

SEARCH Resolution 76-02

Of the Membership Group of SEARCH, The National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics

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National Computerized Criminal History Program

WHEREAS Project SEARCH was instrumental in the design and demonstration of a system for the interstate exchange of computerized criminal history records, and

WHEREAS cooperation between state and federal agencies is necessary to implement an information network for the purpose of exchanging criminal history record information, and

WHEREAS a national index is a necessary tool for effective inter- and intrastate exchange of criminal history record information, and

WHEREAS state identification bureaus are the essence of an accurate, updated base of criminal history data, and

WHEREAS a substantial commitment of resources has been made to this program by both the federal and state governments in response to federal initiative to create an integrated criminal history network, and

WHEREAS continuation of this mutual effort should provide access to over 80% of active criminal history data in the country by the end of 1977, and

WHEREAS this program is basic to the mission of the entire criminal justice community,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Membership Group of SEARCH Group, Inc., that any effort to interrupt, abandon or diminish federal involvement in the Computerized Criminal History program would be both premature and detrimental to nationally established and recognized goals and objectives for the criminal justice community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SEARCH Group, Inc. endorses the existing CCH program, basic to which are the following requirements:

- A national criminal history index,
- Using updated and verified data from state identification bureaus,
- Utilizing a communication vehicle (to include message switching) to allow transfer of criminal history record information,
- In reliance upon which the states are expending valuable and limited resources in support of a federally initiated program,
- As a part of the total national criminal justice effort; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SEARCH Group, Inc. recognizes that all of the above criteria, as well as uninterrupted service, can only be satisfied at this time by FBI/NCIC/CCH, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Attorney General Edward Levi, the Department of Justice Systems Policy Board, FBI Director Clarence Kelly, and LEAA Administrator Richard Velde.