

MEDIA ADVISORY

National Roll-Out of Biometric Sex Offender Registry to Occur in Charlotte, North Carolina

*Nation's First System to Track Offenders Using Iris Biometric Recognition
Technology will be unveiled at NC Sheriff's Association Convention*

WHO: To be on hand:

- Mecklenburg County (NC) Sheriff Jim Pendergraph
- Sean Mullin, President & CEO of BI² Technologies

WHAT: Official launch of the Sex Offender Registry & Identification System (SORISSM)

SORIS registers and positively identifies convicted sex offenders using iris recognition biometric technology, the quickest and most accurate identification technology available.

WHERE: Westin Charlotte Hotel and Convention Center
601 South College Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

WHEN: **Monday, July 17, 2006 @ 3:00 PM**

WHY: According to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), there are almost three convicted sex offenders living in our communities on probation or parole for every convicted sex offender in jail or prison. The DOJ also reports that, on average, released child molesters were four times more likely to be rearrested for a sex crime than non-sex offenders.

SORISTM is a secure, web-based system that registers and positively identifies Convicted Sex Offenders using the most mathematically unique biometric – the iris.

The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office will become the first Sheriff's Office in the Nation to implement this new cutting edge technology and database. The Sheriff will roll-out and demonstrate the system at the North Carolina Sheriff's Association convention.

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