

# General Legal Activities United States National Central Bureau INTERPOL (INTERPOL Washington)

FY 2011 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2010 Enacted:	\$30.1 million (77 positions; 1 attorney)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$1.3 million (4.3% above FY 2010 Enacted)
Program Changes:	+\$5.6 million
FY 2011 Budget Request:	\$37.0 million (94 positions; 1 attorney)
Change from FY 2010 Enacted:	+\$6.9 million (+22.9%) (+17 positions)

## Mission:

The mission of the United States National Central Bureau-INTERPOL Washington is to provide the United States' local, state, and federal law enforcement authorities a central point of communication to the international law enforcement community, and to serve as the official U.S. representative to the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL).

#### **Resources:**

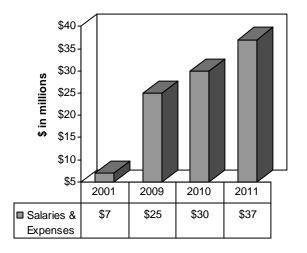
The budget request for FY 2011 totals \$37.0 million, which is a 22.9 percent increase from the FY 2010 Enacted level. Of the \$37.0 million requested, \$14.8 million is for U.S. dues to INTERPOL (40 percent of the INTERPOL Washington budget).

# Organization:

INTERPOL Washington is a component of Department of Justice (DOJ), and is co-managed by DOJ and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) pursuant to a memorandum of understanding between the Departments. INTERPOL Washington is comprised of permanent DOJ employees detailed from other agencies. Agents, including the INTERPOL Washington Director and Deputy Director, are detailed to INTERPOL Washington from federal and state law enforcement agencies for specified terms. Agents at INTERPOL Washington are assigned to work in divisions dedicated to specific investigative areas.

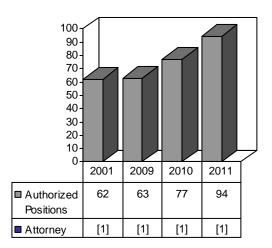
# Personnel:

INTERPOL Washington's direct authorized positions for FY 2011 total 94 positions, including 1 attorney. Of the total authorized positions, all 94 are located in Washington, DC, at Headquarters. INTERPOL Washington's FY 2011 request includes an increase of 17 positions over the FY 2010 level of 77 direct authorized positions.



Funding (FY 2001 - 2011)

#### Personnel (FY 2001 - 2011)



## FY 2011 Strategy:

INTERPOL Washington facilitates international law enforcement cooperation by serving as a police-to-police communications and intelligence network for both American and foreign police seeking assistance in criminal investigations. INTERPOL Washington brings together international and U.S. police at federal, state, local, municipal, and tribal levels, providing a neutral territory where jurisdictions and mandates are interwoven to permit cooperation and assistance in combating international crime. INTERPOL Washington initiates and responds to criminal investigative requests; transmits national requests for international cooperation; facilitates requested police action or operations; and collects, analyzes, and shares relevant criminal intelligence.

The increase in transnational crime and the risks associated with international terrorism have resulted in a greater need for international law enforcement cooperation and access to international law enforcement information. INTERPOL Washington's responsibility to respond to increasing foreign and domestic requests places additional operational demands on the resources of this organization.

The INTERPOL General Assembly (IGA) in its 2009 session adopted the current dues structure to more closely mirror the United Nations scale than its previous dues structure. The new structure provides for an increasing contribution responsibility for the U.S. through 2014, increasing to 17.4 percent over 5 years.

#### FY 2011 Program Changes:

Exploited and Missing Children: \$1.2 million and 12 positions to establish a child exploitation unit within the Terrorism and Violent Crime Division. The creation of a separate unit will address the 101 percent increase in requests for tracking convicted sex offenders from 2008 through 2009. Funding is requested for staffing to expand, enhance, and strengthen INTERPOL Child Exploitation efforts, including resources for combating sex tourism, tracking convicted sex tourism offenders, and recovering missing and abducted children. INTERPOL Washington is in the unique position to facilitate the sharing of information between U.S. law enforcement agencies and foreign law enforcement agencies in reference to the global fight against child exploitation. INTER-POL Washington has proactively developed initiatives to track convicted sex offenders, combat sex tourism, and work to eliminate the incidence of children exposed to violence. FY 2011 current services for this initiative are 6 positions and \$1.6 million.

**INTERPOL Operations and Command Center (IOCC):** \$4.5 million and 5 positions to expand the Notices Section to 24/7 staffing and enhance the IOCC's current technology. The IOCC is linked around the clock to more than 18,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the United States. This funding will enable the Notices Section to be staffed around the clock, allowing it to handle notices and diffusions as it receives them. These enhancements to both staffing and technology will enable the IOCC to operate more efficiently and effectively, as well as address critical workload needs. FY 2011 current services for this initiative are 23 positions and \$4.7 million.

**Travel and Management Efficiencies:** The Department is continually evaluating its programs and operations with the goal of achieving across-the-board economies of scale that result in increased efficiencies and cost savings. In FY 2011, DOJ is focusing on travel as an area in which savings can be achieved. For INTERPOL Washington, travel or other management efficiencies will result in offsets of \$36,000. This offset will be applied in a manner that will allow the continuation of effective law enforcement program efforts in support of Presidential and Departmental goals, while minimizing the risk to health, welfare and safety of agency personnel.

Clean Opinion on Financial Statements	
Timely Financial Reporting	Yes
Material Weaknesses	None

# **Financial Snapshot 2009**