

RESOLUTION (80) 2

**SETTING UP A CO-OPERATION GROUP TO COMBAT  
DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN DRUGS  
(POMPIDOU GROUP)**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 27 March 1980  
at the 317th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Representatives of Belgium, Denmark, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Sweden, Turkey and the United Kingdom, sitting on the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe,

Having regard to the decision taken in Stockholm on 13 November 1979 by the 5th Ministerial Conference of the Pompidou Group;

Having regard to Committee of Ministers Resolution (51) 62 concerning partial agreements;

Having regard to the decision taken by the Committee of Ministers at Deputy level at their 317th meeting, on continuing the work of the Pompidou Group within the Council of Europe on the basis of a partial agreement;

Recognising the need to enable the Pompidou Group to carry on its activities as efficiently as possible,

Resolve to set up a co-operation group to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking in drugs (Pompidou Group).

- I. The aim of the Pompidou Group shall be to make a multidisciplinary study of the problems of drug abuse and illicit trafficking in drugs.
- II. The working methods employed hitherto by the Group shall be maintained under this Partial Agreement.

These methods are as follows:

1. Meetings, in private at ministerial level, are held, as a general rule every two years, but circumstances and urgency may justify special meetings of the Group in addition to these two-yearly meetings;
  2. Each state is represented at meetings either by the minister(s) concerned with the subject being dealt with, or by the minister instructed by his government to co-ordinate the action of ministries concerned with drug problems. A permanent correspondent appointed for each state is responsible for preparing the Group's ministerial meetings in personal liaison with the minister(s) attending them; he may be assisted by experts;
  3. The permanent correspondents and their experts meet twice during the interval between ministerial meetings to follow the application of the guidelines adopted and to prepare the ministers' future meetings in accordance with a given mandate. Their duties in this connection include:
    - arranging the agenda and subjects of the coming ministerial meeting;
    - collecting material for the preparation of basic documents;
    - exchanging information on the latest developments in the participating countries concerning the subject dealt with by the ministers at previous meetings;
  4. The Group decides on the publication of documents drawn up by the permanent correspondents as well as resolutions adopted by it;
  5. The languages used at meetings are Dutch, English, French, German, Italian, Swedish and Turkish;
  6. The meeting papers are reproduced in English and French.
- III. States not members of the Council of Europe may join the Group with the unanimous agreement of the member states of the Group.

IV. The Secretariat of the Council of Europe shall provide the Group with the following secretarial services:

1. Preparation and distribution of papers for the Group's meetings at both ministerial and permanent correspondent level;
2. Convening of meetings;
3. Practical organisation of the Group's ministerial meetings, to be held every two years at the Council of Europe's Strasbourg headquarters and in one of the participating states alternately;
4. Practical organisation of the Group's meetings at permanent correspondent level, to be held at the Council of Europe's Strasbourg headquarters at the rate of two in each interval between ministerial meetings;
5. Translation of the Group's papers into English or French;
6. Provision of the staff required by the Group for its functioning;
7. Preparation and circulation of the conclusions of the Group's meetings.

V. The Group's operational expenditure under the Partial Agreement shall be apportioned as follows:

1. The travel and subsistence expenses of persons attending the Group's meetings (ministers, permanent correspondents and experts) shall be paid by the member state concerned;
2. Expenditure relating to the practical organisation of ministerial meetings held elsewhere than at the Council of Europe shall be borne by the host country;
3. Common Secretariat expenditure (papers, staff, translation, interpretation and all other operational expenditure) shall be covered by a Partial Agreement budget funded by the Group's member states and governed by the same financial rules as foreseen for the other budget of the Council of Europe.

RESOLUTION (80) 15

**AMENDING RESOLUTION (80) 2 SETTING UP A CO-OPERATION  
GROUP TO COMBAT DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING  
IN DRUGS (POMPIDOU GROUP)**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 17 September 1980  
at the 322nd meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Representatives on the Committee of Ministers of the states members of the Co-operation Group to Combat Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking in Drugs (Pompidou Group),

Having regard to Resolution (80) 2 setting up the aforesaid Co-operation Group;

Having regard to the Budget Committee's report of 12 May 1980 (Doc. CM(80)132);

Having regard to their decision taken at the 321st meeting of the Ministers' Deputies that the budget of the Partial Agreement on the Co-operation Group shall cover the cost of interpretation between English and French at meetings of the Group, the cost of interpretation from any other language into English or French being borne by the delegation(s) requiring it;

Whereas as a result of that decision Part II of Resolution (80) 2 needs to be amended.

Resolve as follows:

*Single Article* - Part II of Resolution (80) 2 shall be amended as follows:

"The working methods employed hitherto by the Group shall be maintained under this Partial Agreement, subject to the arrangements laid down in Article 11.5 below.

"The working methods are as follows:

1. (unchanged);

2. (unchanged);

3. (unchanged);

4. (unchanged);

5. The Partial Agreement budget referred to in Article V.3 below covers the cost of interpretation between English and French at meetings of the Group, the cost of interpretation from any other language into English or French being borne by the delegation(s) requiring it;

6. (unchanged)."