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## BULLETIN

### A DELEGATION OF INTERPOL IN ROMANIA

**Between 17 and 19 of January 2006, a delegation of INTERPOL, including Mr Rodolfo Ronconi - vice-president for Europe and Mr Fabrizio Malavasi - superintendent within the Italian State Police, is paying an official visit to Romania.**

This visit is part of the work agenda of M.A.I. in the year 2006. At the discussions, the Romanian party is represented by questor Corneliu Alexandru - general director of the General Directorate for EU Accession and International Relations, police questor Gheorghe Mihai Stoica - director of the International Police Co-operation Centre, as well as a representative of the Romanian Police General Inspectorate's leadership.

This agenda of this event will include work meetings with representatives of the leadership of some units, such as R.P.G.I., the International Police Co-operation Centre, the SECI Centre and the Police Academy "Alexandru Ioan Cuza", as well as visits to some locations of high interest.

The talks will concentrate on ways of developing the co-operation between the two institutions, as well as on areas of special interest such as organized crime, major economic-financial crimes, preventing and countering cross-border crimes.

The climax of the visit is represented by the tomorrow's meeting between the delegation of INTERPOL and questor Vasile-Gabriel Niță - under-secretary of state.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**Romania** was one of the initiators of the International Criminal Police Organisation – INTERPOL; it is a **founder member of this organization and the first South-East European country to return in the I.C.P.O.**, after the difficult political situation of the World War II.

Once returned in the Organisation on **January 10 1973, the National Interpol Bureau** was set up, as a unit of the Romanian Police, assigned as a National Central Bureau.

On June 6 2005, there was created the International Police Co-operation Center, which includes: the National Focal Point and the National INTERPOL Bureau, which gathers all the operational co-operation channels, based on the model recommended by the European organisms, which is already functional in countries like Italy, France, Belgium etc.

By unifying all the international police co-operation channels from M.A.I., namely creating the International Police Co-operation Centre - which has only one centre for monitoring the requests and the operational data received/ transmitted, and by following the principle "one way in – one way out", the response time reduced, being created the prerequisites of an effective management of the information and message exchange in the area of countering cross-border crimes.