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consorting provisions of the *Vagrancy Act* 1966, he shall submit Consorting Report Forms in accordance with sub-paragraph (1) hereof.

(7) The Officer in Charge, Information Bureau, will cause particulars of entries forwarded on Consorting Report Forms to be entered in the Consorting Register and where the same individual is found to be habitually consorting in contravention of the *Vagrancy Act* 1966 shall cause three copies of the entries relating to the offender to be forwarded to the Officer in Charge, C.I. Branch, who shall take action to ensure that the provisions of the Act are applied.

(8) When a warrant of apprehension is issued for the arrest of a person alleged to have offended against the consorting provisions of the *Vagrancy Act* 1966, the informant shall ensure that the three copies of the consorting entries referred to in the previous sub-paragraph are attached to the warrant.

(9) When a charge has been preferred against any person for a breach of the consorting provisions of the *Vagrancy Act* 1966, the member preferring such charge shall—

- (a) retain the original copy of the consorting entries for attachment to the brief;
- (b) serve the second copy on the accused; and
- (c) forward the third copy to the clerk of the Magistrates' Court at the court where the charge will be dealt with.

(10) Where a member receives information as to the activities of a known criminal, or any other information he considers of value, use should be made of the Collator Information Memo or 'Non Consorting Report' (form No. 233).

(11) The officer in charge of a station shall ensure that Non Consorting Reports submitted in accordance with paragraph (10) hereof are forwarded to the Crime Collator for transmission to the Information Bureau, or where a Crime Collator is not attached to the Division, direct to the Information Bureau.

FCM 91-9-3 **CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION RECEIVED**

4.69 A member shall maintain the utmost confidentiality in relation to the identity of his informants in the case of any information he may receive about the identity or location of criminal offenders.

4.70 A member shall not disclose the names of his informants in written reports, unless especially directed to do so by an officer.

4.71 Where it is necessary, a member may verbally inform his superiors of the names of his informants, and he shall disclose the names of his informants to an officer when directed to do so.

4.72 If in any criminal proceedings a member is asked questions designed to reveal the identity of an informant, he shall request the court to direct whether or not the question should be answered on the

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grounds that it is contrary to public policy and not in the interest of public safety that such a disclosure should be made. A member shall obey the direction of any court in such a case.

INFORMATION TO THE MEDIA, &c.

4.73 A member shall not communicate any information regarding crime to any section of the public communications media, e.g. representatives of newspapers, radio, or television stations, except in accordance with the instructions set out under the heading of "Public Communications Media" Manual, Chapter 36.

RETURNS OF CRIME

4.74 The Officer in Charge of each C.I.B. Division shall furnish as directed a Return of Crime on form No. 211, in triplicate, to the D.D.C.I. responsible for the district in which the division is, or if in the country area, to the officer in charge of the district, giving the details required on such form. Where applicable, a copy of such return shall be retained by the D.D.C.I., who shall forward the remaining copies to the officer in charge of the district and the Officer in Charge of the C.I. Branch, together with any comments or observations which may be called for.

TOP TEN WANTED LIST

4.75 (1) Members seeking the whereabouts of people wanted for a serious offence or a series of offences should forward details of the person or persons to the Officer in Charge, Major Crime Squad, for consideration for inclusion in the Top Ten Wanted List.

(2) Except where unusual circumstances exist, a warrant of apprehension for the wanted person will be a necessary criterion for inclusion of the suspect or offender in this publication.

(3) Details should be supplied on a form No. 47 and include full details of the person or persons wanted, the reason for that person being wanted and a resume of the offence or offences which are subject of the warrant(s).

INTERCEPTION OF PASSENGERS AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS "P.A.S.S." SYSTEM

4.76 (1) The Australian Federal Police have access to a computerized system (Passenger Automatic Selection Systems, P.A.S.S.) at international airports throughout Australia. Upon appropriate advice on a personal particulars form, a wanted person will be recorded and may be intercepted by the Federal Police Airport Squad on arrival or departure from an international terminal.

(2) Personal particulars forms are available from divisional detective chief inspectors and the duty officer, Russell Street C.I.B. The