

Resolution No. 8

AG-2013-RES-08

Subject: Extrabudgetary resources

The ICPO INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, from 21 to 24 October 2013 at its 82nd session:

HAVING REGARD TO Articles 8, 29 and 38 of the Organization's Constitution,

BEARING IN MIND Report AG-2012-RAP-13 on INTERPOL's Evolving Funding Model, which concluded on the need to review the current legal procedures relating to the Organization's funding and set a timetable of work to that effect,

BEARING IN MIND the work done by the Working Group on INTERPOL's Evolving Funding Model set up by the General Secretariat and composed of representatives of over 20 INTERPOL member countries,

BEARING IN MIND Report AG-2013-RAP-01 submitted by the General Secretariat on the basis of the conclusions made by the Working Group,

AWARE of the need to seek additional sources of funding, given the Organization's increasing financial needs and the insufficient income from statutory contributions,

CONSIDERING that, to this end, it is important to create a legal framework for the collection, acceptance, management and use of extrabudgetary resources which will allow the governing bodies to exercise their role of supervising such funding,

CONSIDERING that the search for extrabudgetary resources requires the use of new financial instruments such as trust funds and foundations,

ALSO BEARING IN MIND Articles 51 and 55 of the Organization's General Regulations, under the terms of which it is competent to approve any modifications to the Financial Regulations by a two thirds majority in conformity with Article 44 of the Constitution,

HAVING STUDIED the opinion given by the ad hoc Committee set up in application of Article 56 of the Organization's General Regulations,

RECALLING that, in application of Article 8 of INTERPOL's Constitution, the General Assembly is empowered to:

- determine principles and lay down the general measures suitable for attaining the objectives of the Organization as given in Article 2;
- determine any other regulations deemed necessary,

ALSO RECALLING that, in application of Article 29 of INTERPOL's Constitution, the Secretary General administers the Organization's budget according to the directives decided upon by the General Assembly or Executive Committee, AG-2013-RAP-01,

WELCOMES the Final Conclusions of the Working Group on INTERPOL's Evolving Funding Model as guiding principles for the Secretary General when drafting a Programme and detailed technical regulations on the management of extrabudgetary resources, as set out at Appendix 1 to the present report;

ADOPTS:

- the INTERPOL Guidelines for Extrabudgetary Resources, as set out at Appendix 2 to the present report;
- the Guidelines on INTERPOL's Relations with Foundations and Similar Institutions, as set out at Appendix 3 to the present report;
- the proposed procedures and main pillars set out in Appendix to the resolution;

ASKS the Secretary General to:

- submit to the General Assembly at its 83rd session a draft programme of the Organization's special activities to be funded by extrabudgetary resources;
- submit to the General Assembly at its 83rd session draft detailed technical regulations on the management of extrabudgetary resources;

ASKS the Executive Committee, acting in application of Article 38(b) of the Organization's Constitution, to oversee the process to finalize these detailed technical regulations on the management of extrabudgetary resources.

Adopted: 112 votes in favour, 3 against, 7 abstentions

PROCEDURES/MAIN PILLARS PROPOSED FOR THE UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF EXTRA-BUDGETARY RESOURCES AND RELATED MATTERS

1. STRONGER ROLE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1.1 Consultation of the Executive Committee

- 1. Prior to accepting extrabudgetary resources, the Secretary General shall submit to the Executive Committee:
 - a) Any proposed contribution to a trust fund or a special account, the amount of which is equal to or greater than 500,000 euros, with the exception of contributions proposed by the Organization's Members or by intergovernmental organizations;
 - b) Any proposed contribution to a trust fund or a special account, acceptance of which will or is likely to result, directly or indirectly, in additional financial obligations for the Organization;
 - c) Any proposed contribution linked to a plan to establish a complex¹ public-private partnership;
 - d) Any proposed contribution to a trust fund or special account for which the Secretary General considers that the Executive Committee's prior approval is necessary.
- 2. The proposed contributions shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval.

1.2 Regular reports to the Executive Committee

- 1. The Secretary General shall regularly inform the Executive Committee of all the decisions that he has taken to accept extrabudgetary resources.
- 2. The Secretary General shall report to the Executive Committee on any difficulties encountered in the management of extrabudgetary resources.
- 3. The Secretary General shall submit the annual activity report of the due diligence officer to the Executive Committee.

¹ Complex means among others: when it concerns an agreement with a large multinational company, when the PPP deals with a minimum of 1 million €, when it concerns possible judicial obstacles, when it concerns a high risk for the organization

2. DUE-DILIGENCE

2.1. Due-diligence Process

- 1. The Executive Committee shall adopt due-diligence directives for checking the integrity of donors and their reputation in financial and legal matters.
- 2. The Secretary General shall establish due-diligence procedures, in conformity with the directives of the Executive Committee, for the staff responsible for these checks.

2.2. Due-Diligence Officer and his/her independence

- 1. With the prior approval of the Executive Committee, the Secretary General shall appoint a specialist to ensure the daily supervision of due diligence, in application of the directives adopted by the Executive Committee and the procedures established by the Secretary General.
- 2. The due diligence officer shall perform his/her duties independently.
- 3. If the Secretary General decides to accept extrabudgetary resources despite the contrary recommendation of the due-diligence officer, he/she shall inform the Executive Committee. In this case, the Secretary General's decision and the specialist's recommendation shall be brought to the attention of the Executive Committee.

3. EXIT STRATEGY

3.1. Exit Strategy for running and future Projects

- 1. The Organization will not establish relations with donors, or will cease existing relations with donors, that do not share the basic values and principles of the Organization or cease to adhere to such values and principles.
- 2. The funding of a special activity may be interrupted at any time following a decision by the Secretary General after consultation with the donors.

4. TEMPORARY PROCEDURE 2013 – 2014

4.1. Temporary Procedure

- 1. A temporary procedure concerning the acceptance of extrabudgetary resources by the Secretary General should be discussed and implemented between the 82nd and the 83rd session of the General Assembly.
- 2. Before adoption of the detailed rules by the General Assembly at its 83rd session, the Secretary General shall only accept extrabudgetary resources with a limit of 500.000 euro. If the resources exceed the limit of 500.000 euro, the Secretary General shall ask the approval of the Executive Committee.

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