

Co-operation Agreement

Between

**The International Criminal Police Organization-
INTERPOL General Secretariat**



and



**The Health Sciences Authority of Singapore in the Area
of Training for Investigation and Testing of Counterfeit
Medical Products**

The **International Criminal Police Organization-INTERPOL General Secretariat** (hereinafter referred to as “the INTERPOL General Secretariat”)

and

the Health Sciences Authority of Singapore (hereinafter referred to as "HSA"):

Recognizing that, pursuant to Article 2 of its Constitution, INTERPOL aims to ensure and promote the widest possible mutual assistance between all criminal police authorities within the limits of the laws existing in the different countries, and in the spirit of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

Recognizing that one of the four core functions developed by INTERPOL in order to achieve its mandate is Police Training and Development,

Considering that it is in the common interest of INTERPOL and HSA to contribute to police co-operation through learning and through strengthening training activities in areas of investigation and testing of counterfeit medical products for law enforcement officers,

Considering that Article 26(e) of the INTERPOL Constitution provides that the INTERPOL General Secretariat shall maintain contact with national and international authorities, and that it is empowered to enter into negotiations on a co-operation agreement with HSA for that purpose,

Bearing in mind that INTERPOL is fighting against the dangers of counterfeit medical products in the framework of the global coalition of stakeholders named IMPACT.

Recognizing that a close cooperation between INTERPOL and HSA would contribute effectively to the prevention and suppression of counterfeiting medical products;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1
PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to enhance co-operation between the INTERPOL General Secretariat and HSA in strengthening training activities in areas of investigation and testing of counterfeit medical products for law enforcement officers, in particular through the prevention and suppression of counterfeiting medical products.

Article 2
POINTS OF CONTACT

1. Each institution designates a point of contact to develop and co-ordinate the day-to-day co-operation between the two Parties.
2. The INTERPOL General Secretariat and HSA, via their respective points of contact, shall consult each other regularly on policy issues and matters of common interest for the purpose of realizing their objectives and co-ordinating their respective activities.
3. In particular, the INTERPOL General Secretariat, within the limits of its functions and for the purpose of the present Agreement, informs HSA about new programmes, priorities and activities to facilitate planning training activities accordingly. HSA informs the INTERPOL General Secretariat about new projects and activities.
4. Meetings between the INTERPOL General Secretariat and HSA will take place as often as necessary to discuss issues relating to their co-operation in general and, in particular:
 - a. the evaluation of their co-operation;
 - b. aspects of future co-operation;
 - c. the development of course materials;
 - d. the participation of INTERPOL officials in seminars and conferences and in the development and the implementation of common curricula; and the participation of the HSA Academy officials in INTERPOL courses, seminars and conferences.

Article 3

ORGANIZATION OF TRAINING ACTIVITIES

1. The Parties shall, as far as possible and subject to such arrangements as may be deemed necessary, enable each other's access to all necessary facilities and equipment within their respective premises.
2. The organization of any activity under this Agreement shall be subject to the availability and sufficiency of funding and such other resources as may be required in the organization of such activity on the part of the organizing Party.
3. The Parties agree to co-operate in the organization of:
 - a. courses, seminars, conferences, common curricula, training activities and research in the area of counterfeit medicines;
 - b. Discussions and think tank sessions to tackle sensitive matters and /or explore innovative ways of solving issues that arise from the fight against counterfeit medical products.

Article 4

COURSE MATERIAL AND COMMON CURRICULA

1. The Parties shall support each other in the development of course material and common curricula for training activities.
2. If and when developed, the content of the INTERPOL and HSA common curricula shall be updated by the INTERPOL General Secretariat on a yearly basis. HSA shall be responsible for the administration and learning methodology concerning this common curriculum. INTERPOL experts shall be invited to participate in the implementation of courses, i.e. training of trainers, as deemed relevant for their respective curriculum. The INTERPOL General Secretariat shall co-operate in the development and implementation of the INTERPOL and HSA common curricula on counterfeit medical products within the mandate of INTERPOL.
3. The INTERPOL General Secretariat shall inform HSA about the development of new handbooks and training materials and provide periodic status reports on their development. Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for safeguarding the security and confidentiality of information contained in those handbooks and training materials, each Party shall ensure its full and prompt communication to the other Party. The latter shall ensure that those handbooks and training materials will not be used for any other purpose than training.
4. Communication of such information and documents by the INTERPOL General Secretariat to HSA shall be subject to INTERPOL rules and regulations. Communication of such information and documents by HSA to the INTERPOL General Secretariat shall be subject to HSA rules and regulations.

Article 5
USE OF THE "ICPO-INTERPOL" NAME

The name of "ICPO-INTERPOL" shall be used by HSA under the terms of the relevant Licence Agreement entered into by INTERPOL and HSA and for the purpose described in Article 2 of said Agreement.

Article 6
EXPENSES

Unless otherwise agreed, the Parties shall bear their own expenses which arise in the course of implementing the present Agreement.

Article 7
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

All disputes which may emerge in connection with the interpretation or application of the present Agreement shall be settled by means of consultation and negotiation between representatives of the Parties.

Article 8
TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This Agreement may be terminated in writing by either of the Parties with three months' notice.

Article 9
AMENDMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS

1. This Agreement may be amended at any time by mutual consent between the Parties. All the amendments and supplements must be in writing.
2. The Parties shall enter into consultations with respect to the amendment of this Agreement at the request of either of them.

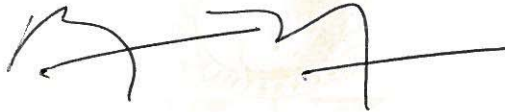
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ENTRY INTO FORCE

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day following its signature by both Parties.

In witness whereof, the INTERPOL Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer of HSA have signed the present Co-operation Agreement in two original copies in English, on the dates appearing under their respective signatures.

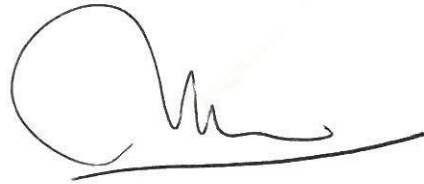
**For the International Criminal Police
Organization - INTERPOL**

**For the Health Sciences Authority
of Singapore**



Ronald K. Noble
Secretary General

Date:



Dr John C W LIM
Chief Executive Officer

Date: