Law Enforcement Stakeholders - Interview

Good morning/afternoon. Thank you very much for taking the time to talk with us. My colleague, <NAME>, is a Northrop Grumman researcher contracted to PERSEREC, and is with me today to take notes during our conversation.

As mentioned in our invitation email, this project is an exploratory effort to learn more about workplace violence prevention efforts.

Your participation is voluntary, and you are free to decline or withdraw at any time. You also may request, at any time during or after this discussion that we exclude information from the final work product we submit to our sponsor. Individual feedback will be reported in the aggregate, so your responses will remain anonymous, but we may reference specific organizations in our report.

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To ensure that we gather consistent information, we have a set of questions to guide the discussion, but we can discuss other topics and issues as we go. If there are topics you don't feel you can or want to address, please let me know and we'll move on.

- 1. We chose to talk with law enforcement stakeholders because coworker violence is statistically rare even though officers have access to weapons and work in a high stress, high operational tempo environment. So the first question is, why do you think workplace violence is rare?
 - Possible probes: Do police experience the three other types of workplace violence more often than worker-on-worker violence?
- 2. Has coworker violence not happened because it just hasn't happened or has your organization taken active measures to prevent it? What measures have been taken?
- 3. As you know, this is an exploratory project. We chose to start with representatives from police forces because these organizations appear to have risk factors for workplace violence but very few instances. Who else people or organizations do you suggest we contact to participate in our project?