4-01/070.15 - Reassignment of Cases with An Identified Multi-Area Series/Pattern

The appropriate Detective Division Unit shall assume primary assignment for cases that have been identified as being multi-area series/pattern crimes.

Multi-area series/pattern crimes are multijurisdictional/ multi-geographical crimes of a related nature where evidence indicates the same suspect is involved.

Prior to assumption of primary assignment by the Detective Division, all units handling cases that are included in the multi-area series/pattern shall be contacted and advised of the reasons for reassignment.

Prior to relinquishment of primary assignment by station detectives, the appropriate Detective Division Unit shall be contacted and its concurrence that the case belongs to a multi-area series/pattern of cases obtained.