

RESOLUTION

Subject: Creation of an Interpol Anti-Corruption Academy

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 19 to 22 September 2006 at its 75th session:

NOTING that corruption in the public service, including the police services, universally undermines the effectiveness of law enforcement, weakens the efficiency and legitimacy of police forces/services in the performance of their functions, and erodes public confidence in law enforcement and justice,

BEING CONVINCED that such corruption can be prevented and eradicated, but requires sustained, determined, and forceful action by all Members, supported by international co-operation,

RECALLING previous resolutions supported by the General Assembly dealing with combating corruption, namely Resolution AGN/68/RES/4 (Seoul, 1999), Resolution AGN/69/RES/5 (Rhodes, 2000), Resolution AG-2001-RES-04 (Budapest), and Resolution AG-2002-RES-01 (Yaounde),

BEARING IN MIND the strong commitment of member countries in these resolutions to support the efforts of the Interpol Group of Experts on Corruption (IGEC), and COMMENDING the dedication of the IGEC in its continued efforts to enhance the global reach and efficacy of Interpol's anti-corruption programs, as well as their efforts to take anti-corruption counter measures to new levels,

RECOGNIZING the significance, especially to law enforcement, of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, and its emphasis on training and technical assistance, and encouraging all member countries to ratify this Convention,

ACKNOWLEDGING the cultural and linguistic diversity of our Membership and that any training concept take this into account in order to be effective and viable,

HAVING EXAMINED Report AG-2006-RAP-22, entitled 'Creation of an Interpol Anti-Corruption Academy', including the need to secure external funding of 15 million Euros, prior to the opening of the Academy, to cover the operating expenses of the Academy for the first three years, after which it is anticipated that the Academy will become self sustaining.

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT:

- Fighting corruption continues to be a priority for law enforcement,
- Officers dedicated to fighting corruption require high levels of specialized training,
- training in the field of anti-corruption needs to be developed and standardized, in accordance with the United Nations Convention against Corruption,

And therefore

AGREES to the creation of an Interpol Anti-Corruption Academy in Vienna, Austria;

TASKS the Interpol General Secretariat on behalf of the Organization to take all precautions necessary to ensure the sustainability of the Academy; and,

REQUESTS to be kept informed of all developments related to the Academy.

Adopted.