

Publications of Interest From NIJ

Digital Evidence in the Courtroom: A Guide for Law Enforcement and Prosecutors January 2007

Law enforcement may discover critical evidence on a suspect's computer, such as e-mails, browser history, and financial or personal information related to a crime. This *Special Report* offers guidelines on how to properly collect and handle digital evidence, and explains how this evidence should be prepared and presented to a jury. It also applies these techniques in a "real world" example of a child pornography case. This publication is available at www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/211314.pdf.

Asian Transnational Organized Crime and Its Impact on the United States January 2007

This *Special Report* discusses a study that preliminarily assessed the impact of Asian transnational organized crime on the United States and U.S. interests. The study also determined high-priority areas for further research and identified potential research partners and additional sources of information in Asia. This publication is available at www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/214186.pdf.

Investigations Involving the Internet and Computer Networks January 2007

Criminals use the Internet for many reasons, including trading or sharing information (e.g., documents, photographs), concealing their identity, and gathering information on victims. This *Special Report* is a resource guide for investigators of high-technology crimes. It covers cases involving the Internet, e-mail, instant messaging services, chat rooms, file sharing networks, bulletin and message boards, and the legal issues associated with collecting evidence. This publication is available at www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/210798.pdf.

NIJ 2005 Annual Report December 2006

In today's world, offenders are more technologically savvy, and the law enforcement community must have access to the

latest information and tools. The relationships among Federal, State, and local law enforcement, and between researchers and practitioners, also play a key role in combating and preventing crime. NIJ's *2005 Annual Report* discusses its recent contributions—in forensics, policing and corrections, victimization, and international crime—centering on these two principles. This publication is available at www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/213267.pdf.

Agroterrorism—Why We're Not Ready: A Look at the Role of Law Enforcement December 2006

Currently, law enforcement, especially agencies in rural areas, is financially and strategically unprepared to respond to an agroterrorism attack. This *Research for Policy* considers what would happen if the American cattle industry were exposed to foot-and-mouth disease, an event that would require slaughtering millions of animals and could cost the United States up to \$60 billion. The publication outlines why law enforcement is not ready for such an attack and offers guidance on prevention and preparation. This publication is available at www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/214752.pdf.

