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# OPERATION INFRA

INTERPOL'S initiative to locate and arrest fugitives worldwide

Operation Infra (**International Fugitive Round-Up and Arrest**) is a global INTERPOL initiative to locate and arrest serious international fugitives who are on the run from justice.

Organized by the Fugitive Investigative Support (FIS) unit, Operation Infra focuses on cases of fugitives wanted for serious crimes such as murder, child sexual abuse, drug trafficking, organized crime, people smuggling, human trafficking and money laundering.

Operation Infra brings together law enforcement officers from around the world in order to locate and arrest criminals who have fled their national jurisdiction.

## INTERPOL'S ACTIVITIES

Operation Infra-Red (International Fugitive Round-Up and Arrest – Red Notice) has four main objectives: to promote the global exchange of information concerning the whereabouts of fugitives wanted for serious crimes, believed to be residing abroad, with the objective of confirming their current location and status; to enhance networking between fugitive investigators and specialized units; to increase the number and enhance the quality of INTERPOL Notices and diffusions (law enforcement alerts) for fugitives involved in serious crimes; and to enhance the quality of the data stored in INTERPOL's databases regarding fugitives.

Within this context, INTERPOL has undertaken an Infra operation with a different focus each year: ▶

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## 2010: Operation Infra-Red 2010

- ▶ **Targets:** 447 cases selected
- ▶ **Area:** Global
- ▶ **Participation:** 29 INTERPOL member countries

## 2011: Operation Infra-South America (SA)

- ▶ **Targets:** 209 cases selected
- ▶ **Area:** South America
- ▶ **Participation:** 34 INTERPOL member countries

## 2012: Operation Infra-Red 2012

- ▶ **Targets:** 509 cases selected
- ▶ **Area:** Global
- ▶ **Participation:** 59 INTERPOL member countries

## 2012: Operation Infra-Southeast Asia (SEA)

- ▶ **Targets:** 58 criminals wanted internationally for sexual abuse and crimes against children
- ▶ **Area:** Southeast Asia
- ▶ **Participation:** INTERPOL's Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation unit and 21 INTERPOL member countries. The operation was also supported by Project Childhood, a joint INTERPOL/UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) initiative to reduce sexual exploitation of children by traveling child sex offenders in Southeast Asia.

## 2013: Operation Infra-Americas

- ▶ **Targets:** 266 criminals involved in organized crime, especially in drugs and firearms trafficking
- ▶ **Area:** Central America and the Caribbean
- ▶ **Participation:** 50 INTERPOL member countries

## 2014: Operation Infra-Terra

- ▶ **Targets:** 139 fugitives wanted internationally for environmental crimes including wildlife trafficking; illegal logging and fishing, and the illegal trade and disposal of hazardous waste
- ▶ **Area:** Global
- ▶ **Participation:** INTERPOL's Environmental Security unit and 40 INTERPOL member countries

## 2016: Operation Infra-Hydra

- ▶ **Targets:** 180 fugitives wanted internationally for people smuggling
- ▶ **Area:** Global
- ▶ **Participation:** INTERPOL's Organized and Emerging Crimes, and Global Outreach and Regional Support Directorates, 43 INTERPOL member countries and the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK).

## 2017: Operation Infra ASP

- ▶ **Targets:** 258 fugitives wanted internationally for organized and financial crimes
- ▶ **Area:** Asia and South Pacific
- ▶ **Participation:** 21 INTERPOL member countries

## RESULTS

As of January 2018, more than 480 fugitives targeted by Infra operations have been arrested and an additional 320 have been positively located.



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