



CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL POLICE ORGANIZATION
(ICPO-INTERPOL)**

AND

**THE MARITIME ANALYSIS AND OPERATIONS
CENTRE - NARCOTICS
(MAOC-N)**

The International Criminal Police Organization-INTERPOL (hereinafter referred to as **INTERPOL**) represented by its Secretary General,

And

The Maritime Analysis and Operations Centre - Narcotics (hereinafter referred to as **MAOC-N**) represented by its Executive Director,

Hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

Wishing to co-ordinate their efforts within the framework of the missions assigned to them;

Recognizing that INTERPOL is an independent intergovernmental organization responsible for ensuring the promotion of the widest possible mutual assistance between all criminal police authorities within the limits of the laws existing in the different countries and in the spirit of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and for the establishment and development of all institutions likely to contribute effectively to the prevention and suppression of ordinary law crimes in accordance with its Statute;

Having in mind that under its Constitution it is strictly forbidden for INTERPOL to undertake any intervention or activities of a political, military, religious or racial character;

Recognizing that MAOC-N is an operational platform established by 7 Member Countries of the European Union (France, Ireland, Italy, Spain, Netherlands, Portugal and the United Kingdom), with financial support from the Prevention against Crime Programme of the European Union, to provide a basis for engagement in multi-lateral cooperation to suppress illicit drug trafficking by sea and by air;

Considering that INTERPOL is pursuing the goal of developing enhanced cooperation with other international and regional organizations;

Recognizing accordingly the desirability of INTERPOL and MAOC-N co-operating in efforts to suppress illicit drug trafficking by sea and air;

Have agreed on the following:

ARTICLE 1

PURPOSE

The purpose of the present Agreement is to establish a framework for cooperation between the Parties, within their respective competencies and subject to their respective rules and regulations.

ARTICLE 2

FRAMEWORK OF THE COOPERATION

1. The co-operation and interaction between the Parties shall include the exchange of data and other materials pertaining to the following subject matters:
 - illicit trafficking by sea and air conveyances
 - maritime security
 - stolen vessels / aircraft and links to trafficking
2. The Parties shall not exchange any personal data within the framework of the present agreement.

ARTICLE 3

EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

1. INTERPOL and MAOC-N agree to combine their efforts within their respective mandate and regulations to achieve the best use of all available information for the purpose of the prevention or suppression of transnational ordinary law crime.
2. Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for the safeguarding of the security, confidentiality and processing conditions of information exchanged between INTERPOL and MAOC-N in the context of this Agreement, INTERPOL and MAOC-N agree to the complete and prompt exchange of information and documents concerning matters of common interest, within the framework of activities and objectives of each Party.
3. Information exchanged between INTERPOL and MAOC-N shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the present Agreement, with due respect for national laws and international law.
4. The provision of information by INTERPOL to MAOC-N shall be subject to INTERPOL's rules and regulations, in particular INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data ("the RPD"). The provision of information by MAOC-N to INTERPOL shall be subject to MAOC-N's rules and regulations.
5. When providing information, each Party shall use their best effort to ensure that it is accurate, relevant and up to date. Prior to the use of any information provided by one Party, the other Party must check with the providing Party that the information is still accurate and relevant.

ARTICLE 4
RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION

1. Arrangements shall be made for reciprocal representation of INTERPOL and MAOC-N to meetings convened under their respective auspices and which consider matters in which the other Party has an interest or technical competence in, in accordance with the procedures applicable to each meeting or conference.
2. The Secretary General of INTERPOL and the Executive Director of MAOC-N shall each designate a person to act as a focal point with a view to ensuring the implementation of the provisions of the present Cooperation Agreement.

ARTICLE 5
CONSULTATION

When necessary, the Parties shall conduct consultations for the purposes of coordination and better efficiency of co-operation and interaction provided for in the present Agreement. The Parties may also propose other co-operative fields and modalities based on the experience gained in the course of implementation of the provisions set forth in the present Agreement.

ARTICLE 6
IMPLEMENTATION

INTERPOL and MAOC-N may, for the purposes of implementing this Agreement, enter into arrangements or conclude further agreements as may be found appropriate.

ARTICLE 7
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and application of this Supplementary Arrangement shall be settled by negotiations.

ARTICLE 8
AMENDMENT, ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

1. This Agreement may be amended with the written agreement of the Parties.
2. This Agreement shall enter into force following the exchange of written notifications confirming the completion by both organizations of their internal requirements in this respect.
3. Either Party may terminate the present Agreement by giving written notice of termination to the other Party. The termination shall be effective three months after it is delivered to the receiving Party, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.
4. The obligations concerning the exchange of information referred to in the present Agreement and eventual Annexes shall continue to be binding on both Parties after the termination of the present Agreement.

In witness whereof, the Secretary General of the International Criminal Police Organization - INTERPOL, duly authorized by the INTERPOL General Assembly, and the Executive Director of the Maritime Analysis and Operations Centre - Narcotics have signed the present Agreement in two original copies, in English on the dates appearing under their respective signatures.

**For the International Criminal Police
Organization - INTERPOL**

**For the Maritime Analysis and Operations
Centre – Narcotics**



Ronald K. Noble
Secretary General

Frank Francis
Executive Director

Date: 6/11/2014

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Place: Monaco

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