooded execution of a law enforcement officer or federal witness. We should give juries the option of imposing the death penalty for such depraved crimes. We must send the strongest possible message to those who would commit such crimes. We must tell them that our society will protect itself from violent predators. \\

For more than a decade now, Congress has talked about reinstating the federal death penalty. Now it should act. \\

But, as you know so well, the best way to help victims of crime is to make sure they don't become victims in the first place. So our crime bill strengthens these core proposals with some potent new additions. Our Act includes sections designed to curb terrorism, racial injustice, sexual violence, and juvenile crime. It requires appropriate drug testing as a condition of post-conviction release for federal prisoners. It outlines

protections for witnesses, and for abused kids.

The Bill makes it easier for federal officials to prosecute those who commit acts of sexual violence involving children. It provides for HIV testing of accused sex offenders; and guarantees a victim's right to address the court at sentencing. \\\

The American people are tired of talk. They want action. In March, we asked Congress to pass a crime bill within 100 days. So far, 212 days have passed and neither house has chosen to take up our crime package. The 100 days expired on June 14. But the crime issue did not. America wants real, comprehensive action against crime. America wants it done right. It wants it done now. And so do I. I'm proud to be with you. You Crimestoppers and our brave law enforcement officials earn our admiration, our respect -- and you and this nation deserve the best, toughest anti-crime package we can produce. No more loopholes. No more rolls of the dice. It's time. It's long past time. \\\

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## TELEFAX TRANSMITTAL COVER PAGE

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MESSAGE: Jeannie,

Glad to receive your phone call today regarding information for the President's speech writers and our Twelfth Annual Crime Stoppers International Conference in Louisville, September 28-October 2, 1991. We are, of course, thrilled that President Bush will be with us. and certainly wish to accommodate you in the best ways that we can. I have addressed your requests sort of in a line-item manner, and trust that the information is clear and what you need. Please feel free to call us further today or tomorrow, at this office, or after Thursday afternoon (Sept. 26), at The Galt House in Louisville, 502/589-5200, asking for Tim Kline or me.

Following are four pages of responses to your requests.

## Crime Stoppers International, Inc.

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- I. Statements by Founder Greg MacAleese (Dallas, TX):
  - A. The PHILOSOPHY of Crime Stoppers is the basic philosophy of all law enforcement, as set forth by Sir Robert Peel, who organized the first police force in England:

"The police are the public, and the public are the police."

I embrace this philosophy; it is the standard under which all officers should be judged.

CRIME STOPPERS was designed to amplify the relationship between the public and the police.
  - B. The MISSION of Crime Stoppers is very simple: ~~We believe that for every crime committed, someone other than the offender knows about it. Crime Stoppers' goal is to get that person to pick up the phone, call the police and cooperate.~~ We make it easy, because the caller can remain anonymous -- which greatly reduces any potential for retaliation from the criminal element. We also reward the caller if his/her information has helped us solve a major crime. The reward is our way of saying "Thank You" to a citizen for helping us to solve another crime.
  - C. The IDEOLOGY of Crime Stoppers is: In 1976, I was just trying to solve a case that I was working; I never thought that Crime Stoppers would become such a strong force in policing; but I've been very, very proud of the program's growth, which is a tribute to the dedication and talent of the people who administer the program, at both, the police level and the civilian board level -- and to the tremendous cooperation we receive from the media.

II. CRIME STOPPERS INTERNATIONAL, Inc., is a nonprofit, international organization of citizens, media and law enforcement professionals working together in a proven anti-crime program to:

- \* establish new Crime Stoppers programs worldwide.
- \* improve the quality of existing Crime Stoppers groups.
- \* establish training programs for board members of local organizations and police coordinators.
- \* assist in the marketing and promotion of Crime Stoppers in concept and reality.
- \* serve as a medium for networking, communications, and idea exchange.
- \* decrease crime in every community.

