

PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2008 International Conference for Police and Law Enforcement Executives. I would also like to welcome all of the international delegates who have travelled to Montreal to take part in this event.

Those who work in law enforcement shoulder great responsibilities. Their jobs are made even more challenging by the ever-increasing levels of sophistication in criminal activities both here in Canada and throughout the world. With this in mind, the knowledge and extensive experience of our senior law enforcement officials become even more important as they work to further advance police services, and ensure the safety and security of their communities.

With a list of over 30 speakers and panellists from eight countries, including Canada, this year's conference offers valuable insight into the issues affecting law enforcement and strengthens global networking opportunities. I am certain that you will enjoy this chance to meet with Canadian and international colleagues to share your expertise, best practices and lessons learned. This event provides a wonderful forum for career development, and I know that you will come away equipped with new information on how to effectively manage the dynamic and challenging environment of policing in the 21st century.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I wish you all a pleasant and productive meeting.

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