

# **Internet Based Child Sexual Exploitation: Canadian Contributions**

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# Summary of Canadian Response

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- Law enforcement
- Public and private sector
- Government

# National Strategy

- **Prevention and Awareness:**  
Industry Canada's SchoolNet Program  
[www.SchoolNet.ca](http://www.SchoolNet.ca)
- **Citizen Tipline:**  
Manitoba Child Find's  
[www.cybertip.ca](http://www.cybertip.ca)
- **Law Enforcement:**  
National Child Exploitation Coordination Centre  
[www.ncecc.ca](http://www.ncecc.ca)

# NCECC Mission Statement

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*Through leadership and partnership the NCECC will provide a national integrated environment for the coordination, collaboration, education, intelligence and development of strategies to combat the global on-line sexual exploitation of children.*

# G8 Law Enforcement Objectives

1. Victim identification
2. Suspect location
3. Law enforcement:  
Tools and training
4. International co-  
operation
5. Awareness and  
prevention
6. Effective legislation
7. Information &  
intelligence gathering,  
dissemination & sharing
8. Industry & NGO co-  
operation

# NCECC Structure

- **Operations:** Investigations, Intelligence, Behavioural Science, Forensics
- **Technology:** Child Exploitation Tracking System/Image Database
- **Strategic & Ops Support:** Training, Investigational Standards, Research, Prevention & Awareness, Reporting

# Strategic and Operations Support Research and Development Division

“to engage in strategic research that provides empirically based support for the investigation of and intelligence building in the area of Internet based child sexual exploitation”

# Components of the Division

- Environmental Scan – strategic priorities
- Conduct research
- National and international partnerships
- Academic partnerships
- Develop resources for Canadian law enforcement
- Youth input/consultation

# Canadian Situation

- Youth Internet Usage
- NCECC and Cybertip.ca Statistics
- Child Sexual Abuse Images
- Child Victim Identification
- Child Luring
- Child Sexual Tourism

# International Efforts

- Lead on G8 Image Database to Interpol)
- Virtual Global Task Force  
[www.vitualglobaltaskforce.ca](http://www.vitualglobaltaskforce.ca)

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## **Internet Based Child Sexual Exploitation: Canadian Contributions**

The welfare and healthy development of children and youth is an area of great importance to many Canadians and indeed internationally. A key component of this focus is protection, with an emphasis on reducing child and youth victimization. The Internet has altered the way child sexual exploitation offences (for example, child sexual abuse images, child luring, and child sex tourism) are committed, investigated, and prosecuted. This medium provides ready access to large quantities of electronically produced child sexual abuse images and videos, provides chat rooms and bulletin boards that operate as virtual meeting places for those who engage in the sexual exploitation of children, and facilitates the luring of children and youth for sexual purposes.

In 2004, the Canadian government announced the implementation of the National Strategy for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation on the Internet. A significant portion of the funding attached to this strategy was allocated to the expansion of the National Child Exploitation Coordination Centre. The Centre is housed within the RCMP and is a national law enforcement initiative that partners with law enforcement agencies and other organizations on a global level. In addition to being a law enforcement Centre, its mandate encompasses research and intelligence building, prevention and education, and to contribute to the development of legislation.

As a participant on the Human Trafficking panel, the presentation will provide: 1) a summary of the National Strategy and the role of law enforcement in Canada in this area and 2) a discussion of the current situation regarding child sexual abuse images, child luring, child sexual tourism, and the role of family in these offences.

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