In early 2012, the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) will begin conducting the Survey of Campus Law Enforcement Agencies. This data collection includes 1,600 campuses and is the only national effort to collect data on the personnel, functions, budgets, policies, and programs of campus police and security agencies. I am asking for your help in providing information for your agency as part of this important national survey.

The goal of the survey is to generate accurate and reliable national statistics about the police and security agencies serving college and university campuses in the United States. BJS last conducted the survey in 2005. Your agency may have completed the 2005 survey and if so, we sincerely thank you for your participation at that time and we ask that you continue to contribute to this effort by completing the current survey. ICF, an international research organization headquartered in Fairfax, Virginia, is carrying out the data collection effort on behalf of BJS.

Upon completion of this collection, BJS will publish the summary findings in a report. We also plan to provide a data analysis tool in which agencies can make customized comparisons. The report and data analysis tool will be available on the BJS web site at www.bjs.gov. You can also find previously published BJS reports on campus law enforcement there. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Dr. Brian Reaves, Statistician, at (202) 616-3287 or brian.reaves@usdoj.gov. I thank you in advance for your cooperation and participation.

Sincerely,

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