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Global News

Fusion proposed between two federal law enforcement agencies



Since 1951 the German Bundesgrenzschutz (BGS) served as the country's Border Protection Agency similar to the U.S. Border Patrol. Since then the agency slowly morphed into what was called a "police of the federation," after first absorbing the federal railroad police (Bahnpolizei) and later assuming additional duties such as assisting state police forces in critical incidents or those involving massive disturbances and civil disorder or disobedience.

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Note: downtown program information table at FPD Annex Lobby, Thu 13 Jan 1600-1800

The increasing threat of international terrorism and expanded use of the agency to police airports and metropolitan mass transit systems further expanded its role, and in 2005 the agency officially adopted the name of Bundespolizei, or Federal Police.

The accelerated threat of terrorism and the existence of multiple federal agencies with similar responsibilities and their own special tactical units for critical incidents, has resulted in yet another potential change. The German government is currently studying the fusion of the Bundeskriminalamt (BKA), the German equivalent of the FBI, with the Bundespolizei.

The BKA currently employs 5,500 and the Bundespolizei 40,000 officers and staff. A fusion of both agencies is seen as a needed step towards greater "efficiency" and "synergy." The new super agency would be centrally responsible for combating terrorism without encroaching on the jurisdictions of the state police agencies. A name for this new agency has not yet been determined.

There were additional thoughts about the unnecessary duplication of two separate federal special response units, one within

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GERMAN FEDERAL POLICE...

the federal police and the other within the customs investigations bureau. Ironically, the protective vests of the customs officers in those teams are emblazoned with the word POLIZEI (police). For greater efficiency and effectiveness it was also recommended that both customs and federal police officers serving at borders complete the same training and come under one management hierarchy.

You can visit their websites as follows:

BKA(FBI)- <http://www.bka.de/>

Bundespolizei-

<http://www.bundespolizei.de/>

The Federal Police also has a downloadable magazine linked to the homepage under the heading:

[Zeitschrift der Bundespolizei](#)

Customs Investigations and Enforcement

(Zollfahndung) is accessible at:

http://www.zoll.de/d0_zoll_im_einsatz/h0_zollfahndung/index.html

There were initial suggestions to combine units responsible for customs enforcement and investigations with the federal police, but this suggestion failed due to the powerful finance minister who did not want to give up control over law enforcement functions.

These dynamics are reminiscent of the creation of the Department of Homeland Security and the shifting of agencies such as ATF from the U.S. Treasury Department to the Department of Justice. This move for ATF was first suggested in 1993 after the tragedy in Waco TX, but at the time, the DOJ did not succeed in taking control over ATF due to the powerful Treasury Secretary Lloyd Benson.

GENDARMERIE



Burkina Faso

<http://www.gouvernement.gov/bf/>

Capitaine R. Elisée Ouedraogo of the Gendarmerie in Burkina Faso, who was featured in the December 2009 Criminology Newsletter, has been sent to the Darfur region of Sudan for a one year peace keeping mission with a contingent of Burkina Faso Gendarmerie. Ouedraogo has been promoted to the equivalent of Major and we hope to hear from him about his experiences in the Sudan once he returns to Burkina Faso. The major is the father of Ives Ouedraogo, a Fresno State graduate student in International Relations.



Capitaine R. Elisée Ouedraogo

Overseas peace keeping assignments for active police officers is very common in foreign countries and if a country maintains a Gendarmerie, those officers are the ones most likely to be sent overseas.

GENDARMERIE BURKINA FASO...

In the U.S. it is unlikely that any law enforcement agency would continue an officer's pay and status while the officer is performing peace keeping duties in a foreign country. More common is the use of private contractors hired by the U.S. or foreign government who then employ retired or former law enforcement officers from the United States on a short term contractual basis.

