

Resolution No. 5

GA-2018-87-RES-05

<u>Subject</u>: Draft Agreement between the African Union and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) in relation to the cooperation between INTERPOL and the African Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL)

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 18 to 21 November 2018 at its 87th session:

BEARING IN MIND Articles 41 and 22 of the Organization's Constitution,

ALSO BEARING IN MIND INTERPOL's Rules on the Processing of Data,

RECALLING Resolution AG-2006-RES-07 on INTERPOL's support for regional policing initiatives,

ALSO RECALLING Resolution AG-2016-RES-03 approving the INTERPOL Strategic Framework 2017-2020 aimed at, *inter alia*, maximizing INTERPOL's role within the Global Security Architecture, and enhancing INTERPOL's relationship with regional police organizations and other international organizations in order to close gaps and enhance complementarity,

CONSIDERING the Memorandum of Understanding between INTERPOL and the African Union Commission signed on 19 July 2011,

CONSIDERING the interest in establishing a framework for the cooperation between INTERPOL and AFRIPOL in the fight against transnational crime,

RECALLING Resolution GA-2017-86-RES-16 emphasizing the need for an arrangement establishing a framework for cooperation between INTERPOL and AFRIPOL and tasking the General Secretariat to continue discussions with the African Union Commission and the African Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL) to identify additional ways for the Organization to support AFRIPOL's operationalization and objectives,

BEARING IN MIND that the Statute of AFRIPOL recognizes INTERPOL as a key actor in ensuring peace, security, safety and stability on the African Continent,

RECALLING that it is the responsibility of each member country to determine whether and to what extent it wishes to contribute to cooperation with AFRIPOL,

RECOGNIZING that the National Central Bureaus (NCBs) play a central role in the Organization with regard to the processing of data in the INTERPOL Information System,

HAVING EXAMINED Report GA-2018-87-REP-11 which sets out a draft Cooperation Agreement between the African Union and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) in relation to the cooperation between INTERPOL and AFRIPOL, with direct access to INTERPOL's Information System,

DEEMING that the Draft Agreement between the African Union and INTERPOL in relation to the cooperation with AFRIPOL given at Appendix 1 to Report GA-2018-87-REP-11 conforms to the Organization's aims and activities,

APPROVES the Draft Agreement at Appendix 1 to Report GA-2018-87-REP-11;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary General to sign it;

DELEGATES to the Executive Committee the power to approve the supplementary agreement(s) referred to in the draft Agreement;

TASKS the General Secretariat to report on the implementation of the agreement.

Adopted