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The events of September 11, 2001 changed the legislative of the Government of Canada. In addition to Bill C-36, several Parliamentary Committees held hearings into various subjects related to security. While the issues associated with counter terrorism dominated the legislative agenda, other legislation, important to CACP members was also before Parliament, for example Bill 15, the *Criminal Omnibus Bill*, and the *Youth Criminal Justice Act*. We are proud to confirm for the Board of Directors that the CACP has been well represented in all of their representations to Government.

The other achievement for the LAC was its most significant contribution and participation in the Terrorism Conference in January 2002. LAC members were part of the planning committee, facilitated and presented particular sessions at the Conference. Building on this success, the LAC is now working with other CACP Committees in the development of another workshop for next January 2003.

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