The MIT community has grown accustomed to a barrage of increases such as tuition, fees, meal plans, housing, equality, and total student expenses. MIT Campus Police provided a welcome break from that barrage recently, with the release of its annual report for 1982.

The essence of the report is decrease. Crimes against persons on campus decreased 20 percent from the previous year, motor vehicle thefts 13 percent, and bicycle thefts a stunning 57 percent. Theft of Institute property decreased 39 percent, non-residents' personal property 30 percent, and residents' personal property 52 percent.

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The MIT Campus Police provides an outstanding model for police in any community, large or small. Other police departments would do well to emulate its example of mutual respect with its constituents.

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