

Resolution No. 1

GA-2024-92-RES-01

Subject: General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL: progress report on the consultation process and organization of a drafting committee

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Glasgow, United Kingdom, from 4 to 7 November 2024, at its 92nd session:

RECALLING that during INTERPOL's Centenary Activities Programme, held at the 90th session of the General Assembly (New Delhi, India, 18-21 October 2022), the General Assembly acknowledged the need for a general agreement on privileges and immunities to ensure the Organization's independence and functioning in member countries,

FURTHER RECALLING the draft General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL introduced at the 91st session of the General Assembly (Austria, Vienna, 28 November – 1 December 2023) to provide INTERPOL and its member countries with guarantees to facilitate the Organization's effective functioning (Report GA-2023-91-REP-03),

HAVING REGARD to Article 35 of the General Regulations of the ICPO-INTERPOL stating that "The General Assembly may decide to establish such committees as it deems necessary to perform its functions",

COGNIZANT that under Articles 53 and 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly, when participation in a committee is limited, the General Assembly is empowered to elect members to the committee from applicant countries after having decided on the method of elections to the committee, with any decision of the General Assembly to establish such a committee necessarily specifying the committee's mandate and the committee empowered to adopt its own Terms of Reference,

HAVING CONSIDERED Report GA-2024-92-REP-22, submitted by the General Secretariat, on the progress made during the consultations and containing the proposal for the constitution of a drafting committee to develop a finalized text for the draft General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL,

EXPRESSES its appreciation to the INTERPOL member countries for their commitment and for the work accomplished during the three rounds of the consultations held in 2024 to bring the draft text of the General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL in line with national requirements in order to ensure the widest possible acceptance of the agreement;

REAFFIRMS the importance of the development of the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL;

ENDORSES the proposal for the constitution of a drafting committee to facilitate the development of a viable General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL;

APPROVES the constitution of a drafting committee to develop a final text for the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities, with the committee exercising its mandate for a period of six weeks, renewable for good cause upon approval by the Secretary General;

FURTHER MANDATES the drafting committee to establish its own Terms of Reference governing its operations and working methods;

CALLS UPON the General Secretariat to undertake a call for nominations amongst member countries and to designate the members of the drafting committee comprising twelve (12) officials, three (3) from each of INTERPOL's four regions: Africa, the Americas, Asia, and Europe;

REQUESTS the General Secretariat to provide regular updates to the Executive Committee on the progress made by the drafting committee and to report on the progress made during at the 93rd session of the General Assembly, including on the final text for the draft General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the ICPO-INTERPOL.

Adopted: 101 votes in favour, 4 against, 6 abstentions