III. The SLOGAN of Crime Stoppers is:

"Crime doesn't pay -- Crime Stoppers does."

IV. The members of Crime Stoppers adopted a resolution in 1989, to increase its resources for use against illicit drugs. (See "Resolution" attached.)

V. More than 850 Crime Stoppers -- board members, law enforcement personnel, and media representatives -- will attend the Twelfth Annual CSI Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, September 28-October 2, 1991. Training will continue to focus on how to start -- and manage -- a Crime Stoppers program; but will also emphasize methods of dealing with terrorism; helping the elderly with crime prevention; and expanding Crime Stoppers into more school systems.

VI. Crime Stoppers' statistics are impressive. Although there are more than 850 programs worldwide, many of them do not send their statistics to the Headquarters office in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In fact, some 200 have never submitted reports. However, of those which do, the dollar recovery of stolen property and narcotics is almost \$2 billion! Through August 1991, statistics compiled were as follows:

Cases Cleared.....	357,035
Dollar Recovery.....	\$1,966,490,968
Defendants Tried.....	63,653
Defendants Convicted.....	61,286
Percentage of Conviction.....	96.6 Percent
Rewards Paid.....	\$24,712,661
Average Reward Per Case Cleared.....	\$69

(I will fax you the new totals as of today's end -- tomorrow.)

VII. Perhaps one of the most heinous and startling cases solved through Crime Stoppers was the murder of Lidna Lee Daniels, a student at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque:

On January 12, 1986, Linda Lee went to the super market for ordinary grocery shopping and returned to her apartment. Three men followed her there and kidnapped her as she got out of her car with the groceries. The sacks of food, her bag and other belongings were found in her very own front yard by her boyfriend. Even though he reported her disappearance right away, detectives could find no clues.

On January 17, 1986, an informant notified Crime Stoppers, via telephone, of the names of two of Linda Lee's abductors. They were arrested January 19, and implicated a third party, who was arrested the following day.

The offenders had taken the young woman -- a blonde, blue-eyed cheerleader for the UNM Lobos -- to a motel room, where they drugged, tortured and raped her, and finally shot her in the head. Her body was found in the mountains 120 miles north of Albuquerque.

Two of the offenders were convicted of homicide, kidnapping and criminal sexual penetration. The third offender was instrumental in convicting the other two offenders and was given immunity.

Albuquerque Metro Crime Stoppers paid the informant \$1,000 as a reward for the information which led to the arrest of the two offenders. (\$1,000 is the maximum reward a Crime Stoppers program will pay, and the information must have led to the arrest.)

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CRIME STOPPERS INTERNATIONAL STATISTICS  
GRAND TOTAL  
September 24, 1991

Cases Cleared.....	373,712
Dollar Recovery (Narcotics & Stolen Property).....	\$1,986,183,242
Avg. Amt. Rec. Per Case Clrd.....	\$5,314
Defendants Tried.....	63,981
Defendants Convicted.....	61,607
Rate of Conviction.....	96 Percent
Rewards Paid.....	\$25,229,137
Avg. Reward Per Case Cleared.....	\$67
Programs Reporting.....	660

-- Just \$13,816,758 away from \$2 Billion Recovered! --

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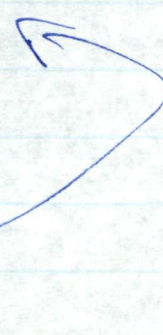
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Sara Mumford → Dir Sessions special assistant  
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March 16, 1991  
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS!

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Jeanie,

Called back Judiciary Committee  
(Capitol Switchboard) 224-3121.

Woman unsure of old crime  
bill's status. New one (# 3371)  
is still being formed. - No summaries  
or anything - bill over 200 pgs long.

