

iCame, iSaw, iCrime: Exploring the Personal Technology–Violent Crime Connection**Tuesday, March 4, 2008**

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