

Activities Related to Casino Gaming Oversight

March 2001

Amount of Money Received and Expended

For fiscal year 2000-2001, a projected budget of \$5,309,600 was allocated and, as of December 31, 2000, \$944,429 had been spent to cover the expenses for 42 FTE's.

Nature and Structure of MSP Gaming Section

With a continued mandate to assist the Michigan Gaming Control Board (MGCB) with licensing, regulation, and enforcement of state regulated casinos, the MSP Gaming Section has maintained an organizational structure of an *Investigative Unit* and an *Enforcement Unit* during the first quarter of FY 2001. The licensing of the final casino applicant (Greektown Casino LLC) is complete resulting in a change in the role and responsibilities of the Gaming Section. The MSP Investigative Unit, which helped ensure the integrity and suitability of three casino applicants (MGM, Motor City, and Greektown) will be replaced with civilian MGCB staff who will be responsible to continue the background investigative process and assume responsibility for other regulatory functions previously performed by MSP staff. Once the MGCB hires and trains adequate staff to assume full responsibility for the background investigative and regulatory functions currently performed by MSP, the Gaming Section will redirect its resources to casino related crime and public safety issues within Detroit based casinos. The Investigative Unit is currently working to complete all of the background investigations on applicants, suppliers, vendors, and occupational licensees in preparation for MSP closure and transition. Since the section has 11 position vacancies caused by transfers and promotions, the potential fallout from this reduction will not be as difficult as expected. While a few positions will have to be displaced, most of the Investigative positions will be trained and reassigned to the Enforcement Unit which continues to function as a single team that rotates between casinos and responds to casino calls for service. Once the MSP/MGCB transition is complete in late March or April the MSP Gaming Section will be renamed the MSP Gaming Enforcement Section.

With all three casinos open and operational, the Enforcement Unit has expanded its coverage and is working hard to give timely responses to criminal activity in each facility. During the first quarter of 2001, the Gaming Section has affected 288 arrests that range from felony cheating at play to misdemeanor minor in possession of alcohol. Current and future breakdowns on staffing are as follows:

Current Staffing

1 – Inspector
2 – Secretary 9
1 – Secretary 8
1 – Microcomputer Technician
2 – D/F/Lt. 15
12 – D/Sgt. 12
23 – D/Spl. 11

42 – Total Employees

Future Staffing

1 – Inspector
2 – Secretary 9
1 – Microcomputer Technician
1 – D/F/Lt. 15
3 – D/Lt. 14
6 – D/Sgt. 12
18 – D/Spl. 11

32 – Total Employees

In the Enforcement Unit, a D/F/Lieutenant commands the unit currently comprised of a Secretary 8, six (6) D/Sgts. and (8) D/Spls. Down four positions from a staffing cap of 20 FTE's, this staff of 16 FTE's is currently responsible for enforcing casino related criminal activity and providing for public safety at all three casinos. With this coverage, officers are on duty during all hours of casino operations but are not physically assigned to any one facility. This operational plan was implemented in April of 2000.

Future plans also involve 24-hour a day, 7-day a week casino coverage, but with a staff of 28 as opposed to 16 FTE's. Under this plan, the Gaming Enforcement Section will continue to work out of a central location at the Albert Kahn Building in Detroit's New Center to service each casino. The section will also continue to assign officers to respond to casino calls for service and patrol between all three casinos during the course of any given shift. With the role change and staffing adjustment, MSP and MGCB managers feel the Gaming Enforcement Section will be able to maintain adequate response times while increasing its level of service. With this coverage, officers are on duty during all hours of casino operations but are not physically assigned to any one facility.

Summary of Casino Enforcement Activities

From August 1, 2000, through January 31, 2001, the Enforcement Unit affected 274 arrests at the MGM, Motor City, and Greektown casinos. These arrests varied from felony arrests for embezzlement, cheating at play, to misdemeanor arrests of disorderly person, domestic assault, underage gambling, minor in possession of alcohol, larceny from a person, trespassing, and fugitive warrants. Since opening, the Motor City Casino has experienced three unarmed (snatch-grab-& run) robberies at cashier cages or table games. It should be noted that because of limited staff and workload, enforcement members have been more reactive than proactive to criminal activity within the casinos. Members simply have not had time to adequately patrol the casino floors for criminal activity due to the high volume of calls and the need to investigate reported crimes. With future plans to increase Enforcement staff, MSP managers expect more proactive patrols to help prevent robberies and other serious offenses.