Marie McGore will try to  
get back to you tomorrow to

answer any questions you  
might have about either. Woman

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# CRIME STOPPERS →

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Crime Stoppers Int'l Annual Conference

Louisville, Ky

10/2/91 (WEDNESDAY)

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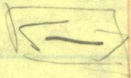
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JEANN METZGER (CRIME)

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lack of funding as one of their three biggest problems, whereas three of the five cities with the highest crime rates (which had more police per capita than those with the lowest crime rates) did.

All of the cities cited the courts as a major obstacle to effective crime control, both for handing out lenient penalties and for inadequate follow-up on arrests. Only the cities with higher crime rates cited inadequate funding for courts (and police) as one of their three most important obstacles to controlling crime.

How much should cities spend on police? The figures suggest many cities could spend less than they have been spending. Police officers are essential for responding to calls and obtaining information on crimes, but crime prevention doesn't follow merely from hiring more police or paying them better salaries. Beyond the tiny enclaves for the rich, cities with more police relative to population have more reported crime, not less; cities with more police are better able to catalog the crimes. In the largest cities, for many crime categories the police do no more than take down the information—e.g., auto thefts in New York City.

Standards for reporting crime data vary from city to city and from year to year. Homicide data are doubtless the most accurate. But murders are infrequent and tend to be domestic crimes, which are not widely feared because most people do not expect someone they know to kill them. Robberies (muggings) are of more interest because they are more common, tend to victimize strangers and are therefore frightening for people who walk the city streets or travel on public transportation. Robbery is

also the crime most likely to result in a killing. Robbery data appear to be more consistent and reliable than data on property crimes, which do not involve threats to life (larceny, burglary, auto theft). Robberies can be more clearly categorized than, for example, larcenies, and are less dependent on differences in reporting practices in different cities than, for example, assaults. Property crime rates may reflect different degrees of under-reporting, depending on the type of crime. More populous cities, which tend to have higher robbery rates, have lower property crime rates than smaller cities. There is a close and significant relationship among city density, migration rates and robbery. Of the three property crime rates, the rate for auto theft, which is closely watched by insurance companies, is found to be most consistent with other city data. We know of only two cities of the largest 100—St. Louis and Washington, D.C.—that have had independent audits of crime-reporting practices.

Interpreting measures produced by inadequately standardized data is difficult. Since Chicago is known to have decentralized, nonstandardized crime-reporting practices, the overall change in its crime rate from year to year may not be significant. We therefore put greater weight on robbery and homicide figures, which are less subject to arbitrary judgments than are property crime figures. We conclude that Virginia Beach and Huntington Beach—along with Lincoln; Yonkers; and Columbus, Georgia—had the lowest crime rates in 1981. Cities with the largest decrease in crime rates were Chattanooga and Honolulu.

## 182. Total "Index" Crimes

Information on total index crimes is taken from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Uniform Crime Reports (UCR). The information has been collected since 1930, based on standards set between 1927 and 1929 by the Committee on Uniform Crime Records of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Index (or "Part I") crimes cover seven varieties of criminal activity. Four are violent personal crimes: homicide, rape, robbery and assault. Three are nonviolent property crimes: burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft. Recently the FBI has started to add arson to the list of index property crimes, but the FBI says that data so far are inadequate to justify using them for totals.

The highest overall crime rate in 1981 was in Miami with over 15 crimes per 100 residents. The crime problem continued into 1982. This compares with a national average of 5.8 crimes per 100 and an average for all urban areas (standard metropolitan statistical areas, of SMSAs) of 6.6 crimes per 100. Cities outside of urban areas have an average of 5.2 crimes per 100. Rural areas have an average of only 2.2 crimes per 100. It is still true in 1981 that cities have more crimes than rural areas. That's a price city dwellers pay.

None of the cities can compete with the rural crime rate average. Even the lowest-ranked—Columbus, Georgia—had a crime rate in 1981 of 5.2 per 100, more

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SOURCES: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), *Crime in the U.S. 1981: Uniform Crime Report* (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 1982). Arthur Carol, *City Crime* (New York: Council on Municipal Performance, Municipal Performance Report 1, 1973), pp. 7-8.

