RESOLUTION No. AGN/53/RES/1

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SUBJECT:

THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL POLICY

Heading: Basic texts and internal administration of the ICPO-Interpol

Sub-heading: Financial matters and the Financial Regulations

## TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION

HAVING CONSIDERED Reports No. 6, No. 6bis and No. 7 submitted by the Executive Committee and the Secretary General, and entitled "The Organization's Financial Policy" and "Study relating to the extension of the Headquarters",

MINDFUL of the provisions of Resolution No. AGN/52/RES/7 (Cannes, 1983) concerning the Organization's financial policy,

HAVING BEEN INFORMED that the Executive Committee decided to abandon the plan to build an extension to the Headquarters, basing its decision on Resolution No. AGN/52/RES/6 (Cannes, 1983) concerning the extension of the Organization's Headquarters,

NOTING that, as a result:

- (a) It would now be appropriate to allocate to the construction of a new Headquarters building the sums which Resolution No. AGN/52/RES/7 allocated to the Capital Investment Fund to finance the project for the extension of the Organization's present Headquarters,
- (b) It is necessary to ensure that the purchasing power of these sums keeps pace with rises in the French construction price index,
- (c) It has not been possible to provide the General Assembly at its 53rd session with an estimate of the cost of equipment for the building to be constructed,

CONSIDERING, however, that a decision can now be taken on the method of allocating the sum remaining in the former "Safety and Reserve Fund" to the members of the Organization, and that a portion of this sum can now be credited to members' contributions, even though the actual amount thus remaining is not yet known,

ADOPTING the conclusions of the Financial Advisers that were approved by the Executive Committee and relate to the method of allocating the sum remaining in the former "Safety and Reserve Fund",

HAVING BEEN INFORMED that the Executive Committee has instructed a consultant to carry out an organizational study on the General Secretariat and that the consultant recommends allocating approximately 4,500,000 Swiss francs (excluding tax) for re-organization during 1984 and 1985,

HAVING NOTED, with approval, the Executive Committee's decision to authorize the withdrawal from the Reserve Fund of up to 1.5 million Swiss francs (excluding tax), in 1984, to finance the urgent re-organization projects, in particular those relating to the criminal records,

HOPING, nevertheless, that re-organization of the General Secretariat will not result in any substantial increase in the value of the budget unit,

WISHING to avoid any incompatibility between the current Financial Regulations and the introduction and implementation of programme budgeting,

BELIEVING that flexible financial management will be necessary to guard against any difficulties which may arise during 1985 when the Organization will be changing in many important ways,

CONSIDERING that any profit on exchange rates made in 1985 should not be treated as additional income for the Organization but should benefit Member States,

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Luxembourg from 4th to 11th September 1984 at its 53rd session:

DECIDES that the sums allocated in Resolution No. AGN/52/RES/7 to finance the extension of the Organization's Headquarters, should now be used to finance the construction of a new headquarters building, the interest earned by these sums from 1st January 1984 onwards to be added to the capital set aside for the building;

REQUESTS the Secretary General to submit, as soon as possible, to the Assembly, an estimate of the cost of equipment for the building to be constructed, together with the figure for the sum remaining in the "Safety and Reserve Fund", in application of the decisions contained in Resolution No. AGN/52/RES/7;

DECIDES that the sum remaining in the "Safety and Reserve Fund" shall be credited to members' contributions on the basis of the sums paid as contributions by each member during the years 1979-1983 inclusive; calculation of the amount to be credited to each member will be based on the ratio between the total sums paid by each member during the reference period and the total amount received by the Organization in respect of contributions during that same period;

DECIDES furthermore that in application of the above provision, a sum of 1.5 million Swiss francs shall be credited to members in the form of an advance before the end of 1984;

AUTHORIZES the withdrawal from the sum remaining in the "Safety and Reserve Fund":

- (a) of 1,285,000 Swiss francs (excluding tax) to allow re-organization of the General Secretariat to continue in 1985;
- (b) of the amount required in 1985 to adjust the Reserve Fund and the Working Capital Fund to the levels laid down in Article 31 (2) and (5) of the Financial Regulations;

DECIDES, following the Executive Committee's authorization for withdrawal of up to 1.5 million Swiss francs (excluding tax), that any portion of that sum which has not been used in 1984 shall be allocated to re-organization of the General Secretariat in 1985;

## DECIDES that:

- (a) the 1985 budget shall be implemented following a structure of programmes in application of the budgetary directives approved by the Executive Committee;
- (b) the provisions forbidding any transfer of credit from one chapter to another shall be waived during 1985;
- (c) any transfer, from one programme to another, of an amount exceeding the value of 10 budget units shall require the Executive Committee's prior approval.

ASKS the Secretary General to submit, at the 54th session of the General Assembly, a draft text of a new set of Financial Regulations which take account of the introduction of programme budgeting and of the need to adapt the provisions in force to meet modern management requirements;

DECIDES that if, as a result of changes in the exchange rate of the French franc vis-à-vis the Swiss franc, a significant exchange profit is made in 1985, this profit shall not be considered as additional income but shall constitute a budget surplus.

