



## RESOLUTION

**Subject:** INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data

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

CONSIDERING Articles 2, 3, 26, 31, 32, 36 and 41 of the Organization's Constitution,

CONSIDERING:

- Resolution AGN/51/RES/1, adopted by the General Assembly at its 51st session (1982, Torremolinos), adopting the "Rules on International Police Co-operation and on the Internal Control of INTERPOL's Archives",
- Resolution AGN/55/RES/2, adopted by the General Assembly at its 55th session (1986, Belgrade), delegating to the Executive Committee the adoption of the "Rules on the deletion of police information held by the General Secretariat", and the decision taken by the Executive Committee at its 84th session (Saint Cloud, France, 4-6 March 1987) adopting these Rules,
- Resolution AGN/59/RES/7, adopted by the General Assembly at its 59th session (1990, Ottawa), adopting the "Rules governing the database of selected information at the ICPO-INTERPOL General Secretariat and direct access by NCBs to that database",
- Resolution AG-2001-RES-08, adopted by the General Assembly at its 70th session (2001, Budapest), adopting the "Rules Governing Access by an Intergovernmental Organization to the INTERPOL Telecommunications Network and Databases",
- Resolution AG-2002-RES-09, adopted by the General Assembly at its 71st session (2002, Yaoundé), establishing the Working Group on the Processing of Information and tasking the Group with revising the rules relating to the processing of police information referred to above,
- Resolution AG-2003-RES-04 adopted by the General Assembly at its 72nd session (2003, Benidorm), adopting the "Rules on the Processing of Information for the Purposes of International Police Co-operation" abrogating Articles 1 to 14 of the "Rules on International Police Co-operation and on the Internal Control of INTERPOL's Archives", the "Rules on the deletion of police information held by the General Secretariat", and the "Rules governing the database of selected information at the ICPO-INTERPOL General Secretariat and direct access by NCBs to that database",
- Resolution AG-2007-RES-09, adopted by the General Assembly at its 76th session (2007, Marrakesh), adopting the "Implementing Rules for the Rules on the Processing of Information for the Purposes of International Police Co-operation",
- Resolution AG-2009-RES-12, adopted by the General Assembly at its 78th session (2009, Singapore), tasking the Working Group on the Processing of Information of Information, in the light of the developments of Project I-link, with submitting any amendments it considered appropriate to the Rules on the Processing of Information for the Purposes of International Police Co-operation,

BEARING IN MIND the successive reports submitted by the Working Group on the Processing of Information to the General Assembly, particularly:

- The Intermediate Report (AG-2010-RAP-18) submitted by the Group to the General Assembly at its 79th session (Qatar, 2010),

- The final report (AG-2011-RAP-03) on INTERPOL's Draft Rules on the Processing of Data submitted by the Group to the General Assembly at the present session,

CONSCIOUS of the need, given the developments in international police cooperation in criminal matters, to modernize the data-processing system implemented by INTERPOL,

RECALLING, in this respect, Resolution AG-2009-RES-12 adopted at its 78th session held in Singapore,

HAVING NOTED the opinion of the Commission for the Control of INTERPOL's Files consulted in accordance with Article 36, paragraph 2 of the Constitution,

HAVING TAKEN NOTE of the unconditional support expressed by the Executive Committee at its 171st session held in Hanoi,

HAVING NOTED the opinion of the ad hoc Committee set up in application of Article 56 of the Organization's General Regulations,

RECALLING that, under the terms of Article 8 of INTERPOL's Constitution, the General Assembly is empowered to determine any regulations deemed necessary,

ENDORSES the conclusions set out in Report AG-2010-RAP-18, on the need to modify and develop the rules on information processing whilst at the same time simplifying them, as well as the conclusions in Report AG-2011-RAP-03;

WISHES hereby to pay tribute to the Working Group on the Processing of Information for all its work;

EXPRESSES its gratitude to the members of the Working Group for their remarkable contribution to the Organization's development;

APPROVES INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data, as given at Appendix 1 to Report AG-2011-RAP-03;

DECIDES that the said Rules shall enter into force on 1 July 2012, with the exception of Articles 21(3), 24(2), 111(5) and 126 which shall enter into force on 1 July 2013, as indicated in Appendix 2 to this report;

ABROGATES, therefore, on 30 June 2012, the "Rules on the Processing of Information for the Purposes of International Police Co-operation", the "Implementing Rules for the Rules on the Processing of Information for the Purposes of International Police Co-operation", and the "Rules Governing Access by an Intergovernmental Organization to the INTERPOL Telecommunications Network and Databases";

ASKS the Secretary General, in order to ensure the effective implementation of INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data:

- to carry out the necessary information-technology developments;
- to draft and provide technical documents for the Organization's Members to ensure due observation of the said Rules and proper functioning of the INTERPOL Information System;
- to implement a plan to train staff on the INTERPOL Information System and on the principles governing its functioning laid down in INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data.

**Adopted: 110 votes in favour, 0 against, 2 abstentions**