

RESOLUTION

Subject: Co-operation with the European Central Bank

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Budapest from 24 to 28 September 2001, at its 70th session:

BEARING IN MIND Resolution AGN/64/RES/11 (Beijing, 1995) encouraging the conclusion of co-operation agreements with international organizations useful to international police co-operation,

HAVING TAKEN NOTE OF Report AG-2001-RAP-15 entitled "Euro Counterfeiting",

RECOGNIZING the advantages of formalizing relations between the ICPO-Interpol and the European Central Bank in an agreement which would ensure the effective co-ordination of action to combat counterfeiting of euro banknotes,

ALSO RECOGNIZING that, with the introduction into circulation of euro banknotes on 1 January 2002, the rapid initiation of such co-operation is a matter of urgency,

AUTHORIZES the General Secretariat to exchange information on counterfeit euro banknotes with the European Central Bank while awaiting the conclusion of a co-operation agreement;

INSTRUCTS the General Secretariat to negotiate a co-operation agreement with the European Central Bank covering the exchange of information on counterfeit euro banknotes, in strict conformity with the Organization's rules and regulations, and to submit the said agreement to the General Assembly for approval at its next session.

Adopted.