

Resolution No. 2

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<u>Subject:</u> Improving International Notifications and Information Sharing Regarding Travelling Child Sex Offenders by Using INTERPOL's Green Notices.

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Monaco from 3 to 7 November 2014, at its 83rd session:

NOTING that individuals with a sexual interest in children often travel to other countries, particularly developing countries, in order to sexually abuse and exploit children,

RECOGNIZING that transnational child sex offending is a global phenomenon, and can only be prevented through the efforts of both origin and destination countries,

CONSIDERING the importance of making accurate and timely information about the travel of convicted child sex offenders available to border-control and protection agencies in destination countries,

ACKNOWLEDGING that a number of INTERPOL member countries already have systems or practices in place for travel notifications, and for sharing information about child sex offenders whose travel originates in their countries,

RECOGNIZING that any notifications and information-sharing measures regarding travelling child sex offenders must comply with national and international standards regarding the privacy of individuals and protection of fundamental rights,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that the right of child sex offenders to travel freely should be balanced with the right of children worldwide to protection from all forms of sexual exploitation and sexual abuse,

CONVINCED that INTERPOL can play a major role in facilitating the sharing of timely information between countries regarding travelling child sex offenders, providing notifications regarding the travel of such offenders, and promoting the transnational investigation and prosecution of offenses against children,

ENCOURAGES member countries, within the limits of their national regulatory frameworks, to develop notification-sharing and information-sharing measures regarding travelling child sex offenders to ensure better protection of children from convicted offenders;

FURTHER ENCOURAGES member countries to work together through INTERPOL on the establishment of a global system for notification and information sharing on travelling child sex offenders, which makes information instantly available while being transparent, accessible, and fair;

URGES member countries to extend the INTERPOL I-24/7 secure global communications network to border and specialized police authorities and to seek the publication of green notices and diffusions in order to notify destination countries about travelling child sex offenders in a timely and systematic manner and encourage the regular sharing of appropriate information regarding such offenders.

Approved