

Resolution No AGN/48/RES/8

Acts of Violence Committed by Organised Groups

MINDFUL of Article 3 of the Organization's Constitution,

NOTING that in various countries organised groups, sometimes claiming to be ideologically motivated, commit acts of violence such as murder, wounding, kidnapping, hostage-taking, unlawful interference with civil aviation, arson and bombing,

CONSIDERING that such acts of violence seriously jeopardise general public safety,

NOTING that the operations of any one of these organised groups may affect several different countries (commission or preparation of offences, escape of the offenders),

CONSIDERING that all countries belonging to the Organization are thus affected by this form of criminal activity,

THE ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Nairobi from 4th to 11th September 1979 at its 48th session:

RECOMMENDS that NCBs bring this to the attention of the appropriate authorities in their countries in order that:

1. All relevant measures may be taken to ensure the effective enforcement of the legal provisions intended to prevent and combat this form of criminal activity;
2. Existing legal provisions may be strengthened where necessary to meet general public safety requirements;
3. The Tokyo (1963), The Hague (1970) and the Montreal (1971) Conventions on civil aviation security may be ratified (where this has not already been done) and effectively enforced;

RECOMMENDS that National Central Bureaus draw the attention of the appropriate authorities in their countries to the importance of adopting international conventions aimed at improved prevention and law enforcement in regard to acts of violence committed by organised groups;

RECOMMENDS that international co-operation, within the framework provided by the ICPO-INTERPOL, in searching for members of organised groups responsible for serious crimes of violence and their accomplices, be developed as far as possible.