

**RESOLUTION**

**Subject:** Combating sexual exploitation of children on the Internet using all available technical solutions, including access-blocking by INTERPOL member countries

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Singapore from 11 to 15 October 2009 at its 78th session:

CONSIDERING the importance of the worldwide fight against child sexual exploitation,

BEARING IN MIND that the Internet plays a central role worldwide in the dissemination of child sexual abuse images, taking advantage of gaps in legislation in certain countries,

NOTING that the dissemination of child sexual abuse images via the Internet has significantly increased in recent years,

ACKNOWLEDGING that a number of INTERPOL member countries are already putting in place preventive measures, including the technical tools to block access to websites containing child sexual abuse images, and that other initiatives are currently developing a similar approach,

CONVINCED that INTERPOL can play a major role in detecting, disrupting and dismantling networks, organizations or structures used for the production and/or distribution of child sexual abuse images, and in identifying and rescuing the victims as well as identifying and arresting offenders,

ENCOURAGES member countries to promote the use of all the technical tools available, including access-blocking of websites containing child sexual abuse images, in order to intensify the fight by their national specialized units against the dissemination of child sexual abuse images on the Internet;

ENCOURAGES member countries to systematically provide the INTERPOL General Secretariat with updated lists of websites containing child sexual abuse images for dissemination to INTERPOL member countries, so as to enable them to take appropriate action;

TASKS the INTERPOL General Secretariat to maintain and disseminate to the National Central Bureaus a worldwide list of URLs (Internet addresses) which contains those websites that publish the most severe child abuse material.

**Adopted.**