Rank	City	Crimes	Crimes Per 100 Population
1	Miami	52,911	15.25
2	Tampa	40,856	15.05
3	Flint	23,649	14.82
4	Atlanta	60,569	14.25
4	Boston	79,643	14.15
6	St. Louis	62,654	13.83
7	Portland, Ore.	50,432	13.76
8	Sacramento	36,681	13.30
9	Dayton	27,053	13.29
10	Oakland	44,679	13.17
11	Salt Lake City	20,850	12.79
12	Dallas	111,585	12.34
13	Denver	60,417	12.29
14	Birmingham	34,249	12.04
15	Detroit	143,107	11.89
16	Little Rock	18,781	11.85
17	Baton Rouge	25,917	11.81
18	Kansas City, Mo.	51,005	11.38
19	Rochester	27,291	11.29
19	Seattle	55,764	11.29
21	Richmond	24,766	11.28
22	Fresno	24,581	11.27
22	Tucson	37,241	11.27
24	Kansas City, Kan.	18,123	11.25
25	Omaha	34,351	11.02
26	Mobile	21,998	10.97
27	Minneapolis	40,111	10.81
28	Las Vegas	43,374	10.66
29	Washington, D.C.	67,910	10.65
30	Cleveland	60,721	10.58
30	San Francisco	71,812	10.58
32	Des Moines	19,974	10.46
33	Phoenix	81,384	10.31
34	New York	725,846	10.27
35	Los Angeles	304,101	10.25
36	Tacoma	16,193	10.22
37	Santa Ana	20,712	10.17
38	Providence	15,548	9.92
39	Baltimore	77,563	9.86
40	Toledo	34,091	9.61

Rank	City	Crimes	Crimes Per 100 Population
41	Cincinnati	36,814	9.55
41	Columbus, Ohio	36,814	9.55
43	Charlotte	29,646	9.43
44	Grand Rapids	17,049	9.38
45	New Orleans	52,158	9.36
46	Albuquerque	30,614	9.23
47	Jackson	18,585	9.16
47	Spokane	15,698	9.16
49	Corpus Christi	21,216	9.14
50	Wichita	25,383	9.09
51	Riverside	15,361	8.99
52	Austin	30,867	8.93
52	Long Beach	32,280	8.93
54	Jersey City	19,926	8.91
55	Lubbock	15,418	8.86
56	St. Petersburg	20,894	8.82
57	Colorado Springs	18,836	8.75
58	Madison	14,898	8.73
59	Oklahoma City	35,128	8.71
60	San Jose	54,154	8.51
61	Syracuse	14,445	8.49
62	St. Paul	22,799	8.44
63	Tulsa	30,260	8.38
64	Jacksonville	45,070	8.33
65	Lexington-Fayette	16,836	8.25
65	Memphis	53,325	8.25
67	Chattanooga	13,555	7.99
68	Anchorage	13,731	7.94
69	San Antonio	62,035	7.90
70	Shreveport	16,030	7.79
71	Norfolk	20,769	7.78
72	Akron	18,424	7.77
73	Anaheim	17,201	7.75
74	Greensboro	12,018	7.72
75	Fort Wayne	13,112	7.61
76	Fort Worth	29,275	7.60
77	San Diego	66,122	7.55
78	Aurora	11,903	7.51
78	Warren	12,094	7.51
80	Pittsburgh	31,384	7.40
81	Nashville-Davidson	33,604	7.37
82	Indianapolis	33,898	7.34
83	Arlington, Texas	11,541	7.21
84	Louisville	21,124	7.08
85	Milwaukee	44,775	7.04
86	El Paso	29,275	6.88
87	Knoxville	12,527	6.84
88	Montgomery	11,512	6.46
89	Honolulu	49,548	6.41
90	Lincoln	10,601	6.17
91	Philadelphia	100,592	5.96
92	Virginia Beach	15,337	5.85
93	Chicago	173,316	5.77
94	Yonkers	11,219	5.74
95	Huntington Beach	9,369	5.49
96	Columbus, Ga.	8,776	5.18

