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NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR FIGHTING HI-TECH CRIMES

RICHMOND, VA - The Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia State Police and the National White Collar Crime Center, have entered into a partnership to fight cyber crime. A key component of that partnership will be the development of the "Virginia Digital Forensics Laboratory" (VDFL). The VDFL will be a regional forensics teaching and research facility where academia, the business sector and law enforcement can work together to develop strategies and tools for combating the #1 growing problem today – cyber crime.

An event marking the kick-off of this exciting initiative will be held Tuesday, December 11th at 8:30 a.m. on the second floor of VCU's School of Engineering at 601 West Main Street, Richmond, VA 23284. Members of the media are cordially invited to attend.

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