



## Resolution No. 11

GA-2023-91-RES-11

**Subject:** Outcomes of the Expert Working Group on Asset Tracing and Recovery

The ICPO-INTERPOL General Assembly, meeting in Vienna, Austria, from 28 November to 1 December 2023, at its 91st session:

WELCOMING the efforts undertaken by INTERPOL in recent years to coordinate a global response against financial crime and corruption, notably the establishment of the INTERPOL Financial Crime and Anti-Corruption Centre in 2022 and creation of the INTERPOL Financial Crime Analysis File (FinCAF),

CONSCIOUS that the INTERPOL Centenary represents a historic opportunity to address the unique role of INTERPOL in supporting countries faced with the evolution of international crime, in particular its economic and financial aspects, whose relevance has been strongly internationally highlighted,

CONVINCED that one of the most effective means of combating crime, including terrorism, cybercrime, financial crime, corruption, and organized crime, is the tracing, restraint, seizure, recovery and confiscation of the proceeds and instrumentalities of crime in order to deprive criminals of their illicitly acquired gains,

BEARING IN MIND the need for improved international cooperation mechanisms on asset tracing and recovery, notably through better information sharing and the creation of new legal and operational tools,

RECOGNIZING that key international stakeholders such as the G20 and the Financial Action Task Force have intensified their focus on strengthening global asset recovery in the past decade,

ACKNOWLEDGING the international community's establishment of numerous initiatives and specialized networks in the field of asset tracing and recovery, such as the Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Networks (ARINs), and the INTERPOL Global Focal Point Network on Asset Recovery,

CONSIDERING the operational efforts regarding asset recovery undertaken by INTERPOL which, on account of its very nature and through its international system of notices, diffusions and messages, is in a position to make a vital and essential contribution by facilitating the timely exchange of information in international and multijurisdictional asset recovery investigations.

RECALLING INTERPOL's General Assembly Resolutions AG-2012-RES-02 on "Promoting international action targeting illicit proceeds", AG-2013-RES-03 on "Promoting international action in the identification, location and seizure of assets", and AG-2015-RES-01 on the "Pilot project concerning a new category of notice specifically devoted to the tracing and recovery of assets ("Silver Notice")",

ALSO RECALLING INTERPOL's General Assembly Resolution GA-2022-90-RES-01 on "Strengthening our collaborative response to disrupting financial crime and corruption", under which the General Assembly established an Expert Working Group to "assess various proposals devoted to the exchange of financial information and to the tracing and recovery of criminal assets, including the 2015 General Assembly resolution to create a new INTERPOL notice named Silver Notice" and provide a proposal for adoption,

NOTING with appreciation the work done and the recommendations issued by the Expert Working Group,

HAVING STUDIED General Assembly Report GA-2023-91-REP-19 entitled "Outcomes of the Expert Working Group on Asset Tracing and Recovery",

RECOGNIZES the conclusion of the Expert Working Group that appropriate steps should be taken to create a new INTERPOL Notice, named the Silver Notice, and a corresponding Silver Diffusion;

APPROVES the recommendation of the Expert Working Group to launch a pilot aimed at testing the Silver Notice and Diffusion for a period of up to two years;

TASKS the Expert Working Group to:

- (1) Design, in collaboration with the General Secretariat, the scope of the pilot, the format of the Silver Notice and Diffusion, conditions, safeguard measures and estimated costs;
- (2) **Provide feedback and guidance to the General Secretariat during the implementation of the pilot phase;**
- (3) Submit to the General Assembly at its 93rd session a report concerning the results of the pilot phase and any recommendations for the future use of the Silver Notice and Diffusion;

DELEGATES to the Executive Committee:

- (1) The approval of the proposal by the Expert Working Group on the scope, conditions, safeguarding measures and cost for the implementation of the pilot;

TASKS the General Secretariat to:

- (1) Implement the pilot phase as approved by the Executive Committee and in collaboration with the Expert Working Group;
- (2) Together with the Chair of the Expert Working Group, report regularly on the progress of the pilot to the Executive Committee.

**Adopted**