RESOLUTION AGN/64/RES/1

SUBJECT:

Definition of specific terms of reference for Interpol committees

TO BE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

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TEXT OF RESOLUTION

NOTING THE CONTENTS OF Report No. 9, relating to the activities of Symposia and Working Parties and to the procedure for establishing such committees,

REALIZING that it is in the Organization's interest to develop the activities of Symposia and Working Parties on selected subjects which are related to Interpol's activities,

WISHING to use such meetings to facilitate personal contacts between NCB officials and specialized police departments so as to make police co-operation between all Interpol's member countries more effective,

NOTING, however, that the number of Symposia and other Working Parties established within Interpol is constantly rising,

CONCERNED about the high cost of organizing such meetings and the resulting workload for the General Secretariat,

CONSIDERING IT IMPORTANT to define the terms of reference of such committees, the conditions under which they organize their meetings and the financial implications more clearly,

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly meeting from 4th to 10th October 1995 in Beijing, at its 64th session:

DECIDES

- to ask the Secretary General to assess the activities of existing Symposia and Working Parties and to submit to the Executive Committee specific terms of reference for each of them, based on the model appended to the present Resolution;
- to ask the Organization's institutions, when they consider it advisable to propose the establishment of Symposia or Working Parties, to submit to the Executive Committee a detailed project stating the exact terms of reference for each committee proposed, based on the model appended to the present Resolution, except in the case of specific Working Party meetings organized by the Secretary General to deal with

ongoing police cases involving only a limited number of countries; the terms of reference must give the aims of the proposal, the desired outcome and the likely benefits for the police, and must take into account the work carried out by committees of other organizations, in order to avoid duplication of effort and overlapping;

INVITES the Executive Committee, in conformity with Article 31(3) of the ICPO-Interpol General Regulations, to give the General Assembly its opinion on all proposals for the establishment of committees submitted for adoption;

DECIDES, furthermore, that any ICPO-Interpol member country wishing to host a Symposium or Working Party meeting, other than a General Assembly or Regional Conference, shall meet all costs in excess of those that would be incurred for an equivalent meeting held at the Organization's Headquarters.

COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.	Name and type of committee (International Conference, Symposium, Working Party, etc.).
2.	Origin of the terms of reference (General Assembly Resolution, Regional Conference Recommendation).
3.	Terms of reference (definition of the committee, aims and minutes to be prepared).
4.	Composition of the committee.
5.	Working languages.
6.	Structure and working methods:
	 interpretation, minute-writer, translation of working documents, circulation of minutes.
7.	Funding.
8.	Total number of meetings planned, number of such meetings per year and length of the committee's life.