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U.S. Attorney General's Office Launches Surprise Inspections

Targeted are manufacturers and distributors of CCTV equipment with covert audio capabilities

The **United States Attorney General's** office launched a series of surprise inspections during the week of November 8, 1999 of **manufacturers and distributors of CCTV equipment** possessing **COVERT AUDIO capabilities**. The **Security Industry of America (SIA)** believes that these surprise inspections seem to be part of an overall nation-wide investigation to be implemented at each state's respective Attorneys General's Office.

The Justice Department's discovery of alleged violations of US Wiretapping Laws— particularly section 2512 (b) of Title 18 of the US Code—by the manufacturers and distributors of CCTV equipment seems to be behind the inspections. Of particular interest to the Attorney General's office are products that are designed to intentionally mislead as to their true purpose, such as CCTV cameras with covert audio capabilities.

It should be noted that the Justice Department has no plans to offer advance warning to any manufacturers or distributors of this type of CCTV technology prior to showing up at their door with a search warrant.

Read the complete SIA Advisory and the pertinent U.S. Code Section in the Hot News column of www.csaaul.org.

America Burning Request—A Chance for Immortality

As you know, **Louis Fiore**, CSAA Immediate Past President, was appointed by **President Clinton** to serve on a panel that will re-write the *America Burning* Report.

Throughout the Report, the panel anticipates placing anecdotes as sidebars, showing some aspect of fire services, alarms, etc. where lives were saved.

This is your company's chance for some immortality.

If your company has installed a fire alarm system that was responsible for saving lives, please forward a write-up, newspaper story, press release, etc. to Lou Fiore by mail or e-mail (ltfiore@aol.com) as soon as possible. Pictures would also be helpful but not necessary.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

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