

RESOLUTION No. AGN/37/RES/8

SUBJECT:

ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC

To be classified as follows:

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Heading: Drugs

Sub-heading: Resolutions concerning several types of drug and/or of a general nature concerning international co-operation in the fight against drug traffic and abuse

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Heading: Co-operation with international organisations

Sub-heading: Co-operation with the United Nations

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Heading: Prevention of Crime - Social role of the police

Sub-heading: prevention of drug addiction

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

IN VIEW OF:

- 1) The resolutions on drug traffic already adopted by the General Assembly at previous sessions;
- 2) The General Secretariat's report on 1967 and the delegations' comments on it;

CONSIDERING that the ICPO-INTERPOL's efforts have helped intensify international police co-operation for the control and prevention of illicit drug traffic and alert international opinion to the dangers of drug abuse;

HAVING NOTED, however, that:

- Not all affiliated countries supply up-to-date information in time for the General Secretariat to compile its statistics and annual reports;
- Some countries have not heeded previous General Assembly recommendations attentively enough;

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The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Tehran from 1st to 8th October 1968 at its 37th session:

CONSIDERS that rapid co-operation among National Central Bureaus and with the General Secretariat is one of the most effective means of controlling illicit international drug traffic;

URGES the General Secretariat to try to work even more closely with other agencies and organisations - notably the United Nations - working on the drugs problem;

STRESSES the benefits of every country having national legislation which:

- a) Institutes or increases, where necessary, penal sanctions for growing, processing, transporting, selling or possessing drugs unlawfully;
- b) Ensures that: the granting of bail or provisional release to anyone implicated in a drugs case is commensurate with the importance of the case and the individual violator;

CALLS THE ATTENTION of affiliated countries and their governments to the importance of:

- a) Adhering to international drug conventions, particularly the 1961 Single Convention, and where it is considered possible, the 1936 Convention on the Suppression of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs;
  - b) Implementing programmes designed to educate members of the public on the dangers of drug addiction and gain widespread co-operation;
  - c) Destroying crops which produce substances used in the traffic, adopting schemes for replacement crops and sending information about this subject to the General Secretariat regularly.
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