



Report Recommendations

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In January 2008, the Canadian Association of Police Boards (CAPB) commissioned a survey to determine the magnitude and impact of cyber crime on Canadians.

The survey suggested a number of recommendations to address cyber crime activities — now considered the most significant challenge facing law enforcement in Canada.

A **priority recommendation is the establishment of a dedicated centre** where law enforcement, government, the private sector and academia can co-ordinate the fight against cyber crime.

Other key recommendations of the CAPB *Cyber Crime in Canada* survey:

- The implementation of the **legislation as proposed in August 2002** with respect to the lawful access provisions of the criminal code.
- **Changes to existing legislation** that would enable information sharing with law enforcement with lower judicial standards than those now applied to search and seizure warrants.
- **Changes to the Canada Evidence Act** that would improve on the existing Mutual Legal Assistance treaty's ability to enable the admission of documents held in the normal course of business in another country.
- **Increased resourcing and funding** for law enforcement and crown prosecutors related to cyber crime investigations and prosecutions.
- **The need for a central mechanism** for the mandatory reporting of designated cyber security incidents to enable quantification of the potential damage to the Canadian economy.
- **New legislation** making spamming an offence and the adoption of recommendations made by the Spam Task Force in 2005.
- **Mandatory reporting** requirements for child pornography.
- **Increased cyber crime awareness and prevention programs** should be introduced into school curriculums as part of educating children on the issues of cyber crime.

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