Extent of policing

The incident of 9/11 has huge impacts on the policing because the police and state emphasize on eliminating the terrorist activities from the country. Due to increased pressures from the state the police is now more often searching citizens and cameras are planted throughout the cities for monitoring citizen activities. Law enforcement now suggests on using technology for enhancing security and minimizing the risks of terrorist attacks (Burns, 2012).

Surveillance technology offers many advantages to the police such as they can monitor the streets even when they are absent from the incidents. Massive amount of criticism is received by the law enforcement for affecting the privacy of the citizens. However it is still important to adopt technology and minimize the risks of terrorist attacks by keeping an eye on the activities of the people (Cayford & Pieters, 2018). The intelligence officers stress the need for formulating effective policies that will prevent police from misusing the evidence. The indicates the need for conducting scrutiny and assuring that the cameras are installed for promoting safety in the city. It is also crucial to conduct cost and benefit analysis for determining if the technology has been adequate for enhancing security and mitigating crimes.

Homeland security is focused on creating strategies response for building tactics for addressing the issue of national security. Integration of technology is also criticized because it is a violation of the Amendment that protects the privacy rights of the citizens. This depicts the need for establishing adequate policy for making appropriate use of technology such as surveillance cameras and preventing its misuse. This also requires sharing knowledge and awareness among the officers about the legal use of technology. Without technology it is not possible to mitigate the risks of terrorist attacks.

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