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police studies, criminal justice administration, and for policymakers and practitioners working with police organization and training.