



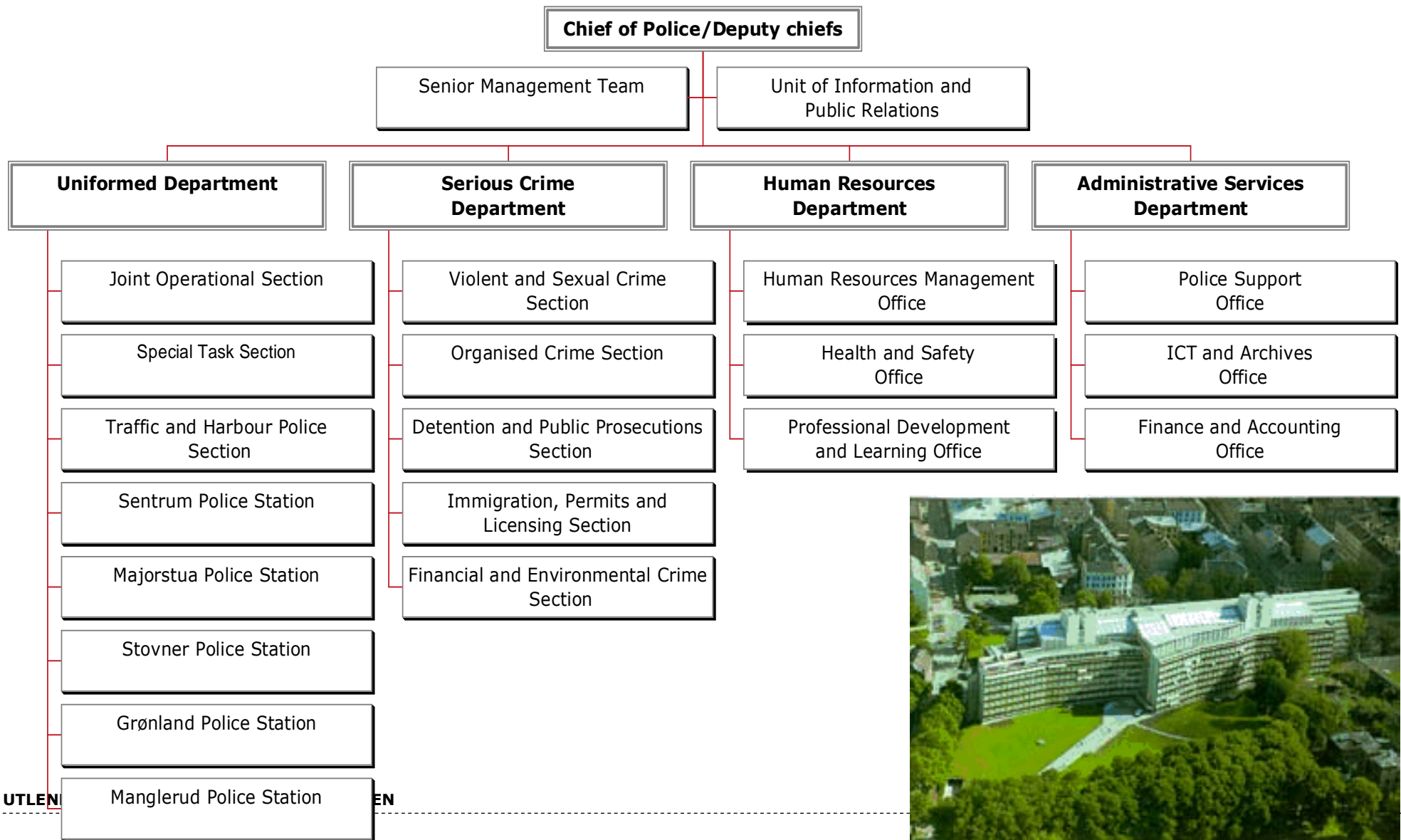
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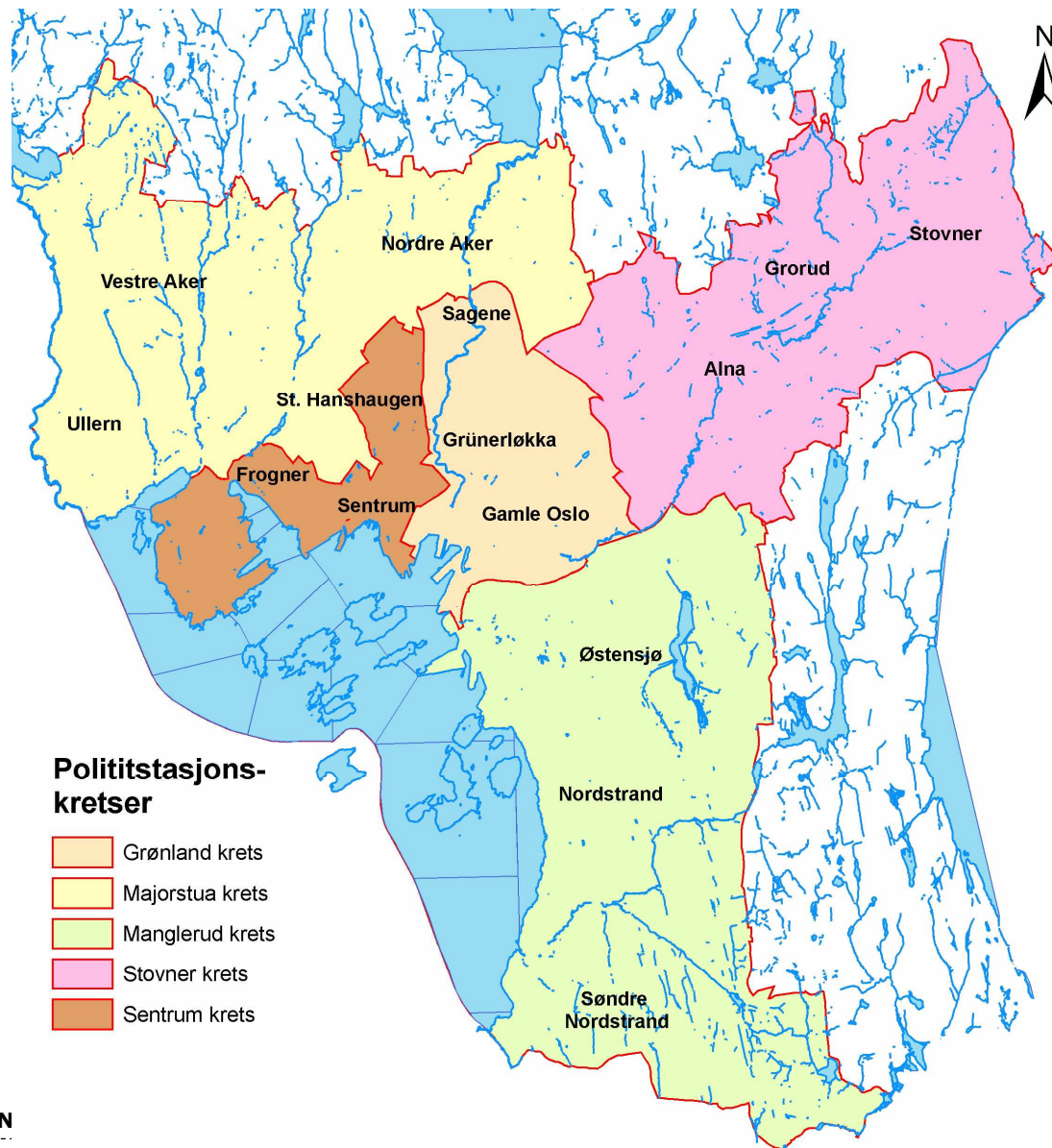
OSLO POLICE DISTRICT