Counterfeit money continues to surface at Detroit based casinos, but the volume remains consistent with the amounts seized in casinos throughout the country. It is estimated that approximately \$37,000 of counterfeit money has been seized since casinos opened in July of 1999. While numerous individuals have been caught in possession of one or two counterfeit bills, State Police and Secret Service Investigators have been unable to demonstrate they knowingly possessed the bills, or conspired to produce or pass them. Investigators continue to track occurrences by database in an effort to establish patterns and investigative leads. As mentioned in earlier reports, the United States Secret Service does not view the volume of counterfeit currency to be abnormal or a huge problem, especially considering the millions of dollars that flow through casinos on a daily basis and the ease of counterfeit production by computer and laser printers. Investigation into this activity continues and investigators hope to establish more concrete leads in the future.

From a law enforcement/public safety perspective, we continue to be pleased with the partnerships established with the Michigan Gaming Control Board, MGM, Motor City's Security and Surveillance, the Detroit Police Department, U.S. Secret Service, Internal Revenue Service, and other law enforcement agencies. Thus far, the collective response from this multi-agency partnership has worked extremely well in dealing with the above mentioned major crimes while ensuring public safety and maintaining sound regulatory oversight.

Positions and Classifications of Employees Currently Assigned-- (42 FTE's)

- 1 Inspector, State Deputy Division Administrator 15
- 2 Detective First Lieutenants, State Police Detective First Lieutenant 15
- 12 Detective Sergeants, State Police Detective Sergeant 12
- 23 Detective Specialists, State Police Detective Specialist - Trooper 11
- 2 Management Assistants, Secretary 9
- 1 Secretary 8
- 1 Microcomputer Technician, Information Technology Technician 08

Number of Full Time and Part Time Employees and Aggregate Number of FTE's

The current staffing cap is for 42 full time employees.

Number of Enlisted and Civilian Positions

Of the 42 positions currently assigned, 38 are enlisted and 4 are civilians. It should be noted that 11 of the enlisted positions are currently vacant as a result of transfers and promotions.

Duties and Responsibilities of Assigned Employees

Inspector - State Division Administrator 15 - This officer serves as assistant to the division commander and as Gaming Section Commander, sharing responsibilities with the Attorney General and the Michigan Gaming Control Board (MGCB) for the licensing, regulation, and enforcement of legalized gaming in the State of Michigan. This officer also serves as liaison with federal, state, and local authorities to maintain cooperative team efforts and establish professional gaming standards. This officer supervises, administers, and provides leadership for State Police resources and personnel committed to the licensing, regulation, and enforcement of gaming.

D/F/Lt. 15 – State Police Detective First Lieutenant 15 (Enforcement Unit Commander) - This position is responsible to command the Enforcement Unit which is charged to assist the MGCB in regulating and enforcing Michigan law at three (3) Detroit based casinos. This officer is responsible to the Gaming Section Commander for the coordination and provision of State Police services and resources necessary for the licensing, regulation, and enforcement of legalized gaming in the State of Michigan. These duties are performed at the direction of the section commander when he or she is available, and may assume the position of command when the section commander is not available. This position requires the officer to be available for duty any hour of the day. This officer is also responsible to supervise detective lieutenants, detective sergeants, detective specialists, and secretaries assigned to each casino sub-unit.

D/Lt. 14 - State Police Detective Lieutenant 14 - This officer is responsible for the coordination and provision of State Police activities, services, and resources necessary for the regulation and enforcement of legalized gaming in the State of Michigan. This position also serves as a casino sub-unit commander at a licensed casino operation, providing assistance as necessary to the Michigan Gaming Control Board to ensure effective regulatory and enforcement measures are in place. These duties are performed at the direction of the Enforcement Unit Commander when he/she is available, and assumes the position of command when the unit Commander is not available.

D/Sgt. 12 - State Police Detective Sergeant 12 (Team Leader) - This officer will oversee one team of investigative detective specialists charged with completing all background investigations associated with one of the casino licenses as specified by the *Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act*. This officer will also review completed backgrounds for grammar and factual content prior to submission to the unit commander. This officer may conduct portions of background investigations as workload demands. The officer may also act to assist detective specialists in complex and difficult situations. This officer will be responsible to consolidate various portions of investigations and provide a completed package to the unit commander.

D/Sgt. 12 - State Police Detective Sergeant 12 (Team Information & Utility Specialist) - This officer will provide information, specialized interview and investigative ability, and problem solving techniques to one of the investigative teams charged with completing all background investigations associated with one of the casino licenses as specified by the *Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act*. This officer will coordinate and systematically organize tasks to supply each team with a constant flow of current information, analysis, and intelligence. This officer may conduct portions of background investigations as workload demands. This officer may also act to assist team leaders and detective specialists in complex and difficult situations. As necessary, this officer will assist team leaders with the coordination of background investigations.

