



INTERPOL

# Environmental Security Programme

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## What is an INTERPOL Notice?

- A request for cooperation or an alert
- Published by the General Secretariat at the request of an NCB or an international entity
- Visible to all member countries
- Requested through I-LINK (NCB Dashboard) or directly to the General Secretariat via CCC
- Can be published in any of the Organization's official languages: Arabic, English, French and Spanish
- Valid for 5 years (1 exception: Orange Notices)

Arrest &  
Extradition



Information  
Request



Warning and  
Criminal  
Intelligence



Missing  
Persons



Serious &  
Imminent  
Threats



Modus  
Operandi



Unidentified  
Bodies



Subjects to UN  
sanctions

INTERPOL Diffusions is very similar to Notices but carry small but important differences. The requesting country or international entity may:

- Restrict decide to limit the number of recipients
- Set access restrictions to the data in INTERPOL's database so it cannot be accessible by one or more countries.

INTERPOL Diffusions Purpose:

1. To seek the location and arrest of a person with a view to extradition
2. To obtain information/locate/identify a person of interest in criminal investigation
3. To warn about a person's criminal activity
4. To locate a missing person or to identify a person unable to identify themselves
5. To identify dead bodies





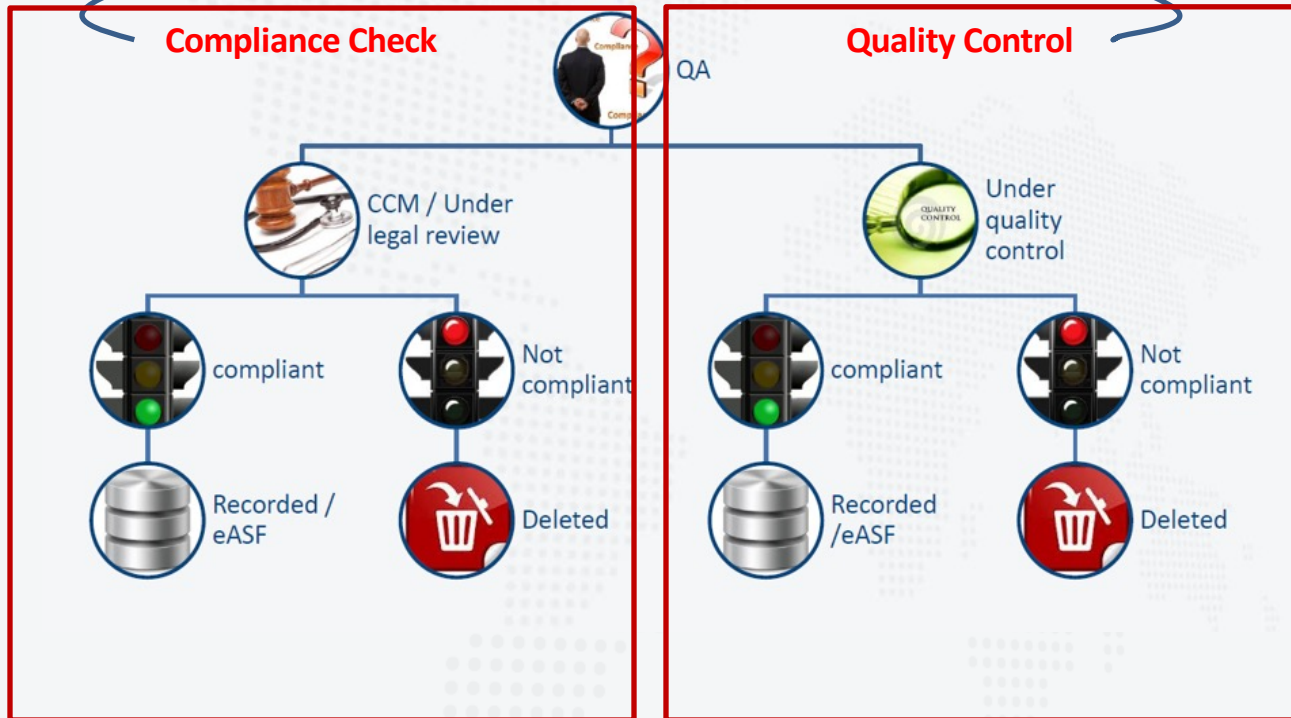
**UN Security Council  
Sanction Committee**



**I-LINK**

**MESSAGE TO  
THE COMMAND & COORDINATION CENTER**

# Quality Assurance



(RPD-Art. 77/78)



**Purpose:** Locate, identify and obtain information (on a possible criminal history or any other information relevant to the investigation).

