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Evidence to Advance Reform in the Global Security and Justice Sectors:

A Workshop-based Consensus Study Series

Workshop #4: *Police and Community Trust and Legitimacy*

January 24-25, 2021

Purpose: This workshop is designed to explore what is known about police practices that build community trust and legitimacy in countries with low-to-moderate criminal justice sector capacity. This workshop is the fourth in a series of workshops conducted by the Committee on Evidence to Advance Reform in the Global Security and Justice Sectors. The workshop will be the primary source of information gathering for the committee's brief consensus report on the topic. Some questions of interest include:

- Why it is important to care about improving trust and legitimacy?
- How has trust and legitimacy been operationalized in research studies?
- How do motivations and definitions of trust and legitimacy vary between countries?
- For recent interventions, has improvement of trust and legitimacy been the primary goal or secondary benefit?
- How have recent interventions striven to balance/incorporate improving trust and legitimacy with other goals (e.g., crime prevention)?
- Which police practices seem most promising to build community trust and legitimacy?
- What is known about the influence of contextual factors on the effectiveness of such police practices?

Day 1

January 24, 10:00am-1:30pm EST

Note: All times listed in Eastern Standard Time

10:00-10:05	Welcome and Introduction to the Committee's Study
	Lawrence Sherman, Committee Chair, University of Cambridge
10:05-10:15	Opening Remarks
	Raphael Carland, Director, Office of Knowledge Management, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S. Department of State
10:15-10:20	Introduction of Author of Workshop Briefing Paper
	Lawrence Sherman, Committee Chair
10:20-10:50	Policing practices to build community trust and legitimacy in countries with

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low-to-moderate criminal justice sector capacity

A presentation on paper prepared for the workshop

Robert Blair, Brown University

10:50-11:15 **Committee Comments and Questions**

11:15-11:30 **Break**

11:30-11:35 **Introduction of Workshop Commentators**

Lawrence Sherman, Committee Chair

11:35-12:55 **Public Perceptions and Police Legitimacy**

Ben Bradford, University College, London

Janice Gallagher, Rutgers University

Jose Miguel Cruz, Florida International University

Mychelle Balthazard and Patrick Vinck, Harvard Humanitarian Initiative

12:55-1:25 **Committee Comments and Questions**

Moderator: Guy Grossman, Committee Member

1:25-1:30 **Recapitulation of the Day & Scene Setting for Day 2**

Lawrence Sherman, Committee Chair

1:30 **Adjourn**

Day 2

January 25, 1:30pm-4:45pm EST

Note: All times listed in Eastern Standard Time.

1:30-1:40 **Recap of Day 1 and Scene Setting for Day 2**

Introduction of Workshop Commentators

Lawrence Sherman, Committee Chair

1:40-2:40 **Efforts to Build Community Trust and Legitimacy**

Social Change and Public Safety

William J. Benet and Joseph McMillan, Walden University

Community Policing and Trust in Police

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Graeme Blair, University of California, Los Angeles

Place-based Interventions

Santiago Tobón, Universidad EAFIT in Medellín, Colombia

2:40-3:10

Committee Comments and Questions

Moderator: John Hagan, Committee Member

3:10-3:30

Break

3:30-4:10

Efforts to Build Community Trust and Legitimacy (Continued)

Gender and Policing

Nirvikar Jassal, Stanford University

Sharyn Davies, Monash University

4:10-4:30

Committee Comments and Questions

Moderator: Cynthia Lum, Committee Member

4:30-4:45

Closing Remarks

Cynthia Lum, Committee Member

4:45

Adjourn