

Resolution No. 13

GA-2021-89-RES-13

<u>Subject</u>: Draft Memorandum of Understanding between the International Criminal Police Organization – INTERPOL and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Istanbul, Turkey, from 23 to 25 November 2021, at its 89th session:

BEARING IN MIND Articles 22 and 41 of the Organization's Constitution and INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data,

RECALLING Resolution AG-2011-RES-10 on raising awareness of INTERPOL's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) Programme,

ACKNOWLEDGING the significant role that the General Secretariat can play in assisting member countries' police services in facing the CBRNE challenge, a role that, consistent with international best practices, should span the mission of CBRNE intelligence analysis, prevention and response programming and operations,

NOTING the high human and economic costs associated with biological crime and biological terrorism,

NOTING the role of national law enforcement and international police cooperation in preventing and responding to such crimes,

CONSIDERING that the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) is an intergovernmental organization whose mandate is to improve animal health, veterinary public health and animal welfare worldwide,

ACKNOWLEDGING the value of veterinary and animal health service data and expertise in supporting national law enforcement to discharge its duties related to biological crime and biological terrorism,

CONSIDERING the interest in establishing a framework for cooperation between INTERPOL and the OIE to address threats posed by acts of agro-crime and agro-terrorism,

HAVING EXAMINED Report GA-2021-89-REP-02, which proposes the conclusion of a draft Memorandum of Understanding between INTERPOL and the OIE,

DEEMING that the Draft Memorandum of Understanding between INTERPOL and the OIE given at Appendix 1 to Report GA-2021-89-REP-02 conforms to the Organization's aims and activities,

APPROVES the Draft Memorandum of Understanding at Appendix 1 to Report GA-2021-89-REP-02;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary General to sign it;

TASKS the General Secretariat to conclude with the OIE any supplementary arrangement(s) referred to in the draft Memorandum of Understanding and deemed necessary.

Adopted