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### US CENSUS - 2010

Every 10 years, the Constitution requires the federal government to conduct a census to count everyone who lives in the United States. The data collected is used to help determine how federal funds are distributed and spent on things like schools, hospitals and roads, and to assist in determining the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives. Initial neighborhood canvassing for the Census has been completed and the El Segundo Police would like to inform the public of the next phase of the 2010 - U.S. Census.

In March of 2010, census questionnaires will be mailed to every residence in the United States and Puerto Rico. When you receive your form, answer the 10 short questions and then mail it back in the postage-paid envelope provided. It should only take approximately 10 minutes to answer all the questions. Any personal data you provide is protected as federal confidentiality laws apply to protect the respondents and their information. If you do not mail the form back, you may receive a visit from a census taker who will ask you the questions from the form in person.

The El Segundo Police Department reminds you to always be vigilant and question persons who advise they are performing duties for the 2010 Census. Each Census employee must have an identification card and you are encouraged to ask the field operator to present their U.S. Census credentials. As with all questionable activity, call the police department if you encounter someone or something suspicious.

For more information, please visit the U.S. Census Bureau website at <http://2010.census.gov/2010census> or contact Lieutenant Brian Evanski at 310.524.2260 if you have any questions or comments regarding this press release.