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INTERPOL

Interpol is the world's second largest international organization, after the United Nations; it currently has 184 member countries. It is financed by annual contributions from its member countries, which total about EUR 30 million; however, Europol receives^A million annually. The Organization is headquartered in Lyon, France, formerly headquartered in Saint Cloud, a town located in the vicinity of Paris.

When living in the modern progressive society we have to deal with different international organizations either we know it or not. The formation of international organizations started mainly in 20th century with the goal to improve and develop international relations and to preserve peace and safety of nations. European community, Interpol, all of them have a great impact on international relationships between countries.

Because of the politically neutral role Interpol must play, its Constitution forbids any involvement in any political, military, religious, or racial crimes. Its work concentrates primarily on public safety and terrorism, organized crime, illicit drug production and drug trafficking, weapons smuggling, trafficking in human beings, money laundering, child pornography, financial and high-tech crime, and corruption.

In October 2001, the Interpol General Secretariat employed a staff of 384, representing 54 different countries. That same month, Interpol began to change from a 9-to-5 agency to a 24-hour agency, making its work more efficient.

Today, the Department of International Police Cooperation is a powerful independent structural subdivision of the apparatus of the National Police of Ukraine, which ensures representation of Ukraine in Interpol and in 2010 and in Europe.

For 20 years, the difficult way of working out a highly professional team, introducing legal bases of work, improving the technical component of the unit's activity, and establishing effective cooperation with law-enforcement bodies of Ukraine and foreign countries has been carried out.

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