

<p><i>RESOLUTION No. AGN/37/RES/1</i></p> <p><i>SUBJECT:</i></p> <p><i>SALE, POSSESSION AND TRANSPORT OF FIREARMS.</i></p>	<p><i>To be classified as follows:</i></p> <p><i>1 copy in the Chronological Series: year 1968</i></p> <p><i>1 copy in the Subject Series</i></p> <p><i>Heading: Firearms, ammunition and explosives</i> <i>Sub-heading: Control of sale, purchase, carrying and possession of firearms, ammunition and explosives and smuggling thereof.</i></p>
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TEXT OF RESOLUTION

HAVING APPROVED the General Secretariat's report on national firearms laws;

CONSIDERING that it is in the common interest of crime control that governments register and control the sale, purchase, possession and transport of firearms by private individuals; and

IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT certain national laws are inadequate, as is the exchange of information at international level;

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Tehran from 1st to 8th October 1968 at its 37th session:

1. RECOMMENDS that all Interpol-affiliated countries which do not already have firearms regulations adopt effective legislation placing the import, export, sale, possession and transport of small firearms and ammunition under the control of the authorities. SUGGESTS that the countries refer to the information contained in the General Secretariat's Report No.7 (37th session, 1968) entitled "Sale, Possession and Transport of Firearms";
2. STRONGLY RECOMMENDS that each country set up a national index file of all persons authorised to possess and/or carry firearms;
3. ASKS the General Secretariat to publish a memorandum summarising different countries' laws governing the import and export of small firearms;

4. RECOMMENDS that the NCBs of affiliated countries draw their governments' attention to the importance of checking the criminal records of persons applying for permits to hold firearms. Foreigners (tourists or temporary residents) could obtain clearance either through exchanges of information between countries or else by producing testimonials from the local authorities in their countries of permanent residence or certificates indicating that their local authorities had no objection to the applicants' acquiring firearms;

5. RECOMMENDS that in cases where a prior check of this kind has not been possible, the countries involved should exchange the identity particulars of all non-resident foreigners acquiring firearms.

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