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FROM THE EDITOR

This is the last newsletter of the year 2001 and it gives me great pleasure to fill you in on the achievement of various goals set at the 2000 Annual General Meeting, namely the establishment of a criminology standards generating body (SGB) and the electronic publication of both the *Acta Criminologica* journal and the *CRIMSA newsletter*. Read more

about the progress made towards reaching these goals.

At the outset I would like to convey my thanks to those members who contributed towards the establishment of a more professional society throughout the year. The current, 2002, membership categories and criteria of CRIMSA are

under review for 2003. Members are invited to comment on the proposed new categories as set out on page 6.

Please contact me with regard to the proposed new categories and contributions on preliminary research findings, newsworthy items, letters and personalia for inclusion in the following newsletter. Contributions should not exceed 500 words. Name, full address/e-mail address and telephone number should accompany all letters and material submitted for publication.

All correspondence related to the newsletter should be addressed to:

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I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Alice Maree

A FESTIVE SEASON MESSAGE

The end of the year signals the beginning of the festive season. For most of us this means taking a break from work and spending quality time with our loved ones at home or at some holiday destination. Whatever your situation may be, the Executive Committee of CRIMSA would like to wish you a restful, safe and crime-free festive season. We also wish you a happy and prosperous new year.

David Kgosimore
President of CRIMSA

ESTABLISHMENT OF A CRIMINOLOGY STANDARDS GENERATING BODY (SGB)

Beaty Naudé

CRIMSA's application to establish a Criminology Standards Generating Body (SGB) has been submitted to the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) for consideration by the members of the NSB 08: Law, Military Science and Security on 15 October 2001. It takes approximately sixty days to register a SGB and the appointment of the SGB members are subject to approval by

SAQA. While expertise is important, representation, equity and redress are also important and an SGB may not be made up of providers only. The following people were proposed to serve on the Criminology SGB:

Mr David Kgosimore, Univ of the North

Prof Johan Prinsloo, Unisa

Dr Vanitha Chetty, Univ of Durban-Westville

Prof Beaty Naudé, Unisa

Prof PJ Potgieter, Univ of Zululand

Dr Linda Davis, Univ of Pretoria

Ms Harriet Klopper, Univ of Pretoria

Ms Elrena van der Spuy, Univ of Cape Town

Dr Alice Maree, Unisa

Mr Gerhard Swanepoel, Pretoria College

Dr Rika Snyman, Technikon SA

Mr Kris Pillay, Technikon SA

Mr Robert Peacock, Midrand University

Mr Martin Schönreich, Institute for Security Studies

Ms Zuzelle Pretorius, Business Against Crime

Rev Barbara Louw, Inter Trauma Nexus

Mr VM Ferreira, Security, Training and Development, Unisa

Ms Lorinda Bergh, Dept of Correctional Services

Ms Kgomotse Makhuru, Student representative (alt Ms Kedibone Kekana)

Snr Supt TG Shabangu, SA Police Services

Ms Dudu Setjatjile, Restorative Justice Centre (alt Mr Mike Batley)

Ms Amanda Dissel, Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation.

In terms of its brief the SGB's tasks are as follows:

Review, identify and research existing Criminology qualifications and standards, nationally and internationally, to determine the applicability thereof in terms of South African requirements.

In particular, the following existing qualifications will be reviewed:

Grade 12 Criminology course (NQF levels 3 & 4)

BA programme in Criminology (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Criminal Investigation (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Crime Vulnerability (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Asset and Crime Risk Protection (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Criminal Justice Administration (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Community Safety and Socio-legal Studies (NQF level 6)

BA programme in Law (NQF level 6)

Honours programmes in Criminology (NQF level 7)

Masters programmes in Criminology (NQF level 7)

Doctoral programmes in Criminology (NQF level 8).

Determine the South African needs for criminology qualifications and standards which are not addressed by the current qualifications.

