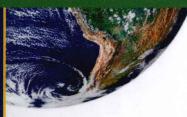


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This book is dedicated to my parents, James and Christa Albrecht, who ensured that I knew the difference between right and wrong and who recognized the benefits of a university education.

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This book is dedicated to my wife, Dr. Ana Mijovic-Das, MD, and daughter, Mintie, who have both been supportive and patient as I have pursued my professional projects.

Dilip K. Das

#### **Foreword**

The comparative approach to learning is generally felt to be of a higher cognitive level and to provide the opportunity to "search for order." A comparative view of foreign justice systems therefore provides an opportunity for students to better assess and put into perspective the role and functions of their own justice system, and it allows us to look for the common properties of these systems. Furthermore, any study of a venue's policing system will also, by extension, permit one to study that venue's human rights position; each government uses its police system to enforce its rule of law—however democratic or autocratic it might be.

As one who has instructed upper-division comparative criminal justice system courses for many years, and conducted national surveys concerning such courses (subsequently publishing the findings in the *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*), I am very enthusiastic about the publication of this most needed book—and, frankly, cannot wait to obtain my copy and put it to good use in my comparative criminal justice course offerings.

Crime is an international problem, and human rights an international concern. There has come to pass a globalization of life, in general, and of crime, in particular. Crime easily transcends national borders; the fruits of those crimes are likewise dispatched with ease across geographical boundaries, to be laundered and used for the furtherance of criminal enterprises. Crime and social justice issues are clearly transcontinental, and thus it is very important to understand the structure and function of international policing systems.

This book examines most, if not all, of the prevailing social issues that encircle and engulf our world, and I am particularly struck by the breadth, depth, and contemporaneous nature of the chapters contained herein. Those chapters include, but are not limited to, crime prevention, information systems and technology, trafficking of human beings, policing reform, community policing of crime and disorder, crime in the schools, HIV and AIDS in Africa, intelligence-led policing, the rule of law, ethical dilemmas, and the promoting of accountability, policing terrorism, and crimes involving juvenile victims.

Additionally, the book is divided nicely into six disparate parts; doing so serves to organize the contents very appropriately and conveniently for

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the reader. It is doubtful that one could find two individuals who are better suited to serve as coeditors for an international policing tour de force such as this, and I am proud to say I have been professionally associated with both "Jimmy" Albrecht and Dilip Das for more than 15 years. They are widely traveled, and each possesses an enviable level of academic and police practitioner/administrative experience.

Jimmy Albrecht is a 20-year veteran of the New York City Police Department, retiring as captain and possessing two bachelor's and numerous master's degrees in fields in which he studied international affairs and criminal justice. He is also highly experienced as an academician, having received a prestigious Fulbright Fellowship, instructed at the National Police College of Finland, and lectured in China, Taiwan, Russia, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Estonia, Finland, Italy, Kosovo, Macedonia, and Canada. He serves as a consultant to the United Nations, the European Union, and the U.S. government.

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In sum, while other books may look at international policing systems and focus on their history, forms of government, or responses to different forms of crime, and/or only examine policing in a handful of venues, none that I am aware of fills the gap, as this one does, in looking at international policing in terms of crime problems and issues against a backdrop of professionalism, effectiveness, and leadership. I wholeheartedly recommend this book to your own "must-read" list, whether a faculty member, criminal justice practitioner, or an aspiring student of the field.

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#### **Preface**

This book consists of thoroughly revised, fully updated, and meticulously edited papers that were presented at the *Thirteenth Annual Meeting of International Police Executive Symposium*, IPES, www.IPES.info, in Prague, the Czech Republic. A few papers that were considered for publication in *Police Practice and Research: An International Journal* (PPR), the official journal of the IPES, have also been included in this book because, during the peer-review process, these were found to be more suitable as book chapters. Moreover, the topics of these papers were compatible with the theme of the IPES Prague book.

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#### Introduction

As the world moved quietly into the twenty-first century, the role of technology in the quest to reduce and prevent crime was made obvious as crime mapping and "hot-spot" deployment replaced community policing as the primary crime-fighting initiative. Along with other factors, such as demographic shifts and economic stability, strategic deployment of law enforcement personnel has led to dramatic reductions in crime rate, not only in the United States, but also in other democracies. However, less than two years into the new millennium, society was faced with a larger dilemma as the atrocious terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001, brought a new priority to the attention of police administrators and government leaders across the globe. Subsequent attacks in Spain, Bali, Russia, and London made it clear that terrorism perpetrated by international subversive fanatical groups would sway both attention and funding from traditional law enforcement to domestic security issues and critical incident response. Complicating these initiatives is that legislative efforts to thwart future attacks and enhance investigative endeavors by law enforcement and military personnel have come under recurring scrutiny. Regardless of these events, the predominant responsibilities of police executives across the globe remain the prevention of crime and the maintenance of public safety and sense of security, often with decreased budgets and diminishing personnel.

