

<p>RESOLUTION No. AGN/57/RES/10</p> <p><u>SUBJECT:</u></p> <p>Development of police co-operation in Europe</p>	<p>TO BE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p>1 copy in the CHRONOLOGICAL SERIES Year: 1988</p> <p>2 copies in the SUBJECT SERIES</p> <p>Heading: Basic texts and internal management of the ICPO-Interpol</p> <p>Sub-heading: Role of the General Secretariat and the National Central Bureaus</p> <p>Sub-heading: Financial matters and the Financial Regulations</p>
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TEXT OF RESOLUTION

NOTING the European Member States' determination to intensify their co-operation,

AWARE of the close cultural, social and economic links between the European Member States which have already led to some easing of border controls within the region,

ASSUMING that this easing process will continue,

GIVEN that criminals are taking increasing advantage of this situation,

REALIZING that official contacts between European law enforcement agencies are still governed by a multitude of bilateral and multilateral agreements and complicated procedures which are not always appropriate for dealing with this situation,

RECOGNIZING that international crime within Europe can be countered more effectively if police departments are able to contact each other easily and without delay,

CONSIDERING that the existing rules on international co-operation allow for the possibility of facilitating such contacts through the National Central Bureaus,

MINDFUL of Resolution 54/AGN/RES/3 concerning the establishment of a European Secretariat,

NOTING the fact that, outside Europe, regional bureaus have been or are being created, and also the wish of European Members that the structure for co-operation within Europe should be improved,

BELIEVING that a liaison unit at the General Secretariat could be a valuable instrument for achieving such an objective,

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Bangkok from 17th to 23rd November 1988 at its 57th session:

DECIDES that:

- (1) The European Secretariat at the General Secretariat shall be expanded and shall act as a European Liaison Office, staffed by specialized officers from the European countries;
- (2) The officers assigned to this Liaison Office shall be paid by their countries of origin, and their legal status shall be according to the Staff Rules of the Organization;
- (3) This extended European Secretariat will undertake the following tasks:
 - act as a secretariat for European Interpol activities,
 - assist in the arrangement of European meetings,
 - identify subjects for discussion by the Technical Committee on Co-operation in Europe and other ICPO-Interpol meetings in Europe,
 - assist in the preparation of European Regional Conferences,
 - liaise between the General Secretariat and the Technical Committee on Co-operation in Europe,
 - advise on legal and technical possibilities for investigations in European countries,
 - assist exchanges of particular police information about ongoing criminal investigations,
 - provide comprehensive monitoring of complicated ongoing investigations and co-ordination of those measures,
 - organize and support ad hoc working groups on specific cases,
 - plan and assist European programmes on crime prevention and suppression,
 - contribute to the development of an integrated crime intelligence system within Europe,
 - encourage and assist with any other initiative contributing to improve co-operation between European Member States;
- (4) The expenditure incurred by this extension of the European Secretariat should be met from the Eurodrug contributions paid by the European Member States.