Recommend the qualifications to NSB 08.

Recommend criteria for the registration of assessors and moderators or moderating bodies.

Update and review standards for Criminology qualifications (Regulation 24(1)(b)).

It is hoped that all criminologists will actively participate in this process by submitting recommendations to the SGB.

Any suggestions are welcome and can be submitted to Prof Beaty Naudé,

interim convenor, at tel/fax 012 346-1457 or e-mail: naudecmb@netactive.co.za

**CRIMSA AND E-JOURNAL - ACTA
CRIMINOLOGICA**

Johan Prinsloo

The South(ern) African Journal of Criminology, *Acta Criminologica*, will in future be published in electronic format by *Sabinet Online (Pty) Ltd*. The CRIMSA web page (inclusive of *Crimsa News* and *Acta Criminologica*) can be visited at <http://journals.sabinet.co.za/crim/crimsa.html>. The web address of the journal's home page is <http://journals.sabinet.co.za/crim/>.

Members visiting the CRIMSA home page, which is at this stage still unrestricted, will see that editions 13 and 14 of *Acta Criminologica* already appear on the web.

The Editorial Board has taken this innovative step in response to Internet users growing demand for immediate and timely access to information, and the current world-wide trend of making articles available electronically in full-text. This often occurs through an intermediary service that aggregates the titles from

many different publishers under one interface and search system, and at the same time, adds value by increasing market awareness of the publications, growing their revenue streams, etc.

Sabinet Online has been servicing South African information markets for the past 18 years and, in addition to this, is presently acting as an aggregator of South African publications through its South African e-Publications portal. *Sabinet Online* is a powerful intermediary between publishers and subscribers, and brings with it the know-how, experience, technology and client base to add value to *Acta Criminologica*. Most exciting of all, is the fact that articles can now be published electronically as soon as they have been accepted, reviewed and edited.

The advantages that subscribers to *Acta Criminologica* will derive from *Sabinet Online*'s electronic publication of the journal, are that

- *Sabinet Online* will index each article according to keyword, broad subject, author(s), and title categories. All articles will be fully

searchable, with complete ease of access. Users will be able to search across all publications, or on an article or journal title, content, per volume, year of publication, language, subject, etc.

- *Sabinet Online* will create and market awareness of the content of *Acta Criminologica* both locally and internationally. Making it readily accessible not only to its present core of subscribers, but also to the vast global population with its healthy number of users who are likely to access the journal on an article per article basis.
- *Sabinet Online* has been granted permission to sell individual articles via its "pay-per-view" e-commerce/bank deposit option. This option, considered to be an important growth market, in particular internationally, is popular among infrequent or ad hoc users such as individuals or small organisations. The price per article will probably be in the region of R35,00 to R45,00 (US\$ 5.00).
- *Sabinet Online* has designed a

web page for *Acta Criminologica*, based on its e-Publications template, and will maintain it on an annual basis. The purpose of the web page is to

- brand the journal
- host the table of contents (TOC)
- carry articles and abstracts of each issue of *Acta Criminologica*
- display the editorial policy of the *Acta Criminologica*
- present guidelines for the prospective authors to submit articles to *Acta Criminologica*
- facilitate access to the full-text
- link the web page to the homepage of CRIMSA.

Full text articles appear in PDF-format. There is, however, a link to download the Adobe Acrobat Reader free of charge from the web, courtesy of *Sabinet Online*.

**PROPOSED REVISED
CRIMINOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF
SOUTH AFRICA (CRIMSA)
MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND
CRITERIA FOR 2003:**

Johan Prinsloo

The current membership categories and criteria of CRIMSA are under review. Members are invited to comment on the proposed new categories.

Defining the concept of “criminology”

The term “criminology” as used hereinafter refers to all scholarly, scientific and professional knowledge concerning the etiology, prevention, control and the treatment of crime, including the measurement and detection of crime, legislation, the practice of criminal law, law enforcement, judicial and correctional systems.

