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# **Harnessing Privacy and Security for Public Safety**

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**“Privacy and Security: Synergies in an E-society”**

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## About the CACP

- dedicated to efficient law enforcement since 1905
- voice of Canadian police leaders
- represents more than 90% of Canadian police
- synergy from membership of municipal, regional, provincial, federal, Aboriginal police services
- local, regional, national and international impact

“leading progressive change in policing”



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## CACP Committees

- Law Amendments
- **Prevention of Crime in Industry**
- Police Information and Statistics
- **Informatics**
- Policing with Aboriginal Peoples
- **Electronic Crime**
- Crime Prevention
- Organized Crime
- Human Resources
- Drug Abuse
- Traffic
- National Police Services



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## Police interest in privacy and security

- privacy may compromise security  
security may compromise privacy
- privacy may lose out to security  
security may be trumped by privacy
- privacy is essential to security  
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privacy ↔ security



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**Police mission is safety and security**





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## Security reinforces privacy

- legislation – codes of conduct – ethical standards
- technology
  - security to informants, victims
  - protections to young persons
  - collect, organize information for rapid response
  - provides mechanics of control of privacy

Privacy + security + technology = synergy



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## Policy framework to govern privacy and security

- Canadian police moving towards “integrated policing” → operational, tactical, strategic
- information shared widely, among police and others, within and outside national borders
- risk to privacy and security of our citizens
- **who is accountable?**
- need legislation – policy – operational protocols



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## Privacy reinforces security

- privacy and anonymity may equate to safety
  - tips to police, other enforcement and security, and service agencies
  - formal programs such as CrimeStoppers
  - research conducted in line with ethical practices

collective and individual safety and security



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## Finding the synergies

Privacy + security + technology = synergy

- BC PRIME

- links police departments' information
- commitment by government to support police
- objective is improved public safety

☀ benefits

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community engagement



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## Moving forward...

- complex relationship between privacy and security
- technology brings energy to the relationship
- synergies
  - benefit law enforcement processes, justice system, community safety and security
- our challenge: exploit synergies, seek new ones, engage citizens in discussions

lead progressive change