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“POLICING THE INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY”
**SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER FOCUSES ON THE NEED FOR A
LOCAL CYBER FORENSICS LAB AND DREXEL UNIVERSITY AS
A POTENTIAL SITE**

**The Senator Will Meet With U.S. Attorney Patrick Meehan, F.B.I. Special
Agent-In-Charge Jeffrey Lampinski, Local Law Enforcement And
Drexel University Officials**

PHILADELPHIA – Cyberspace has spawned a new species of criminal, one who moves quietly, anonymously, and often leaves no paper trail.

“It used to be that sifting through reams of documents in filing cabinets was law enforcement’s only way to follow an information trail,” said U.S. Attorney Meehan. “But we’ve moved into a new electronic age when evidence isn’t always something you can put your hands on. We have to use the current technology to keep pace with a new generation of criminals.”

Cyber forensic research allows law enforcement agencies to detect and analyze data and computer hardware related to a number of illegal activities including theft of personal and business information, online solicitation by sexual predators, and Internet fraud.

Monday, July 14, at 9:30 a.m., U.S. Attorney Meehan, F.B.I. Special Agent-In-Charge Jeffrey Lampinski, Drexel University President Constantine Papadakis, along with local law enforcement and Drexel University officials, will present information to Senator Arlen Specter (R-Pa) highlighting the need for a local cyber forensics lab. Such a lab would provide law enforcement officers with effective tools for the detection of criminal activities in cyberspace.

The meeting and press availability will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Randell Hall, adjacent to the Main Building, at 32nd and Chestnut Streets.

