

RESOLUTION

Subject: Registration of INTERPOL's Constitution under Article 102 of the United Nations Charter

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

RECALLING that the International Criminal Police Commission (ICPC) was created in 1923, and that its constituent instrument was revised in 1939 and 1946,

RECALLING FURTHER that the new Constitution of the International Criminal Police Organization (ICPO-INTERPOL) was adopted at the 25th session of the ICPC General Assembly, held in Vienna from 7 to 13 June 1956,

BEARING IN MIND that the 1956 Constitution defines INTERPOL as an international organization with a clear mandate, its own bodies, possessing an international legal personality and an existence separate from its member countries,

UNDERLINING that the Organization is recognized as an international, independent legal entity by governments, courts and tribunals, as well as by other intergovernmental organizations, particularly the United Nations,

CONSIDERING Resolution AG-2006-RES-04 (Statement to Reaffirm the Independence and Political Neutrality of INTERPOL), by which the General Assembly confirmed the principles of neutrality and independence enshrined in INTERPOL's Constitution,

CONSIDERING ALSO Recommendation ERC-2010-REC-02 of the European Regional Conference on the registration of INTERPOL's Constitution with the United Nations, according to which the Conference recommended that the Constitution be submitted for registration and publication by the United Nations,

NOTING the past studies conducted by working groups established by the General Assembly, by the Executive Committee, and by the General Secretariat,

CONCLUDES, in light of the above, that INTERPOL's Constitution is to be considered as the international agreement establishing the International Criminal Police Organization – INTERPOL;

CONSIDERS that registration and publication of INTERPOL's Constitution with the United Nations will clarify the nature of INTERPOL's Constitution and facilitate collaboration by the Organization with its member countries and with other international entities, without creating additional obligations on member countries;

DECIDES that INTERPOL's Constitution should be submitted for registration and publication by the United Nations;

TASKS the General Secretariat to take all necessary steps for the purpose of submitting the Constitution to the Secretariat of the United Nations to be registered and published in accordance with Article 102 of the United Nations Charter.