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Chairman's Foreword

The ICPRA Executive Committee welcomes readers to this edition of our e-newsletter publication.

Included in this and other editions are articles that, while often reporting on jurisdiction-specific developments, have relevance across jurisdictions and to our increasingly universal policing environment. That is an environment which is increasingly subject to reform, cost cutting and political influence.

Of significant note this quarter is the retirement of our General Secretary, Dale Kinnear. Dale is a long time employee of the Canadian Police Association, where he was seconded after a long career with the Ontario Provincial Police and as an elected representative on the Ontario Provincial Police Association. Among his considerable list of achievements was to successfully bring about the introduction of semi automatic handguns to replace .38 calibre pistols in the Ontario Provincial Police. He also served on numerous Canadian National Bodies, ranging from equipment standards to futures groups.

Dale is the type of person every organisation needs: loyal, capable and pragmatic.

The Canadians can lay claim to parentage of the modern day ICPRA through establishing our predecessor, the International Law Enforcement Council (ILEC). The inaugural and 2nd meetings of ILEC were held in Ottawa in 1996 and 1998. Dale was the driving and organising force behind both meetings, making him the longest sitting member of our international body. He was appointed the inaugural formal secretary of ILEC in Scotland in 2004, in recognition of his innate understanding of the international policing representative environment, and has held that role since.

That he has been able to exert considerable influence over the growth and direction of ICPRA, despite changes in personnel above him in the CPA and while also performing national duties within Canada, is testament to his commitment and political astuteness. Dale can go into a well-earned retirement knowing his efforts have resulted in what started as an idea to give police officers an international voice, growing into a truly international organisation representing over one million police officers world wide.

We will have the opportunity to formally recognise Dale's efforts at ICPRA's biennial meeting in Copenhagen next year. In the meantime, on behalf not only of the ICPRA Executive Committee, but also the police officers who will benefit in years to come from having the international policing voice the organisation will provide, I wish Dale and Joy a long and prosperous retirement.

Greg O'Connor Chairman

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Claus Redder Madsen, Union Secretary – The Nordic Police Union, The Police Union in Denmark

On behalf of the Police Union in Denmark and ICPRA Executive Committee, we would like to remind you about the invitation to the ICPRA Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark on 26 – 28 May 2010. The invitation was forwarded to ICPRA in October and the conference will be held at Hotel Copenhagen Island - www.copenhagenisland.com/

Conference agenda will be forwarded at a later date.

Each affiliate organisation is entitled to have 2 delegates at the Council table for the ICPRA meeting discussions. You are welcome to send additional members. Additional delegates will be accommodated in the meeting room and the Chairman will afford them an opportunity to participate in discussions.

The Police Union in Denmark would like to remind to register to the Conference because we need to know how many delegates each organisation will be sending to Copenhagen.

Should you need assistance with accommodation reservation or other requirements please contact Elena Meyer: es@politiforbundet.dk or Claus Redder Madsen: crm@politiforbundet.dk

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On behalf of the ICPRA Chairman and Secretariat, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year and we look forward to working with you again in 2010.