**Who:** any person who has been convicted or charged, or who is a suspect, a witness or a victim of a crime.

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to IPSG via I-LINK

**Control Number:**

Example: B-1234/08-2022

**Minimum criteria for recording information:**

- **If the person is UNIDENTIFIED**

Photograph of good quality *AND/OR* fingerprints *AND/OR* DNA Profile



## Minimum criteria for recording information:

### - If the person is IDENTIFIED

#### a) Combination 1:

Family name, forename, gender and date of birth (**mandatory**) + Physical description  
OR DNA Profile OR Fingerprints OR data contained in ID documents

#### b) Combination 2:

Photograph of good quality (**mandatory**) + alias OR the name of either parent OR a specific physical characteristic not visible in the photograph





**Purpose:** Warn about irregular new **modus operandi**/method of concealment - item/devices

## When to issue a Purple Notice:

- 1- If the facts are no longer under investigation: intend to inform other countries
- 2- If the facts are still under investigation: request information on similar offences

## Characteristics:

- No nominal data
- Innovative/unique and relevant modus operandi
- Can be requested by member countries and IPSG Specialized Units

**Control Number:** Example: P-1234/08-2019



## REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION OF A PURPLE NOTICE

**Control No.:** [Keywords]  
**Requesting country:**  
**File No.:** [Category]  
**Date of publication:** [Click here to enter a date](#)  
**Last update on:** [Click here to enter a date](#)



### MODUS OPERANDI

<b>Type(s) of offence:</b>	Free text
<b>Date of the offence</b>	<a href="#">Click here to enter a date</a>
<b>Place of offence:</b>	Address/location
<b>Country of offence:</b>	
<b>Circumstances of offence:</b>	Free text
<b>Description of modus operandi:</b> Object/ device/concealment method/procedure.	Free text and illustrations

**Purpose:** warn about a person's criminal activities, where:

- Possible threat to public safety
- National law enforcement agency has assessed this threat
- Conclusion is based on one or more previous convictions or on other reasonable grounds.

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to IPSG via I-LINK

**Minimum criteria for recording information:**

- **Combination 1**

Family name, forename, gender, date of birth (**mandatory**)

+

Physical description *OR* DNA profile *OR* fingerprints *OR*  
data contained in ID documents



## Minimum criteria for recording information:

### - Combination 2

Photograph of good quality (**mandatory**)

+

Alias *OR* name of one parent *OR* a specific physical characteristic not visible in the photograph

### Control Number:

Example: C-1234/08-2022



**Purpose:** locate, arrest and extradite

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to IPSG via I-LINK

## Minimum criteria for recording information:

- Family Name + Forename
- Gender
- Date of Birth (at least the year)
- Photo good quality
- Identifiers:
  - Physical description or
  - DNA Profile or
  - Fingerprints or
  - Data contained in ID documents (passport, ID card)
  - some additional data (e.g. alias, name of the parent(s), further physical description, DNA profile, fingerprints, etc.).

## Judicial data:

- Summary of facts of the case (clear description of the criminal activities, time, location);
- Indicate charge(s);
- Law(s) covering the offence and maximum penalty possible, sentence imposed, or sentence remaining to be served;
- Reference to a valid arrest warrant or judicial decision having the same effect.



