



RESOLUTION

Subject: Draft Cooperation Agreement between the International Criminal Police Organization – INTERPOL and the Southern African Development Community (SADC)

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam, from 31 October to 3 November 2011 at its 80th session:

BEARING IN MIND Article 41 of the Organization's Constitution,

CONSIDERING that the Southern African Development Community (SADC) is an inter-governmental organization and its goal is to further socio-economic cooperation and integration as well as political and security cooperation among 15 Southern African states,

CONSIDERING that the Summit of SADC Heads of State and Government in Lesotho directed that SARPCCO (Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization) become a law-enforcement structure of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), while retaining its policy and executive structures,

NOTING that, subsequent to the amendment of the SARPCCO Constitution, the SADC Secretariat shall provide secretarial services to SARPCCO and may enter into agreements with other international organizations for the provision of secretarial services,

CONSIDERING that the Cooperation Agreement will describe and strengthen the role and functions of INTERPOL through the integration of SARPCCO into SADC, clarifying the distinct role of the two organizations and preventing a duplication of activities,

CONSIDERING that INTERPOL is pursuing the goal of developing enhanced cooperation with other international organizations, and that this integration process will strengthen the presence of INTERPOL in the region,

HAVING EXAMINED Report AG-2011-RAP-07 which sets out a Draft Cooperation Agreement between the International Criminal Police Organization – INTERPOL and the Southern African Development Community (SADC),

DEEMING that the Draft Cooperation Agreement given at Appendix 1 to Report AG-2011-RAP-07 conforms to the Organization's interests and rules,

CONSIDERING that, under the terms of Article 41 of the Constitution, the Agreement will only be valid after its approval by the General Assembly;

APPROVES the Draft Cooperation Agreement at Appendix 1 to Report AG-2011-RAP-07;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary General to sign it.

Adopted