



RESOLUTION

Subject: Raising awareness of INTERPOL's CBRNe Programme

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Hanoi, Vietnam, from 31 October to 3 November 2011, at its 80th session:

NOTING that crimes, including terrorist attacks, which involve chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) materials are low-incidence, high-impact crimes,

NOTING that due to the high human and economic costs associated with CBRN-related crimes, intelligence-driven, prevention-orientated investigation is the recommended approach for member country police services,

NOTING that preparing for such investigations and their related operations requires a commitment of resources from member countries,

NOTING that police services with advanced capabilities in preventing CBRN-related crime are faced with increasing requests for bilateral liaison and training assistance,

NOTING the international best practice whereby police services couple their CBRN units and their explosives units to create greater efficiencies in their organizations,

NOTING the role of INTERPOL to promote international police coordination in initiatives concerning CBRN and explosives (CBRNe) issues,

URGES all member countries, via their respective National Central Bureaus, to:

1. support the significant role that the General Secretariat can play in assisting member countries' police services in facing the CBRNe challenge, a role that, consistent with international best practices, should span the mission of CBRNe intelligence analysis, prevention programming and operations;
2. support the General Secretariat's CBRNe Terrorism Prevention Programme's efforts to provide member countries with modality-specific intelligence products on a regular basis; assist with capacity-building in prevention programming and investigative and operational response; act as an intermediary between services with advanced CBRNe capabilities and other services, upon request and where appropriate; and, upon request, to act as a resource when member countries are faced with a CBRNe-related operational matter consistent with INTERPOL priorities;
3. support the INTERPOL CBRNe Programme by seconding officers to the General Secretariat from member countries whose police services possess advanced CBRNe capabilities, and by making national specific expertise available to the INTERPOL CBRNe Programme;
4. support the INTERPOL CBRNe Programme as a valuable international multilateral liaison opportunity that will efficiently add impact to member countries' national programmes and thereby enhance global law enforcement's preparedness to prevent or respond to CBRNe-related terrorism.

Adopted