RESOLUTION No. AGN/54/RES/2

SUBJECT:

Regionalization - Establishment of a Sub-Regional Bureau for South America TO BE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

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Heading: Basic texts and internal administration of the ICPO-Interpol

Sub-heading: Setting up of bodies other than the General Secretariat and National Central Bureaus

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

CONSIDERING the decision taken by the Executive Committee at its 78th session (Saint Cloud, 12th-15th February 1985) to recommend:

- (1) Inclusion of the subject of regionalization on the agendas of all Regional Conferences,
- (2) The study of all proposals made by Regional Conferences for the establishment of Regional Bureaus, provided such proposals be consistent with "delegation" rather than "devolution" in order to preserve the unity of the Organization.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the recommendation adopted by the 10th American Regional Conference (Buenos Aires, 18th-22nd May 1985), which entrusted a Working Party on Regionalization with the task of studying the legal and practical aspects and reporting to the Executive Committee and the General Assembly on the advisability of establishing a Sub-Regional Bureau for South America,

HAVING NOTED that the report prepared by the Working Party following its meeting held in Buenos Aires from 26th to 29th August 1985, and submitted to the American Continental Meeting, favours the establishment of a Sub-Regional Bureau as a pilot project which could be used as a basis for a possible future extension of regionalization to the whole American continent,

NOTING that the Working Party's conclusions are in conformity with the Executive Committee's recommendation since the Bureau would be established by "delegation", making it a branch of the General Secretariat and placing it under the authority and control of the Secretary General,

NOTING that, at the American Continental Meeting held during the present session, the countries concerned agreed that such a Bureau should be established,

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TAKING NOTE of the Argentine Republic's offer to host such a Bureau and to take appropriate steps immediately with a view to ensuring the signature and ratification of an agreement similar to the Headquarters Agreement concluded between the Organization and France,

CONVINCED that the establishment of such a Bureau would be of benefit to the countries in the region and the Organization's Member States in general,

The ICPO-Interpol General Assembly, meeting in Washington, D.C. from 1st to 8th October 1985 at its 54th session,

DECIDES:

- (1) To establish the Bureau in Buenos Aires;
- (2) To accept the Argentine NCB's offer to provide the Organization with the staff and equipment required for the Bureau, with the other countries in the South American sub-region gradually providing as much assistance as possible in the form of manpower;

INVITES the Secretary General to approach the Argentine NCB immediately with a view to initiating the procedure for concluding, with the Argentine Government, a headquarters agreement similar to the one concluded between the Organization and France.