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*Thank You*

FROM THE DIRECTOR  
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

. . . . . for the assistance you gave to the U.S. Census Bureau field representative who recently contacted you. The information given by you and members of approximately 48,000 other households nationwide will be used by criminal justice planners who need reliable data on the amount of crime in this country, as well as information on the circumstances of the victimizations, to improve their effectiveness in combating crime problems. Much of this information is not uniformly available from police reports. In addition, according to the responses given to the Census Bureau by your household and others like it, about 60 percent of the victimizations reported to the National Crime Victimization Survey field representatives are never reported to the police. This underscores the importance of the courtesy and cooperation you have given us, and we want you to know that we are sincerely appreciative.

We would also like to take this opportunity to reassure you that the information you provided will be kept confidential by the Census Bureau and will be used only for statistical purposes.

Your household will be contacted again in a few months for this important survey. We hope we can count on your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Groves