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Domestic Law Enforcement



Justice will come again to the nation, although an admittedly harsher justice. Perilous times will make it so. American law enforcement officers will support your cause more than they supported that of any previous president.

Unquestionably you need the backing of American peace officers as well as their enthusiasm and unqualified support in order to enforce your agenda. But with this also comes baggage accumulated over a half-century. Five decades of escalating crime lured many peace officers to participate in lucrative criminal activities. As crime diminishes, rather than righting wrongs, too many constables, police, sheriffs, undersheriffs, and federal law enforcement officers will go back to old habits and begin to wrong the right. Exact the same punishment for law officers who break the law as for any other person who commits a crime.

Once major crime is vanquished, domestic law enforcement could become your Achilles' heel. As the honest public loses its fear of crime, second thoughts about your presidency will surface. You will be vulnerable to criticism about corrupt, power-hungry crime fighters. While not ignoring such charges, do not become enmeshed in ferreting out lawbreakers among close-mouthed law enforcement groups. You will need to simplify the removal of dishonest law enforcement officers and the promotion of honest ones.

More than a few big-city police forces have been notoriously corrupt, some going back to the nineteenth century. Even sheriffs and police in sparsely populated counties and small towns have been known periodically to head large-scale criminal activities. Expect the majority of American law officers to be honest, however, since law enforcement was considered honorable employment from America's inception to 1964. Because of high standards for employment, the highest percentages of honest versus dishonest are in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Secret Service. The largest numbers of dishonest police will be among those employed in corrupt-from-the-top-down departments in major cities, since those officers taking bribes from criminals, a felony offense, were rarely prosecuted.

During your Marine-led assault on crime, all law enforcement officers were inducted temporarily into America's armed forces and participated in open warfare during that brief period of cleansing. Even though they fought successfully in combat, do not permit death squads to deal with your enemies now. Neither should you dampen the enthusiasm of law officers nor hobble their efforts by keeping them in too tight a halter. In chaotic times, which you still face, heavy-handed interrogation is not the same as death squads. Misconduct on your behalf is the prerequisite for you to forgive mistakes made by law officers; it is important to judge the degree of error. Remember: You need American law officers and they need you.

To simplify dealing with domestic law enforcement, I suggest a statement similar to the following for current law enforcement officers to sign at once, new officers upon enlistment and all officers annually thereafter. The Internal Revenue Service can best review and oversee investigation of the executed documents.

This legal document will bring about immediate, midrange, and long-range results. First, and perhaps most important, a sizable number of law officers will resign or retire early rather than sign this affidavit. Let them go in peace. Do not offer amnesty or initiate criminal hunts. Any past crime that surfaces later can be handled as a matter of course.

Midrange results involve current law officers, those who have committed felony crimes or who have knowledge of undisclosed

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Declarant Name (print)

Statement of Disclosure of Criminal Activities

It is the legal responsibility of the Internal Revenue Service to oversee the United States domestic law enforcement agencies. To create new ethical standards of conduct, the Internal Revenue Service developed this questionnaire to cleanse the country of all federal, state, county, and municipal law enforcement officers who have violated the law or who have been passive observers as the law was violated.

Answer the following questions regarding your conduct beginning with the first day you became a law enforcement officer to the current date.

All the information reflected in this statement will be held in confidence by the Internal Revenue Service.

Warning: An untrue statement, either answer or explanation, will result in an indictment with a minimum charge of a fourth-degree felony. The statute of limitations for such indictments shall extend to the date of death of the declarant whose name is shown below.

Social Security No.

First Law Enforcement Employer	Date Employment Began
Current Law Enforcement Employer	Date Employment Began
Any <i>yes</i> answer to the following questi stances, must be explained in detail below	
Have you been either indicted or coryou a named subject of a pending crin I yes I no	-
2. Have you committed any felony crime	2?
[] yes [] no	
3. Do you have knowledge of any felony one whom you know that is not alrea nal investigation?	crime having been committed by some- dy formally on record as part of a crimi-
[] yes [] no	
Explanation required for yes answer to qu	nestion 1:

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felonious activities. It is this last item that will trouble many law officers. Some, though honest themselves, know of corrupt officers, perhaps even a superior. The timorous and the imprudent will resign rather than denounce another — an effective means of ridding the ranks of the faint-hearted and the foolish. Treat the

passive observers who know, but swear that they do not know, the same as those who commit crimes. In addition to the fourth-degree felony for an untrue statement by the declarant, indict and prosecute both the observer and the found-out criminal for whatever crime occurred.

The most lasting outcome of this program will be your implicit trust of the domestic law enforcement agencies. In turn, these agents must trust you, Mr. President; your actions must show them that you support their endeavors on your behalf. America's law officers will join with you to eliminate the professional criminals who, in the past, rarely failed to overwhelm honest, hardworking Americans.