D/Sgt. 12 – State Police Detective Sergeant 12 (Enforcement Supervisor) – This officer will provide supervision to Enforcement D/Spls. assigned to a casino sub-unit. They will also assign regulatory inspections and related tasks to D/Spls. and work to ensure proper compliance with the Michigan Gaming Control Board and Revenue Act, the Administrative Rules, and Casino Internal Controls. This individual will also supervise investigations into criminal activity at the casino. This officer will also assist D/Spls. in completing their assignments, duties, and investigations.

D/Spl. 11 – State Police Detective Specialist (Trooper 11) Enforcement – This officer will conduct regulatory inspections and related tasks as directed by superiors. The function of this position is to ensure casino operator compliance with the Michigan Gaming Control Board and Revenue Act, the MGCB Administrative Rules, and the Internal Controls. This position is also responsible to respond to criminal activity and initiate investigations into casino related and non-casino-related crimes.

Management Assistant - Secretary 9 - This person serves as a management assistant to the Gaming Section Commander. This person coordinates office activities and performs secretarial assignments for management staff in support of on-going operations that surround the licensing, regulation, and enforcement of legalized gaming. This person also tracks budgetary expenses and processes financial transactions.

Secretary 8 - This person provides secretarial support to Investigative and Enforcement Units. This person also completes typing of background investigations and performs secretarial services for detective sergeants and lieutenants in support of on-going operations for the licensing, regulation, and enforcement of legalized gaming.

Microcomputer Technician, Information Technology Technician – This person provides computer support to the Enforcement Unit.

Immediate Past Position of the Enlisted Employees Assigned

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Current Position</u>	<u>Immediate Past Position</u>
Insp.	Section Commander	Assistant District Commander

D/F/Lt.	Investigative Unit Commander	USB - 2 nd District HQ Lt. – Ypsilanti Post USB - 2 nd District
D/F/Lt.	Enforcement Unit Commander	D/Lt. – Western Wayne Narcotic SECID - 2nd District
D/Sgt.	Background Investigator Greektown Appl.	Detroit Post – Road Patrol USB - 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Sgt.	Team Leader Greektown Appl.	Gaming Section – ISB/SECID D/Spl., Background Investigator
D/Sgt.	Supplier Team Leader Investigative Unit	SECID – Gaming – Investigative Unit ISB – Livonia, D/Spl. Background Inv.
D/Sgt.	Team Info & Utility Sp. Greektown Appl.	Sergeant - Special Operations USB – ELHQ – Traffic Services
D/Sgt.	Vendor Team Leader Investigative Unit -	SECID – Gaming – Enforcement Unit ISB – Livonia, D/Spl. Casino Enf.
D/Sgt. (Position Vacant) Officer Promoted	Team Info & Utility Sp. MGM Appl.	
D/Sgt.	D/Sgt. Follow-up Investigator Enforcement Unit	
D/Sgt.	D/Sergeant Follow-up Investigator Enforcement Unit	SECID – Gaming – Enforcement Unit ISB – Livonia, D/Spl., Background Inv.
D/Sgt. (Position Vacant) Officer Promoted	Casino Supervisor Enforcement Unit – Motor City Casino	
D/Sgt. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Casino Supervisor Enforcement Unit – Motor City Casino	
D/Sgt.	Casino Supervisor Enforcement Unit – MGM Casino	Detroit Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Sgt.
D/Sgt.	Casino Supervisor Enforcement Unit – MGM Casino	Metro North – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Sgt.
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Greektown Appl.	Richmond Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Background Investigator Greektown Appl.	
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Greektown Appl.	Bay City Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.

<u><i>Employee</i></u>	<u><i>Current Position</i></u>	<u><i>Immediate Past Position</i></u>
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Occupational Team – Investigative Unit	Jackson Post – Road Patrol USB – 1st District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Retired	Background Investigator Greektown Appl.	
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Occupational Team – Investigative Unit	Metro South Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Background Investigator Supplier Team – Investigative Unit	
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Supplier Team – Investigative Unit	Metro South Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Greektown Team – Investigative Unit	Bridgeport Post – Road Patrol USB – 3rd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Background Investigator Supplier Team – Investigative Unit	Grand Haven Post – Road Patrol USB – 6th District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Background Investigator Occupational Team – Investigative Unit	
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	Manistee Post – Road Patrol USB – 7th District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	Metro North Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	Bay City Post – Road Patrol USB – 3rd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	SECID – DRANO ISB – Livonia, D/Spl.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Promoted	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	Detroit Freeway Post USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	Detroit Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	Detroit Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	
D/Spl.	Enforcement Investigator Motor City Casino – Enforcement	Metro South Post – Road Patrol USB – 2nd District, Tpr.
D/Spl. (Position Vacant) Officer Transferred	Enforcement Investigator MGM Grand Casino – Enforcement	