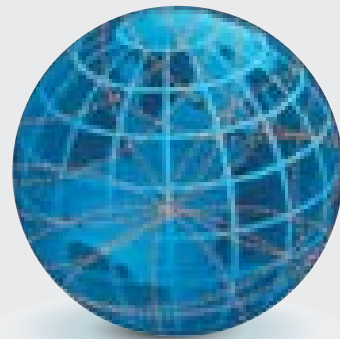


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Absolutely Brilliant!

That's the way Alexander MacDonald, President of Crime Stoppers International described the type of year which the organization enjoyed in 2015. President Alex, who is currently serving his second term at the helm of Crime Stoppers International, was high in praise for his Executive Team and Board of Directors for their commitment and tireless efforts. "We have only been able to accomplish what we have by being united and functioning as a team in the truest sense of the word", commented President Alex as he prepared his Annual Holiday tribute.



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JANUARY

The year begun with Vice President Peter Price and Executive Director Devrol Dupigny, negotiating a three year sponsorship arrangement with YPB Group Ltd., an Australian-based organization that provides various intellectual property systems for covert brand protection and security systems for Brand Owners, OEM's and government agencies.



**L-R, John Houston, CEO of YPB Group Ltd.
& Peter Price, CSI Vice-President**

FEBRUARY

In February, President Alex and Devrol travelled to the Netherlands to meet with Ruud Smulders (CSI Director & Assistant Director of NL Confidential) and Titus Visser (Director of NL Confidential) to finalize the Memorandum of Understanding between Crime Stoppers International and NL Confidential with respect to the office in the Netherlands being confirmed as the location of the Global Headquarters of Crime Stoppers International. This Agreement became effective as of March 1st 2015.

Crime Stoppers Vision

To Help Stop, Solve and Prevent Crime Globally.

CSI Mission Statement

To mobilize the World to provide information on crime anonymously.



CSI Directors standing in front of the Global Headquarters, from left, 1st Lieutenant Greet Weering, Alexander MacDonald, Ruud Smulders and Devrol Dupigny

MARCH

Director Ruud Smulders represented CSI at an INTERPOL Meeting on Illegal Timber where he delivered a presentation on the role that Crime Stoppers can play to help address the issue. This presentation was instrumental in progressing discussions between CSI and INTERPOL's Environmental Crime Sub Directorate, which eventually led to the formalization of a joint project proposal at the end of April.

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Attendees at the INTERPOL Meeting on Illegal Timber, Director Ruud Smulders is at the centre of the photo

APRIL

In April, President Alex attended the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in Doha, Qatar. At this event, Alex participated in several high level meetings, and was appointed to serve on the Board of the Alliance of NGO's on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.



President Alex delivering address at an NGO meeting in Doha

MAY

Next on the Agenda was the Spring Board Meeting which took place on May 8th – 10th at the courtesy of McKinney Rogers on Madison Avenue, New York City, NY. Head of McKinney Rogers & Business Development Consultant extraordinaire, Damian McKinney graciously facilitated a one-day team building training workshop for the Board on the first day of the SBM. This exercise was invaluable as it fostered greater cohesion among board members and provided a fresh perspective needed to propel the organization forward. Key strategic decisions were made at this meeting



CSI Board and Committee Chairs at the Rockefeller Centre in New York City

Immediately following the Spring Board Meeting, President Alex and Devrol travelled to Panama for an official meeting with the United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime (UNODC) for Central America and the Caribbean. At this meeting, the relationship between CSI and the UNODC was re-affirmed and it was agreed that the two organizations will prepare joint project proposals in the areas of human trafficking, drugs and the illicit trade. Whilst in Panama, Alex and Devrol also met with the Commissioner of Police responsible for Citizen Security who agreed to facilitate the formation of a Crime Stoppers programme in Panama. This process is ongoing.

Simultaneously, 2nd Vice President Greet Weering and Director Ruud Smulders travelled to Bonaire to meet with officials there to discuss the development of Crime Stoppers in the Dutch Caribbean islands.



President Alex and Executive Director Devrol meeting with the Panamanian Police



Executive Director Devrol Dupigny delivering presentation at the Headquarters of the WWF-America

SEPTEMBER

Further to discussions between CSI and INTERPOL's Environmental Crime Sub Directorate, President Alex and Executive Director Devrol travelled to Washington D.C. in September to meet with the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). This meeting was extremely successful as the WWF's senior executives who were present immediately confirmed their willingness to work with CSI.

Whilst in Washington D.C., President Alex and Devrol also met with the Division Chief, Anti-Crime Programs Division, INL Bureau of the U.S. Department of State to discuss areas of mutual collaboration.

Next up was the 2015 CSI Conference in Toronto. Congratulations have to be extended to CSI Director Dave Forster and the team at the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers (OACS). The Conference was a huge success and is fondly referred to as "the happy conference" by President Alex.



Dave Forster and the Conference Committee members of the OACS

Three key Agreements were signed at the Conference. The first was a Memorandum of Understanding between Crime Stoppers international and Airline Ambassadors International in which both organizations agreed to work together with respect to Human Trafficking training of the transportation sector. In the second MOU, Amalgamated Security Services agreed to become a corporate sponsor of Crime Stoppers International by providing funding to assist CSI's operations. Lastly, the CNN Freedom Project agreed to collaborate with Crime Stoppers International to promote the Crime Stoppers website as a resource to be used to report incidence of human trafficking.



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- **JOHN ABOUD**
Director of Amalgamated Security Services
- **LISA COHEN**
Senior Supervising Producer, CNN Freedom Project
- **ALEXANDER MACDONALD**
CSI President
- **DAVID RIVARD**
Director Airline Ambassadors International



**Donna Harms
receiving the
President's Award
from Dave Forster**

At this year's Conference, President Alex honoured two long-standing members of the Crime Stoppers family – Ms. Donna Harms and Judge Richard Carter. In delivering his address, President Alex stated that “these two honourees have been stalwarts in Crime Stoppers movement and their efforts have greatly assisted us in becoming the global organization that we are today”.

OCTOBER

In October, Director Ruud Smulders journeyed to Geneva to meet with the Chief Executive Officer of a global Foundation to discuss the possibility of partnering to implement various initiatives to address the issue of human trafficking. Discussions have been positive and are continuing.

DECEMBER

Nothing beats persistence! For a number of years Vice President Peter Price has been discussions with the tobacco industry and other sectors with respect to determining the role that Crime Stoppers can play in combatting illicit trade. Supported by Devrol, Vice President Peter successfully negotiated a one-year sponsorship agreement with Philip Morris International – Asia. Under this agreement, which was signed by President Alex and CSI Secretary Ralph Page, Crime Stoppers International will be expanding its brand and footprint into Asia.

THIS WAS INDEED A VERY GOOD ENDING FOR 2015.

While Crime Stoppers International has made major strides forward in the global arena, our local and regional programs continue to provide invaluable service to the communities that they serve. Evidence of this is the ever increasing number of arrests and seizures that these programs continue to make as they continue to support the efforts of their local and regional police forces.

Crime Stoppers International will continue to provide support to all of its programs in 2016 and beyond. Such support will be further enhanced as the operations of our Global Headquarters come on stream in the not too distant future.



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The Board of **Crime Stoppers International** would like to thank our global programmes for their positive support over the year, and wish everyone a joyful holiday season.

Crime doesn't take a holiday, so give some thought to our law enforcement colleagues who work with us worldwide to prevent and/or identify crime in our communities. Most of all, have yourself a safe, happy and crime-free holiday!