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I. Summary

The studies of the National Institute of Criminology have been published annually since 1962. The publications present the results of the main research activities of the institution during the given year and the reports and data from the studies as well as the theoretical works that deserve the attention of specialists and the general public.

This institute, which operates with a small staff and which has become “fashionable” over the last fifty years, primarily in relation to the negative phenomena accompanying social changes, has produced a number of valuable and scientifically memorable results despite so much sad scientific erosion. The summary of the articles published in the *Studies on Criminology* over fifty years functions as a general highlight. There is no doubt that the commemorative volume was prepared with a VIP approach. Its objective is to select the articles from the last five decades that contain useful lessons for current researchers as well. The other main principle was undoubtedly pride. The fate and standard of activity of an institution predominantly depends on its leaders. They bear all responsibility, define the working conditions of the staff, may influence research opportunities and may also decide on the fate of their works. Their articles prove that a scientific organisation and scientific activities can be conducted together.

According to our intentions, the fiftieth volume of *Studies on Criminology* conveys the thoughts of *Leonard Berkowitz*:

“If we get to know more about what makes people hurt others, what makes it easier or more difficult to cause deliberate harm and pain to fellow human beings and the consequences of aggression on the perpetrator and the victim, we can take large steps towards reducing any inhuman treatment.”

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