

RESOLUTION

Subject: Draft Working Arrangement between INTERPOL and the European Agency for the Management of Operational Co-operation at the Borders of the Member States of the European Union (FRONTEX)

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in St Petersburg, Russia, from 7 to 10 October 2008 at its 77th session:

BEARING IN MIND Article 41 of the Organization's Constitution which states that the general provisions concerning the relations with international, intergovernmental or non-governmental organizations will only be valid after their approval by the General Assembly,

BEARING IN MIND the INTERPOL's Rules on the processing of information for the purposes of international police co-operation,

HAVING EXAMINED Report AG-2008-RAP-19 which sets out a draft Working Arrangement with FRONTEX,

BEARING IN MIND that FRONTEX is a body of the European Community whose objectives are to improve the integrated management of the external borders of the Member States of the European Union, to facilitate the application of existing and future Community measures relating to the management of external borders by ensuring the co-ordination of Member States' actions, and to provide the Commission and the Member States with the necessary technical support and expertise on the subject matter,

RECOGNIZING the interest for the ICPO-INTERPOL and FRONTEX to enter into a working arrangement to co-operate in the fields of cross-border crime prevention and detection as well as targeted operational activities, in particular in terms of border security to combat illegal immigration, smuggling of people and trafficking in human beings,

DEEMING that the draft Working Arrangement hereby submitted is in conformity with the Organization's mandate, interests and rules,

APPROVES the draft Working Arrangement between INTERPOL and FRONTEX, contained in Appendix 3 to Report AG-2008-RAP-19;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary General to sign it.

Adopted