



MEDIA ADVISORY

Hampshire County Sheriff to Install New Child Protection Database

New Technology to Fill Critical Gap in Locating Missing Children and Adults

WHO: To be on hand:

- Robert Garvey, Hampshire County Massachusetts Sheriff and National Sheriff's Association 2003 Sheriff of the Year
- Hampshire County District Attorney Elizabeth Schiebel
- John Bish, The Molly Bish Foundation for Child Health & Safety
- Sean Mullin, President & CEO The CHILD Project
- Representatives of local police and Alzheimer's organizations

WHAT: Official launch and demonstration of The <u>Ch</u>ildren's <u>I</u>dentification and <u>L</u>ocation

Database, or The CHILD Project.

The Child Project is a secure network and registry using iris recognition biometric technology, the quickest and most accurate identification technology available.

WHERE: Union Station Restaurant

125 Pleasant Street

Northampton, Massachusetts

WHEN: Friday, May 27, 2005 -- 1 p.m.

WHY: According to the U.S. Department of Justice, more than 2,000 children are reported

missing each day in the United States and there are currently over 47,000 active missing adult cases. Using iris recognition biometric technology, The CHILD Project will help law enforcement officials quickly and positively identify missing

children and adults.

In recognition of National Missing Children's Day, the Hampshire County Sheriff's Office will become the first Sheriff's Office in the nation to install this new cutting

edge technology and database.

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