# Challenges for the Police – Oslo Police district

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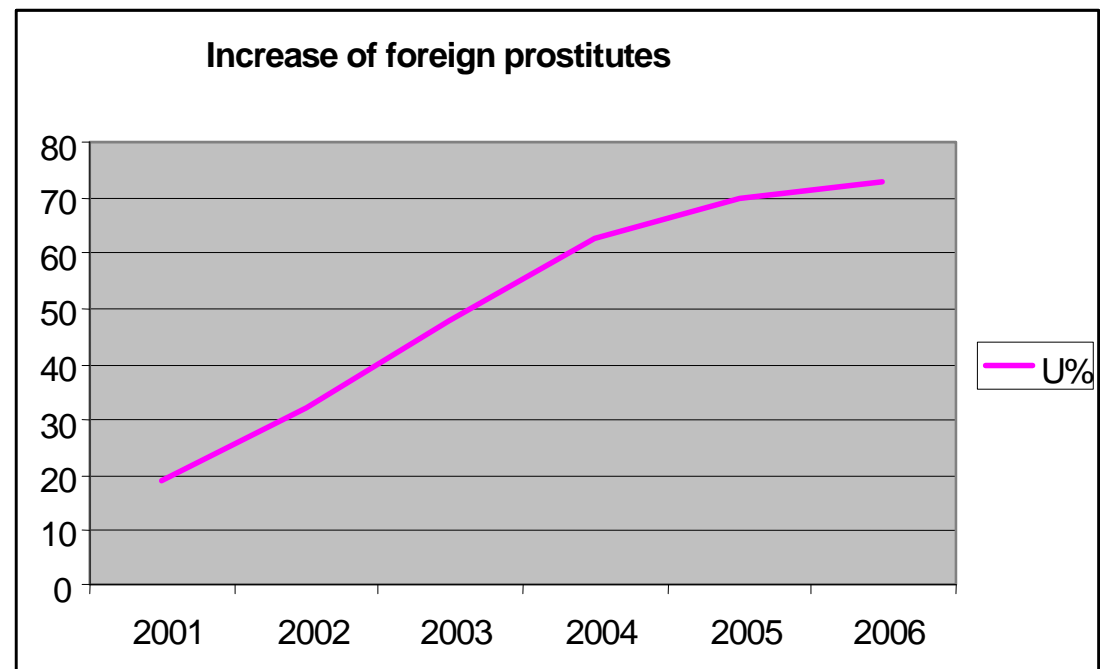






