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The objectives of the study are to identify the problems involving suppression of copyright law violation by police officers in Bangkok metropolitan area and, the factors causing the problems. The subjects were 162 police officers from the  $3^{rd}$  subdivision of the Economic Crime Investigation Division, the  $1^{st}$  subdivision of the Crime Suppression Division and the  $1^{st} - 9^{th}$  Metropolitan Police Detective Subdivisions. The data were collected through questionnaires. The results of the study are as follows:

- 1. The problems concerning suppression of the copyright law violation for music cassette tapes from maximum to minimum were; the influence agents, the illicit benefit, the searching, the arrest, the detection, the investigation, the evidence/witness and the court trial respectively.
- 2. The problems in suppression of the copyright law violation concerning music and movies video tapes from maximum to minimum were; the influence agents, the illicit benefit, the arrest, the detection, the searching, the investigation the evidence/witness and the court trial respectively.
- 3. The problems in suppression of the copyright law violation concerning music and movies compact discs from maximum to minimum were; the influence agents, the arrest, the detection, the illicit benefit, the searching, the investigation, the evidence/witness and the court trial respectively.
- 4. The problems in suppression of the copyright law violation concerning computer program compact discs from maximum to minimum were the influence agents, the illicit benefit, the arrest, the detection, the searching, the investigation the evidence/witness and the court trial respectively.

The researcher recommends that the higher ranking super-ordinates should support the operations of copyright law violation suppression more strictly by eliminating the obstacles of operations especially the influence of and the illicit benefit from the governmental agents and the business sector, including establishing the awareness of the people concerning the disadvantage of purchasing the illegal products.