ABI folder for numbers

(Hinchliffe/Bunton)  
September 24, 1991 3 p.m.  
CRIMES Draft Two

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CRIMESTOPPERS INTERNATIONAL  
Wednesday, October 2, 1991  
Louisville, Kentucky**

I'm delighted to join in the 15th anniversary of your founding. I note that the day after tomorrow is the 60th birthday of this nation's pre-eminent Crimestopper -- is it true you've gathered here to throw a birthday party for Dick Tracy? \\

You know, in school we learn the "Three Rs". From now on we'll also have to learn the Crimestoppers' lesson -- the "**Three Ps**". To stop crime, we need **People** to help the **Police**, and we need publicity by the **Press**. Frankly, we must work together like this in order to battle the scourge that threatens our land.

It's an honor to be here with you Crimestoppers -- you're one of the most effective crime-fighting tools we have. Look at you. You're grandparents, kids, businessmen, parents: volunteers who make a difference. And together, you make America a better, stronger, safer place to live. Indeed, through your 850 international programs, you make the **world** a safer place to live.

You show everyone from the governments to the street hoods that Americans are sick and tired of being threatened in their homes -- of cowering in fear -- of worrying about their kids and their future. You show us there's a cost-effective, responsible, **moral** action out there that anyone can take. Americans are this country's finest natural resource. On every level of our lives, we must trust **ourselves** to come up with new solutions.

Your facts and figures back this up. In the last decade of

your channeling anonymous tips to the authorities, you've contributed information that's led to the solving of 340,000 felonies. 96.5% of those arrested through your tips are convicted. Due to your information nearly \$2 billion in narcotics and stolen property has been recovered: when you factor in rewards, that works out to nearly \$80 in return on every \$1 spent. [[Can you imagine what this country would be like if Congress worked like that?]]

But look what we're up against. Last year six million American citizens fell victim to violent crime. Six million. Violent crime claimed the lives of over 20,000 Americans. Our streets pose a greater threat to our servicemen and women than did the foes in the Middle East. We deserve better than that. Our children deserve better than that. We will take back our streets.

In May of 1989, I stood in the rain on the steps of the Capitol with some of the law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line for all of us. Together, we called for Congress to pass our crime package -- legislation designed to protect our cops by giving them the tools they need to get their job done. It was tough legislation. It was fair legislation.\\\

Today, nearly 2 1/2 years later, I stand here in the midst of another group dedicated to fighting crime. Two and 1/2 years have passed, and Congress still has not acted on our request. \\

In March, we sent a crime bill to Congress -- a bill that responds to the frustration and the achievements of people like you -- a bill designed to make your work less necessary. Our Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act of 1991 will confront the

terrifying spiral of lawlessness. It will strengthen our nation's criminal justice system -- too often unfairly loaded against dedicated law enforcement officials. \\

The Act has four major elements, beginning with habeas corpus reform. Our bill will ensure that convicted felons no longer evade punishment by drowning justice in a sea of legal challenges unrelated to guilt or innocence. Second: exclusionary rule reform. Our Bill limits the chance of violent criminals being released on the basis of legal technicalities -- and allows introduction into evidence of firearms seized from dangerous criminals, no matter how officers obtain them.

Next, in our bill drug traffickers and violent felons who use semiautomatic weapons face stiff mandatory sentences -- and new federal offenses for firearms theft and smuggling. No plea bargains. No early release. We will silence the illegal guns that blast away in our streets, in our homes, and around our schools -- by punishing the violent criminals who misuse guns.\\

And we need an enforceable federal death penalty for the most heinous federal crimes -- the murder of a federal judge -- the terrorist killing of civilians -- the cold-blooded execution of a law enforcement officer or federal witness. We must send the strongest possible message: our society will protect itself. For more than a decade now, Congress has talked about reinstating the federal death penalty. Now it should act.\\

The American people want action. In March, we asked Congress to pass a crime bill within 100 days. So far, 212 days

have passed and neither house has passed our crime package. The 100 days expired on June 14. But the crime issue did not.