OFF CAMPUS

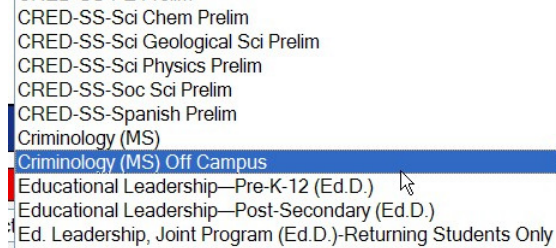
CRIMINOLOGY GRADUATE PROGRAM

**New Start Up Date
For second cohort**

**Information table at the Fresno
Police/City Hall Annex Lobby
Thursday, 13 January 1600-1800**

While many government employees inquired about the off campus graduate program, most applications are still incomplete and numerous additional inquiries have been received from persons who will not be eligible for the graduate program until August 2011. For this reason, the first class of the second cohort will begin on Friday, 18 August 2011. The application period has been extended until 1 April 2011. Applications for Fall 2011 admission to graduate study at the university can be submitted immediately at <http://www.csumentor.edu/>

Applicants must select the M.S. Criminology Off-Campus Program when filing their application.



Above: Program Selection in My Mentor

Additional paperwork must be directly submitted to the criminology department. Complete instructions are at:

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowngraduateprogram2011.htm>

https://secure.csumentor.edu/admissionapp/grad_apply.asp

Even though the starting date has been shifted to fall 2011, courses originally scheduled for fall 2011 will remain in place, except that spring 2011 courses will be added to the program at the end (Fall 2012).

The off-campus M.S. in criminology is designed for persons with command responsibilities in criminal justice agencies or those who aspire to become command rank officers or officials. Coursework includes areas such as Homeland Security and Intelligence, Project and Crisis Management, Management Information Systems, Organizational Administration, Research, and Criminology.

Applicants must have a four year degree in any field from an accredited college/university, a GPA of 3.0 or greater in the last sixty units of their undergraduate studies, and submit GRE scores prior to acceptance into the program.

DOWNTOWN GRADUATE PROGRAM...

Additional information is also available at:
<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowngraduateprogram2011.htm>

Applicants who have already applied for spring 2011 graduate study should verify that they applied to the correct program, i.e. off campus vs. on campus, and contact Dr. Schweizer haralds@csufresno.edu for further instructions or guidance.

B.S. CRIMINOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAM

The criminology department in conjunction with the Division of Continuing and Global Education also offers an off-campus B.S. in Criminology program to applicants who have completed their A.A. degree or about 60 units at a junior college and who qualify for admission to the university as transfer students. Applicants to the B.S. degree program must also be current government employees or have recently been laid off due to organizational budget reductions. New classes in the B.S. degree program begin in February 2011 and students can enter the program any time new classes begin.

<http://zimmer.csufresno.edu/~haralds/downtowndegreeoverview.htm>

The next set of B.S. program classes will begin on Wednesday, February 2, 2011.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

Monday evenings:

CRIM 01-Success in Crim.
CRIM102-C.J. Organ. & Administration*
Febr. 7, 14, 21, 28 Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28

*Also meets Saturdays Feb. 5 & Mar 5

Wednesday evenings:

CRIM 100-Crim Theory
Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23
Also meets Saturdays Feb. 19 & Mar 19
Depending on the instructor, some classes may use on-line instruction for a part of the course.

NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR OFF CAMPUS CRIMINOLOGY PROGRAM CLASSES

Effective 2011 all off-campus program classes will be held in the training room of the Fresno County Sheriff's Department at 2200 Fresno Street, opposite the old Fresno County Jail.



Side entrance for access to training room

NEW DOWNTOWN PROGRAM LOCATION...

Prior classes were held at the FPD Annex but space constraints at the Police Department necessitated a change in location. The FCSO training room will accommodate about twenty five students.



CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT NEWS

Tech-Bits



Hackers of the group "fail0verflow" at the recent 27C3 Hacker Congress of the Chaos Computer Clubs in Berlin, Germany announced that they have successfully hacked a Sony PS3 Playstation. They apparently discovered the digital signatures with the executable code that operates the PS3. I looked at the hacker group website: <http://fail0verflow.com/> and found that they were currently being sued by SONY.

POLICE PHOTOS



German Federal Police-Bundespolizei



Baden-Wuerttemberg State Police (Germany)



Singapore Police Boat-with police explorers