



Draft Resolution No. 3

GA-2021-89-RES-03

Subject: Measures taken following the postponement of the General Assembly session from 2020 to 2021

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Istanbul, Turkey, from 23 to 25 November 2021 at its 89th session:

RECALLING that the power to approve the Organization's draft budget and its programme of activities is vested in the General Assembly pursuant to Articles 8(c) and 40, paragraph 2 of INTERPOL's Constitution,

ACKNOWLEDGING that, in the absence of an ordinary session, the General Assembly could not approve in 2020 the Organization's Draft Budget and Programme of Activities for the year 2021,

BEARING IN MIND Article 40, paragraph 3 of INTERPOL's Constitution according to which "should the General Assembly not have had the possibility of approving the budget, the Executive Committee shall take all necessary steps according to the general outlines of the preceding budget", and the Executive Committee's functions with regard to the supervision of the execution of the decisions of the General Assembly and the administration and work of the Secretary General entrusted to it by Article 22(a) and (d) of INTERPOL's Constitution,

NOTING that the Executive Committee at its 207th session, held on 7 December 2020, decided that the Draft Regular Budget prepared by the Secretary General for 2021 complied with the general outlines of the Organization's Budget for 2020 and would be the basis for the Organization's activities in 2021 until its subsequent approval by the General Assembly, including: operating expenditures (monetary basis) of EUR 70.5 million, a statutory contribution increase for Members at 2.6 per cent over contributions in 2020, the Capital Expenditure Budget of EUR 4.5 million, the various transfers from, to, and between, the various funds of the Organization, including the use of the General Reserve Fund in accordance with the limits of the Financial Regulations and budget indications for 2022 and 2023 as they appear in Executive Committee Document EC-2020-207-3-DOC-03,

NOTING further that the Executive Committee at its 207th session took note of the Programme of Activities prepared by the Secretary General for 2021 as presented in Executive Committee Document EC-2020-207-3-DOC-03, indicating that this programme ensured the continuity of the Organization's Programme of Activities for 2020 as previously approved by the General Assembly and, was consistent with the Draft Regular Budget prepared by the Secretary General for 2021,

HAVING EXAMINED Executive Committee Document EC-2020-207-3-DOC-03 pertaining to the Organization's Budget and Programme of Activities for 2021 circulated to member countries on 16 December 2020,

RECALLING also that the Organization's Budget for 2021 was presented to member countries by the General Secretariat during a dedicated technical briefing session open to all member countries held by virtual means on 12 January 2021, and which provided an opportunity for member countries to ask questions for clarification in anticipation of payment of their contributions for 2021,

RECOGNIZING the interest of ensuring that the General Assembly can fulfil its functions even in the absence of an in-person meeting,

APPROVES the Organization's Budget and Programme of Activities for 2021 as set out in Executive Committee Document EC-2020-207-3-DOC-03;

TASKS the General Secretariat to continue its efforts towards the development of solutions enabling statutory meetings, including General Assembly sessions, to be held by virtual means, thereby complementing the set of tools available to INTERPOL for the organization of its statutory meetings;

INVITES the Working Group to Review Legal Provisions Relating to INTERPOL's Governance Bodies to take into account this matter when examining ways to enhance the efficiency of the Organization's decision-making process as part of its programme of work.

Adopted