

**RESOLUTION**

**Subject:** Creation of a Vulnerable Targets Referral Centre at the INTERPOL General Secretariat

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Marrakesh, Morocco, from 5 to 8 November 2007 at its 76th session:

RECOGNIZING the vulnerability of certain potential targets for terrorist or other criminal attack, such as infrastructure and public places,

NOTING the reference to this issue in the United Nations General Assembly's Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy<sup>1</sup>, and further noting that the Strategy invites INTERPOL to work with the UN to address the issue,

ACKNOWLEDGING that INTERPOL, in particular through its General Secretariat and its NCBs, has an important role to play in facilitating international cooperation between law enforcement agencies in order to support their efforts to provide public safety and security,

NOTING the support that INTERPOL has already provided over the last few years to member countries requesting assistance by means of deploying teams, as well as sharing relevant operational information and the experience gained in policing major events or responding to serious crime incidents or disasters,

MINDFUL of INTERPOL's ongoing efforts to identify national resources for an INTERPOL roster of critical expertise,

EMPHASIZING the importance to the international law enforcement community of early planning, timely assistance, sharing of crucial information and the ability to provide critical expertise,

AGREES AND SUPPORTS the creation of a 'referral centre' at the INTERPOL General Secretariat, in close cooperation with NCBs, to facilitate the exchange of technical assistance and best practices for the protection of vulnerable targets, particularly between countries in the early stages of strategy development and those which can offer relevant expertise;

RECOMMENDS that each National Central Bureau designate contact points within their structures for the protection of vulnerable targets in their respective country and inform the General Secretariat.

**Adopted.**

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<sup>1</sup> Adopted on 6 September 2006