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Massive recovery of bikes, Update, executed at least 700 more bikes recovered

More warrants executed, at least 700 more bikes recovered, 14 Division

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On Wednesday, July 16, 2008, the 14 Division Community Response Unit (CRU) began a bicycle–theft investigation.

It is alleged that:

– the owner of The Bicycle Clinic, 927 Queen Street West, was witnessed directing a person to steal bicycles in the area of the store.

Igor Kenk, 49, of Toronto, and Jean Laveau, 47, of Toronto, are each charged with:

- 1) Theft,
- 2) Attempt Theft,
- 3) Possession of Stolen Property,
- 4) Possession of Burglar Tools.

See previous release.

On Monday, July 28, 2008, officers from 14 Division executed three more search warrants and recovered at least 700 more bicycles.

From today through Thursday, July 31, 2008, from noon to 8 p.m., the bikes are available for viewing at 35 Strachan Avenue and 30 Ordnance Street.

Those who attend to recover their bicycles should be prepared to offer proof of ownership, such as receipts or store registrations. Owner identification will be required. Photo ID is preferred. Police officers will be present to register bicycles.

14 Division Superintendent Ruth White urged bike owners to register their bikes at the free <u>TPS online bike registry</u>. She said, "Take a few minutes to register your bike. It will make it much easier for us to return it to you."

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