Membership

In order to participate in the nominations and/or voting processes of CRIMSA, all eligible members must be in good standing. To maintain membership a member must pay annual dues for the current financial year before or on the due date.

Membership will not be awarded to any member, except institutional members, unless such a member endorses CRIMSA's Code of Conduct in writing.

Applications for membership may be considered in terms of the following categories and criteria:

Student members

Student members will be those studying Criminology at technikons, universities and other approved tertiary institutions such as private colleges recognised by the Minister of Education.

Student members may participate in all the activities of CRIMSA, but will have no voting rights at meetings, except if coopted as student members to Council or its Executive.

Active members

Active members will be those engaged in the discipline of Criminology and in possession of an approved higher education qualification in Criminology.

Membership will be achieved upon review of application by the Executive Committee and members in good

standing will have full voting rights at meetings.

Associated members

These are members who hold a higher educational qualification in a closely related discipline, although not in Criminology, and who are engaged in any organisation, institution, department or foundation on research within the field of Criminology or subject closely connected with it, or persons who are engaged in positions of administration or practices in activities concerned with crime or criminal justice, and who have, by their qualifications or work, demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee an interest in promoting, facilitating, studying or applying issues within the subject matter of Criminology.

Membership will be achieved upon review of the application by the Executive Committee and members in good standing will have voting rights at meetings.

Professional membership

This category of member is in possession of at least a Master's degree in Criminology or a closely related

discipline; is engaged in any institution as a professional and can demonstrate expertise in the discipline of Criminology in general and/or a criminologically related subject in particular.

The onus will be on the member claiming any particular expertise to demonstrate and maintain such expertise in his/her professional capacity and in strict compliance with CRIMSA's Code of Conduct.

Membership will be achieved upon review of the application by the Executive Committee and members in good standing will have full voting rights at meetings.

Institutional membership

A group, institution or an organisation such as libraries or academic departments of accredited institutions of higher education, offering tuition in the field of Criminology or other organisations with an established interest in Criminology can attain "institutional membership". Institutions enjoy collective membership for a special membership fee as set by Council.

Membership will be achieved upon review of the application by the Executive Committee.

Institutional members may participate in all the activities of CRIMSA, but have no voting rights at a meeting, except if coopted to Council or its Executive.

Honorary members

Honorary membership can be awarded to those persons who make exceptional contributions to Criminology or to the Society and are so approved by Council.

An honorary member has the same privileges as Active, Associated or Professional members.

Divisions of CRIMSA

A division of CRIMSA may be established whenever members in good standing of CRIMSA petition the Executive Committee and receive Council approval for launching a division which will represent an active and functionally unitary interest of a group of members whose proposed objectives fall within the scope of Criminology.

Divisions may use a distinct name,

provided they append to it the phrase: "A Division of the **CRIMINOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA (CRIMSA).**"

A petition for the formation of a new Division shall include in an explanatory memorandum the following:

- a statement of the proposed name and purpose of the division
 - together with any supplementary materials and comments
 - relevant evidence that the petitioners "represent an active and functionally unitary interest of a group of members"
 - the names of the member or members representing the petition or speaking for the petitioners
 - a statement that the individual petitioners ask for and will accept membership in the division if it is established for a period of at least five (5) years
 - an explicit (re)endorsement of CRIMSA's Code of Ethics within the division
- after which Council will consider the petition on its merits at its next Annual General Meeting.

A division can be dissolved by Council when the majority members of the division vote to recommend dissolution. Council may also dissolve a division for good and sufficient reason by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at a Council meeting, provided that the reason for dissolution is stated in writing by Council to the membership of the division and that the division membership has been given full opportunity to state the reasons for the continued existence of the division.

A division shall have a chairperson and such officers as it may desire. The qualifications for its officers and the number and method of their election shall be determined by the division with approval of Council.