**Purpose:** to warn about an event representing an imminent threat for the public safety such as:

1. A prison break
2. An object/device (constitutes a threat to public safety and if national law enforcement agency has assessed the situation)
3. A person/s (appears to represent an imminent threat to public safety; preparing to commit a serious ordinary –law crime following assessment by law enforcement agency and based on one or more previous criminal convictions)
4. Criminal activity

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to CCC

**Control Number:** *example:* O-1234/01-2000



**Validity:** 28 days. After this period, the General Secretariat may change or replace an orange notice for another appropriate notice:

- if the threat which led to the publication of the notice is no longer imminent;
- in consultation with the NCB or international entity.



**Purpose:** Locate a person considered missing or identify an “unidentified” person.

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to IPSPG via I-LINK

**Control Number:**

Example: F-1234/11-2022

**Minimum criteria for recording information:**

- **If the person is Missing**

Family name, forename, gender, data of birth (**mandatory**) + Physical description OR photograph of good quality OR fingerprints OR DNA Profile

**If the person is Missing**

Physical description and gender (**mandatory**) + Photograph of good quality OR DNA profile OR fingerprints



**Purpose:** To seek information on unidentified bodies.

**Request:** National Central Bureau request to IPSG via I-LINK

**Control Number:**

Example: D-1234/12-2024

**Conditions:**

- If the discovery of the dead body has been recorded by the police
- **The body has not been identified**
- **Enough data on the body or the circumstances surrounding its discovery are provided for its identification**

**Minimum identifiers:**

Photograph of good quality AND/OR DNA profile AND/OR fingerprints



# INTERPOL-UN Security Council Special Notice

**Purpose:** to alert national law enforcement authorities that certain individuals and entities are subject to sanctions by one of the Committees.

**Types of sanctions:**

1. assets freeze
2. travel ban or
3. arms embargo.

**Request:** from the UN Security Council Sanction Committees to INTERPOL General Secretariat under

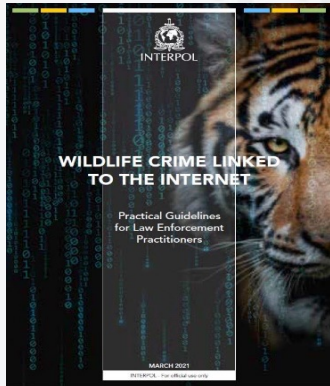
**Control Number:**

Example: U-99/00-2022

**Legal framework:**



## Further reading on cyber-enabled wildlife crime



### INTERPOL Wildlife Crime Linked to the Internet – Practical Guidelines for Law Enforcement Practitioners

These guidelines are key part of INTERPOL's support member countries in the fight against wildlife crime linked to the internet. The document introduces concepts of technology used for online investigations and their applicability to disrupt this dangerous online crime trend.

**Date of Publication:** March 2021

**Link:** [https://cites.org/sites/default/files/20COM0566-ENS-Interpol\\_Guidelines%20v5%20\(003\)\(1\)-1-2.pdf](https://cites.org/sites/default/files/20COM0566-ENS-Interpol_Guidelines%20v5%20(003)(1)-1-2.pdf)



### INTERPOL European Union's Best Practices in Fighting Wildlife Crime Linked to the Internet

The purpose of this report is to raise awareness among EU Member States (and beyond) about the methods used to fight wildlife crime linked to the Internet and, accordingly, assist them in scaling up their efforts to address this crime trend. Where appropriate, Member States are encouraged to make full use of the Report in their investigations of cases of wildlife crime linked to the Internet in accordance with EU Directives. At the same time, the report also contributes towards Decision 18.84 paragraph a) adopted by the 18th Conference of the Parties to CITES (CoP18) regarding best practices and model domestic measures for addressing wildlife crime linked to the Internet.

**Date of Publication:** January 2021

**Link:** [https://cites.org/sites/default/files/EST/EU\\_Best\\_Practices\\_in\\_Fighting\\_Wildlife\\_Crime-PUBLIC.pdf](https://cites.org/sites/default/files/EST/EU_Best_Practices_in_Fighting_Wildlife_Crime-PUBLIC.pdf)



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**THANK YOU!**



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