



## Resolution No. 4

AG-2015-RES-04

**Subject:** BASELINE – An ICSE tool empowering public and private entities to recognize, report and remove child (sexual) abuse material from their networks

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Kigali, Rwanda, from 2 to 5 November 2015 at its 84th session,

BEARING IN MIND Article 41 of INTERPOL's Constitution,

DEEPLY CONCERNED about the growth of child (sexual) abuse material circulating on the Internet,

BEARING IN MIND that each of these images and films is a record of sexual abuse on a child and their continued circulation online is a form of re-victimization,

HAVING IN MIND the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child that entered into force on 2 September 1990 and the Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography that entered into force on 18 January 2002,

RECOGNIZING that member countries engage in investigation of this material in an effort to identify the location of the children and therefore remove them from further harm using the International Child Sexual Exploitation database (ICSE) housed at the General Secretariat,

STRONGLY ENCOURAGES prevention as an essential element in dealing with the issue of the possession and distribution of child (sexual) abuse material (CAM);

URGES public and private entities to be vigilant and ensure that their networks are not being used to store, view or propagate child (sexual) abuse material either internally or on the Internet;

HAVING NOTED that file signatures are a valuable resource for network administrators to be able to recognize child (sexual) abuse material and allow it to be reported to the appropriate authorities, removed from their systems, and prevented from being uploaded again,

CONVINCED that empowering public and private entities to recognize, report and remove known child (sexual) abuse material contributes to the prevention of identified CAM from further storage, circulation or distribution within their networks or access by third parties,

CONSIDERING the Standard Agreement on General Conditions for cooperation with private entities in the framework of the Baseline project given in Report AG-2015-RAP-16,

NOTING that, pursuant to Article 36 of the Constitution, the General Secretariat has sought the opinion of the Commission for the Control of INTERPOL's Files on this Standard Agreement, and that the Commission's recommendations have been incorporated into the Standard Agreement,

APPROVES the Standard Agreement as given in Report AG-2015-RAP-16;

TASKS the Secretary General to conclude long-term agreements with private entities from the Internet industry or related fields for the supply of the Baseline list using the Standard Agreement;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary General to sign these agreements.

**Adopted**