## Combating human trafficking in Oslo

- Increase in number of prostitutes operating in Oslo from 2006
- Operating in 2008
  - outdoor – 967 persons
  - indoor – 1500 persons
  - ads on internet





## Facts

- Europol: 120 000 women and children trafficked into Europe annually for sexual abuse/prostitution purposes
  - Sale of sexual services are motivated by money
  - The prostitutes seen as "product", others will take their share of the profit
  - Rotation is essential for high income
- New article 202a in our Criminal Act (01.01.09)
  - buying sex is illegal – fines of 25 000.
  - selling sex is legal

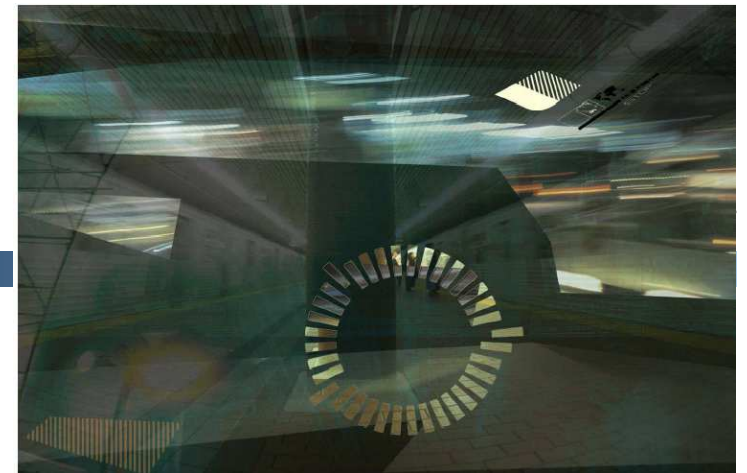




## Problem oriented policing

Where can our effort give long-lasting results/effect?

- Human Traffickers
- Pimps
- Prostitutes
- Clients
- Immigration (legislation and immigration/police control)
- Advertising market – newspapers and internet
- Real estate market (rental apartments)
- Finance (money-flow – follow the money)



## Strategy in Oslo

- Establishing the STOP-group 2008 – 14 officers – handle all cases related to prostitution – placed under Organised Crime Section
- Increase police efforts; patrols, immigration checks higher priority, more active use of rejection/expulsion and investigation
- Coordinated through Directorate of Police and KOM



## Problem-oriented policing



### Operation Houseless

Prevent human trafficking of foreign prostitutes to Oslo through police-effort against persons/companies who lets out premises used for sale of sexual services.

2007-2009: 150 apartments

2009: 74 apartments

*6 massage parlours/brothels closed*

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### The clients

Report clients (NOK. 25 000 in fine)

Police in uniform, plain clothes, immigration checks, surveillance for identifying clients, apartments, hotels

Extensive use of media

*128 reports in 2009*



## POP...



### Advertising market

Close Internet sites and magazines soliciting prostitution.

Send warning to companies– if not closed, seizure of the web information through the ISP's.

*3 letters – 2 companies closed*

*Regular police case: E-Zone*

### Criminal Act article 317 – money laundering / whitewashing

Monitoring of exchange and sending of money

- Kr.100 mill exchanged and sent each year by Vest-Africans

- seven persons had at total of kr. 28.291,515

-Notification to the tax-authorities

-Difficult to follow money, goes abroad

*6 convictions - "easy" - lack of legal income, tracks to drugs- and prostitution environment.*



## Results

2009

- 111 reports related to violation of Immigration Act and/or Criminal Act of using false documents, 6 reports for money laundering/whitewashing, § 317, 41 reports for use/possession of narcotics
- 21 cases of human trafficking
- 7 reports of pimping, § 202
- 128 reports § 202a

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- 11 cases of human trafficking, § 224
- 8 cases of “pimping”, § 202
- 67 cases of buying sex, § 202a
- 80 letter in Op Houseless



## Other aspects – travel documents and visa

- We see an big increase in false passports from EU-countries
  - 300 - 600 albanians operating as Greek, Italian og Belgian citizens – involved in large scale tax evasions/crimes
  - identity controll is becoming very important –
- Important with good co-operation with the embassies in Oslo
  - verifying identity
  - and/or obtaining travel documents – often on very short notice
  - we are very thankful for those of you who have given us specimen
  - it is very helpful when your staff has some knowledge of the documents – precEDURE to obtain passport, how the passport should be etc.
  - Verification of permits – a challenge -
  - Same individual appear as references in many applications. May be a people smuggler – please contact us if we can be of assistance



## Other aspects – reflection period

- Reflection period – permits for 6 months
  - ca 30 pr year
  - refrain from prostitution
  - maybe give evidence in investigation
  - Applications are received and processed by our Immigration Division in Schweigaards gate 15a.
- Expulsion cases increasing: 540 in 2009 – ca 850 in 2010
- Notifying embassies of persons arrested and detained
- Is there any thing we may help with, please contact us