A division shall not enter into contracts, shall not own, publish, or manage a journal, or hold an annual meeting or convention that is not in conjunction with any of CRIMSA's Annual Meetings.

Apart from any other fees a division may raise, members will still be obliged to pay their annual membership fees as indicated above.

**THE INSIDER TRADING ACT 135
OF 1998**

Gerhard van Deventer
www.fsb.co.za (click “department”,
click “insider trading”)

History

In 1997 The King Task Group recommended that insider trading should be regulated under a separate statute outside the Companies Act of 1973. The Insider Trading Act 135 of 1998, came into operation on 17 January 1999 and the Financial Services Board (FSB) replaced the Securities Regulation Panel as the watchdog for insider trading.

Purpose of the prohibitions

It is generally accepted that insider trading is unfair and has a negative impact on financial markets. Investors expect to invest on “level playing fields”. This means that there should not be persons who have more information than the rest of the investing public. Such a situation is comparable with two individuals entering into a contract, where one party fails to disclose material information to the other. In such a case, the prejudiced party would have criminal and civil recourse in law.

International investors have often raised the concern that South Africa has a “stacked” market. This means that certain local groups often “get in” before good news is announced, and “get out” before bad news is disclosed.

What is insider trading?

Insider trading is the dealing in securities or financial instruments by an individual knowingly in possession of inside information relating to the instrument being dealt in. Inside information is specific or precise information that is price sensitive and has not been made public.

Criminal sanction

Anyone who knows that he has inside information and who deals directly or indirectly, for his own account or for another, in the securities or financial instruments to which such information relates, is guilty of insider trading.

A person with inside information who encourages or discourages another person from dealing, or discloses it, is also guilty of an offence. The above offences can result in a fine of up to R2 million and imprisonment of up to ten

years.

Civil remedy

The FSB may institute civil claims against insiders who have dealt. If the FSB can prove that a person profited or avoided a loss through unlawful dealing, the profit or loss avoided may be recovered. In addition, such a person will be liable to pay a penalty of up to three times the amount of his ill-gotten gains.

The FSB may recoup its legal and investigation costs from this amount. The balance of the funds is then distributed to investors who have been affected by the illegal transactions. These measures go a long way to restore investor confidence in our markets.

Activities to date

Since the Act came into operation in January 1999, the FSB has registered 124 cases for investigation. Ninety one (91) of these investigations have been finalised. In 15 cases, the Insider Trading Directorate decided to take legal action. In 10 of the last mentioned cases, the individuals approached the Directorate and settled the matter out of court. This has resulted in the Directorate recovering

a total of R10 032 791.

Typically, the individuals whose transactions are being investigated are the directors of listed companies, professional advisers to the companies and family members of such persons.

**THE MTN CENTRE FOR CRIME
PREVENTION: GRAHAMSTOWN,
RHODES UNIVERSITY**

Mike Earl-Taylor
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Bringing down the rate of violent crime in South Africa in the 21st century is the mission of the MTN Centre for Crime Prevention, the Rhodes University-based research unit which boasts some of the most sophisticated state-of-the-art information technology in the Southern hemisphere.

Housed in the university's Department of Psychology and headed by Dr Mark Welman, a Clinical and Investigative Psychologist, the MTN-Centre for Crime Prevention (MTN-CPC) though small in size, packs a mighty punch as far as violent criminals are concerned. The unit was established several years ago by

forming a unique and unprecedented partnership between the corporate sector, the university and the South African Police Service, and, has since won international recognition as a leading research institute into all aspects of violent crime.

Seminal research has been completed on South African serial killers and rapists and a typology of rapists has been developed along with a comprehensive pro forma to assist the SAPS in the investigation of rape and sexual offences. Another area of the centre's expertise is juvenile violent crime, especially in the area of incarcerated juvenile sex offenders.

The first applied research and quantitative study of the incidence of car hijacking was undertaken last year where it was found that in 60 cases sampled in the Gauteng area, of the 51.6 percent of victims wounded, 41.6 percent died.

