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Heading: Prostitution, exploitation of prostitution, traffic in human

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SUBJECT:

Traffic in human beings

## TEXT OF RESOLUTION

BEARING IN MIND the 1988 Programme of Activities adopted by the General Assembly at its 56th session (Nice, 1987), which included a Symposium on Traffic in Human Beings,

HAVING NOTED the contents of the report on the First International Symposium on Traffic in Human Beings, held from 21st to 23rd September 1988,

REALIZING that there has been an increase in the procuring of human beings and that the Symposium confirmed the existence of organized international networks engaging in traffic in human beings and illegal activities relating to the exploitation of prostitution,

RECOGNIZING that child pornography, the visual depiction of the sexual molestation and exploitation of children, often involves production of material in one country for distribution elsewhere and that there is an international market for this material and child pornography,

COGNIZANT that combating trafficking in human beings requires a high level of international co-operation,

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Bangkok from 17th to 23rd November 1988 at its 57th session:

## RECOMMENDS that:

- Member countries improve the bilateral and multilateral exchange of information on illegal activities relating to prostitution, including identification material on individuals and organizations known to be or suspected of being involved in procurement practices, bogus marriages, illegal marriages, illegal entry and the use of forged identity papers;
- (2) Member countries establish their own data bases and improve their reporting at all levels, including reporting to the General Secretariat to allow the establishment of a special data base to identify suspects involved in international traffic in human beings;

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- (3) National police forces involve social welfare service agencies in assisting and protecting persons engaging in prostitution, since such persons are often victims who are intimidated by their procurers;
- (4) Law enforcement agencies place a higher priority on investigations into child pornography with particular emphasis on the welfare of the child;
- (5) Law enforcement agencies participate in public campaigns designed to combat the sexual exploitation of children, and include that subject in their prevention programmes.