In an effort to address these issues, the International Police Executive Symposium (IPES) coordinates annual international conferences to evaluate critical issues and recommend practical solutions to law enforcement executives deployed across the globe. One of these conferences was hosted by the government of the Czech Republic in late 2005. Every IPES summit witnesses the assembly of recognized police executives and acknowledged criminal justice academics from all ends of the world in an attempt to guide the law enforcement profession more effectively into the new millennium. It has been acknowledged that international terrorism and transnational organized crime have compounded and complicated the traditional law enforcement mission, and only a global cooperative response will have a notable and effective outcome.

This IPES conference in 2005 was attended by over 100 renowned criminal justice and law enforcement professionals dedicated to the accomplishment of this important objective—continued reduction in crime by engaging

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in both local and global response. Over 60 comprehensive presentations were made with accompanying distribution of detailed reports to all participants for potential incorporation into their respective regional policing practices. While intelligence-led policing has resulted in diminished crime, it is believed that this exchange of effective crime-fighting principles and tried and proven best practices (and, additionally, the evaluation of failed efforts) will enhance contemporary law enforcement endeavors and educate academics and students to better comprehend the challenges faced by today's policing leaders.

A number of central themes were developed during the IPES conference and have become the core issues addressed in this book titled *Effective Crime Reduction Strategies: International Perspectives.* These predominant topics include

Part I: Critical Issues in European Law Enforcement

Part II: Contemporary Concerns: Policing in the United States and Canada

Part III: Paradigm Shifts: Policing as Democracy Evolves

Part IV: Revising Traditional Law Enforcement in Asia to Meet Contemporary Demands

Part V: The Positive Influence of Unionization on Police Professionalism Part VI: Significant Issues Facing Twenty-First Century Law Enforcement

Of the dozens of papers available for this book, only 28 were selected as those that would provide the reader with the most detailed and relevant insight into the concerns of contemporary law enforcement executives from both a local and an international perspective, and guide them effectively into the twenty-first century. All chapters have been revised to highlight contemporary literature, research, and data. Please take the time to peruse the Table of Contents and note the significant and current nature of the authors' works.

In Part I, Critical Issues in European Law Enforcement, the authors have portrayed their thorough analysis of efforts to improve police services in Hungary, Austria, and Norway as ideological perspectives have evolved, and the quest to stabilize crime, disorder, terrorist threats, and transnational influences within the European Union has been addressed. Each nation highlighted has been forced to revise their policies and organizational structures to meet the demands of developing events and political pressures.

In Part II, Contemporary Concerns: Policing in the United States and Canada, analyses of the impact of international terrorism and transnational crime on the law enforcement and investigatory practices in North America have been conducted by renowned academics who have been provided

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considerable insight into these issues by police administrators affected by these significant global justice concerns. The most critical issues facing today's law enforcement executives are addressed in detail.

In Part III, Paradigm Shifts: Policing as Democracy Evolves, the authors have undertaken an evaluation of revised law enforcement and justice endeavors that have transpired across the globe with specific examples involving South Africa, Brazil, Argentina, Nigeria, and Cameroon, as recent efforts to institute democratic reforms have been undertaken. These successes (and failures) will be of utmost interest to government officials, justice administrators, and academics across the globe who are undertaking or have been considering similar political, ideological, and administrative reformations to ensure that a proper and contemporary democracy can develop.

In Part IV, Revising Traditional Law Enforcement in Asia to Meet Contemporary Demands, noted academics and ranking law enforcement practitioners in New Zealand, Turkey, Indonesia, and Thailand attempt to apply the contemporary issues of counterterrorism, cultural ideology, and transnational criminal influence to the traditional nature of policing in the eastern regions of the world, thereby providing the reader with a frontline perspective into these modern law enforcement concerns, and the revisions to practices, policies, and resource allocation that have resulted.

In Part V, The Positive Influence of Unionization on Police Professionalism, respected practitioners and scholars have evaluated the progress attained within law enforcement agencies once unions were formed and police associations were permitted influence on management decision-making and policy development. The traditional belief was that unions would hamper progress; yet examples from the United States, Canada, New Zealand, and South Africa will reveal that professionalism actually was enhanced by union participation and input.

In Part VI, Significant Issues Facing Twenty-First Century Law Enforcement, the predominant and contemporary concerns of law enforcement executives that involve counterterrorism, border and transnational criminality, the measurement of police effectiveness, and the investigation of juvenile crime by law enforcement investigators are addressed by noted scholars. The threat of international terrorism and transnational crime, the public perception of the measurement of law enforcement agency efficacy, and victimological investigation of child abuse are clearly matters that confront police administrators in the twenty-first century.

This book has been designed to address the contemporary needs of law enforcement leaders and the interests of criminal justice scholars across the globe by providing insight into critical topics at the core of regional and transnational crime reduction endeavors, and efforts to improve the professionalism, integrity, and effectiveness of criminal justice and policing agencies across the world. It clearly addresses a plethora of policing and

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justice issues ranging from traditional crime fighting, counterterrorism, leadership, measurement of agency efficacy, transnational organized crime eradication, homeland security, integrity control, respect for democratic ideals, and enhanced effectiveness and efficiency in an era of budgetary restraints.

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