The hands-on approach to violent crime by staff at the MTN-CPC and the partnership with the SAPS is the service provided in the area of psychological profiling of unknown suspects as an

investigative tool to narrow down the field of suspects.

Excluding countries involved in armed conflict, South Africa is the most violent country in the world when it comes to crime. The incidence of reported rape for last year, is the world's highest and stands at 120.1 per 100, 000-unit of the population. Compare this to American statistics which are 37.7 per 100, 000 for the comparable period. The American population of nearly 273 million is roughly five times greater than South Africa.

The rate of homicide in this country is second only to that of Columbia in South America, and the home of major international drug cartels. The South African police statistics for the year 2000 record the incidence of murder at 59.3 per 100,000 people while America in a similar period tallied 5.7.

Besides conducting applied research based on the psychological approaches to criminology and criminal behaviour, the MTN-CPC is also involved in both teaching students and members of law enforcement agencies and will soon offer advanced training courses in Investigative

Psychology and its associated fields.

Since its inception, the MTN-CPC has established international links with the American FBI, and especially so with the world famous FBI School of Behavioural Sciences at the Quantico Marine Base in Virginia. There are also strong links with Liverpool University's prestigious Centre for Investigative Psychology, Britain's famed Scotland Yard, and Forensic Services in Russia and Norway.

Washington State Attorney-Generals Office donated an R20 million software programme known as the Homicide Investigative Tracking System (HITS) which can process up to 15 million data base records in as little as four minutes and identify and link similar crimes to the same perpetrator. Based on a neural network system which is closest to "artificial" intelligence as we know it, HITS, once online and with data bases loaded, can be utilised by detectives at a crime scene to access information via laptop, e-mail or cell phones.

Originally designed to help trap notorious serial killers like Ted Bundy, a similar system introduced into New York a few

years ago, reduced crime by a staggering 70 percent. This was achieved by the "Zero Tolerance Campaign" which resulted in large numbers of arrests for minor offences only to discover many of those arrested were wanted on far more serious offences.

The US Embassy in Pretoria and its Cape Town-based Consulate have strong links with the MTN-CPS and the Embassy, through its Narcotics Law Enforcement Administration (NLEA) section, recently donated the top-of-the-line computer technology to drive HITS.

Dr Welman, a senior lecturer in psychology, as well as the MTN-CPC Director, is also the initiator of a multitask force Combined Emergence Response Team, also known as CERT to react rapidly to crime and civil emergencies or natural disasters.

The CERT teams are the combination of members of the Grahamstown-based 1300-strong Midland Commando as well as selected members of the SAPS and staff from the research unit.

**INVITATION TO BECOME A
MEMBER OF THE WORLD
SOCIETY OF VICTIMOLOGY
(WSV)**

Prof John Dussich, Secretary General of the WSV would like to extend an invitation to all criminologists, victimologists and people working in related fields to become members of the WSV. The WSV is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation with consultative status category II with the ECSOC of the United Nations and the Council of Europe. Its aim are to promote research on victims and victim assistance; encourage interdisciplinary and comparative research in victimology; and to advance the cooperation of international, regional and local agencies, groups and individuals concerned with the problems of victims. Membership is granted upon written application to the Secretary-General and should be mailed to: **wsv@tokiwa.ac.jp**

Membership fees are as follows:

1 year regular 40 US\$ and students 20 US\$
3 year regular 100 US\$ and students 50 US\$

Members receive *The Victimologist* three times a year.

**LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCES**

2003

Thirteenth ISC World Congress

Date: August 10-15, 2003 (please note that this has been changed!)