America wants real, comprehensive action against crime. America wants it done right. It wants it done now. And so do I. I'm proud to be with you. You Crimestoppers and our brave law enforcement officials earn our admiration, our respect -- and you and this nation deserve the best, toughest anti-crime package we can produce. No more loopholes. No more rolls of the dice. It's time. It's long past time. \\\

Listen to these words. "The land is full of bloody crimes. And the city is full of violence." The prophet Ezekiel wrote that over 2,000 years ago. The battle between good and evil still rages. But our Crime Bill -- and your work -- will strengthen the hand of good. \\\

So, once again, congratulations, thank you, and may God bless you all and the nation over which you stand watch.

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September 23, 1991

TO: (i dream of ...) JEANIE  
FROM: QOG  
SUBJECT: JEANIE & QOG -- GIRL CRIME STOPPERS!!!!

Hi! (QOG, by the way, stands for "Queen of Goop" -- my hard-earned nickname around here.)

Well, this is OUR FIRST official MEMO. (Alert the media...)

Just some thoughts on stopping crime ...

The number Jen gave was (800) 245-0009 (Crime Stoppers Int'l., ask for either Corky Kale or Tim Kline).

1. Is there a written philosophy behind the group? Or quotes by the founder, good statements about purpose, ideology, etc.
2. Does this year's conference have a specific theme?
3. Can they provide you with a particularly good anecdote -- e.g. a clue that helped track a murder suspect. If so, can you get some basic facts about the case, so we can set it up in a narrative way. (Tim sent some to Jen -- not what I was hoping for -- they were too brief, not detailed enough, and not dramatic enough.)
4. Maybe you could call Ann Underhill [(502) 585-6256] and see if you could get any inside information about Louisville, for the President's introduction and jokes -- e.g. big events in town during the year (is this near Kentucky Derby?); jokes about the place where it's being held; inside jokes on the conference, leaders, etc. *- fax number*

Thanks!

CRIME STOPPERS INT'L  
Vassine Chamber  
(502-566-5000)  
(502-584-2121)

11:35 am

Ann Underhill (502) 585-6256 (fax)

INSIDE INFO ON LOUISVILLE

- 1 is faxing Philo and quotes etc. . . .
- 2 no theme (no training theme) *training conference*  
emphasis just work w/ join fight/war on drugs  
summary of aims of the yrs. training  
some emphasis terrorism  
crime prevention 4 entire family  
crime stoppers in the schools  
future direction

- (1 person can get 15 hrs. training)
- bd mbrs. (MIS)
- crime coordinators from state patrol / local police
- sponsors, guests
- media

3 pronged approach (citizens, media, law enforcement)

no motto or slogan

~ 850 attending

caller magazine: local bd. mbrs. plan conf (all volunteer)  
(marked increase in crimes solved)

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(Mr. George Underhill) - conf. coord. - 502-581-8800  
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**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the illegal distribution and increased use of drugs has reached epidemic proportions throughout the world;

AND WHEREAS, illicit drug use is responsible for a dramatic increase in crime, as well as major health problems and death for countless thousands of people;

**BE IT RESOLVED:**

Crime Stoppers International, at its Tenth Annual Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 18, 1989, voted to:

Unanimously support the efforts of law enforcement agencies throughout the world in their efforts to combat illicit narcotics activities;

And also to support the comprehensive effort of everyone who is committed to reducing the illicit demand for narcotics through treatment and educational programs.

Approved September 18, 1989  
by the Membership of  
Crime Stoppers International