Location: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Topic: To be announced

Information: Plenary Addresses and Discussions with leading criminologists and practitioners from around the world will be offered each morning with simultaneous translation into the following languages: English, Spanish, French and Brazilian

Additional information: Visits to Brazilian courts, prisons, police stations, schools and other field settings are being planned and are included in the cost of registration, as are several receptions and the conference dinner. Travel and hotel arrangements will be provided from most countries of the world with reduced prices at a variety of cost levels. For information contact the official travel agency of the 13th World Congress of

Crimology, Promotional Travel, at home@promotional.com.br

Registration and costs: Early registration is available before 1 January 2002 at the reduced price of \$100 payable by credit card to the local secretariat, at Editora Forense, Av. Erasma Braga 227-B e 299-, Rio de Janeiro, Centro RJ - CEP : 20020-000, Brazil

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August 6-12, 2005

Fourteenth World Congress of Criminology

Organization: International Society of Criminology

Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

Info: [Professor Tony Peters](#), President of the ISC Scientific Commission, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium.

**RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP
AND MEMBERSHIP FEES (2002)**

MEMBERSHIP IS RENEWABLE

**BEFORE THE END OF
FEBRUARY 2002 - SEE
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM
PROVIDED AT THE END OF
NEWSLETTER**

Student members: R70,00 (US\$10.00) for the financial year if the e-journal and newsletter are received (electronically) *via* Sabinet Online. However, should hard copies be required, a fee of R140,00 (US\$70.00) will be charged inclusive of postage and handling.

Active members: R200,00 (US\$25.00) for the financial year if the e-journal and newsletter are received (electronically) *via* Sabinet Online. However, should hard copies be required, a fee of R400,00 or US\$70.00 will be charged inclusive of postage and handling.

Institutional (group) members: R600,00 (US\$70.00) inclusive of postage and handling. If institutional members are willing to receive the e-journal electronically, a reduced fee of R450,00 (US\$55.00) will be charged.

Individual international members: All

foreign members will pay the same membership fees as the other members in the respective categories for which they qualify provided that they receive the e-journal and newsletters (electronically) *via Sabinet Online*. In other words, a student living in France will qualify for student membership (R70,00 or US\$10.00) **provided** that such a student receive the journal and newsletters electronically. However, should hard copies be required, a fee of R600,00 (US\$70.00) inclusive of postage and handling will be charged.

A membership application and/or renewal form is attached. Please complete the form and mail it with the

necessary payment to:

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Alternatively, deposit payment into the current account of CRIMSA (ABSA Bank, Esselen Street, Sunnyside: Current account number 010471656) and fax the deposit slip and membership form to fax number (0027 12) 012 429-6766 **clearly marked** for the attention of the CRIMSA coordinator.

**CRIMINOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA (CRIMSA)
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND/OR RENEWAL FORM**

**I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREWITH APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING
CATEGORY OF CRIMSA MEMBERSHIP:**

(Please tick the selected category)

- ' Student membership
 - ' E-Journal: R70,00 (US\$10.00)
 - ' Conventional format: R140,00 (locally) or US\$70.00 internationally
- ' Active membership
 - ' E-Journal: R200,00 (US\$25.00)
 - ' Conventional format: R400,00 (locally) or US\$70.00 internationally
- ' Institutional membership
 - ' E-Journal: R450,00 (locally) or US\$55.00 internationally
 - ' Conventional format: R600,00 (US\$70.00)

Note: International members - All international members will pay the same membership fees as the other members in the respective categories for which they qualify provided that they receive the e-journal and newsletters (electronically) *via Sabinet Online*. **However**, should hard copies (conventional format) be required, a fee of R600,00 (US\$70.00) inclusive of postage and handling will be charged.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL/INSTITUTIONAL PARTICULARS:

Title

Full names (contact person in case of institution)

E-mail address

Postal address

Code

Place of work/profession

Capacity

Work address

Telephone code and number

Fax number

Student members

Educational institution where registered

Qualification registered for

Level

Active members

Qualifications obtained:

Qualifications	Institution	Year
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Relevant experience

Field(s) of interest

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