INTERPOL' strategies on combat travel document fraud

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Strengthening Aviation Security through Improved Traveller Identification
The use of fraudulent travel documents is a widely recognized threat affecting countries security as supporting the clandestine transnational movement of criminals, foreign fighters, and terrorists.

Although new security features on travel document are developed and used, new trends and modus operandi also evolve quickly aiming to forge or counterfeit them.

The complexity of the border guards environment.
“The Security Council, decides also that all States shall: Prevent the movement of terrorists or terrorist groups by effective border controls and controls on issuance of identity papers and travel documents, and through measures for preventing counterfeiting, forgery or fraudulent use of identity papers and travel documents.”

...Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001)

“The Security Council, calls upon all States to cooperate, inter alia, to strengthen the security of their international borders, including by combating fraudulent travel documents and, to the extent attainable, by enhancing terrorist screening and passenger security procedures with a view to preventing those guilty of committing terrorist acts from entering their territory.”

...Security Council Resolution 1624 (2005)
[...] encourage Member States to [...] share information on fraudulent, counterfeit, stolen and lost passports and other travel documents through the INTERPOL database”

...Security Council Resolution 2082-2083 (2012)

recognizes the efforts of INTERPOL against the threat posed by foreign terrorist fighters, including through global law enforcement information sharing via its I-24/7 secure communications network, global databases and notices, in addition to its counter-terrorism efforts and procedures to track stolen, forged identity papers and travel documents.

...Security Council Resolution 2178 (2014)
INTERPOL is very much committed to fight against travel and ID documents misuse in all their heterogeneous forms like:

- Counterfeit document
- Forged Document
- Fraudulently Obtained Genuine Document
- Revoked Document
- Stolen Blank
- Stolen/Lost document
INTERPOL Travel Document Screening Tool

EdisonTD

INTERPOL Databases addressing fraud in travel document

Document Information System of Civil Status

Digital INTERPOL Alert Library - Document

https://www.interpol.int/INTERPOL-expertise/Databases
ICAO TRIP Strategy

Globally interoperable applications that provide for timely, secure and reliable linkage of MRTDs and their holders to relevant data in the course of inspection operations: API/PNR, watch lists, INTERPOL SLTD, information sharing...

Credible evidence of identity, involving the tracing, linkage and verification of identity against breeder documents to ensure the authenticity of identity

Manufacture of standardized MRTDs, that comply with ICAO specifications (Doc 9303)

For the efficient and secure reading and verification of MRTDs (PKD, forensic travel Doc examination, etc.)

Processes for document issuance by appropriate authorities, and controls to prevent theft, tampering and loss

Objective: All Member States can uniquely identify individuals
DIAL-DOC

A forensic database created in order to counter the illicit use of fraudulent travel documents and foster international cooperation

- Created in 2013 in cooperation with G7-MESG
- More than 1,200 alerts available
- 25 countries are currently contributing the platform
- Provide rapid and effective support to non-specialist law enforcement personnel in the verification of travel documents
- Provide an instrument for the quick dissemination of crucial information on the most recent document forgeries and their illicit use

EDISON TD

A forensic database containing Genuine Travel Documents that has been available to INTERPOL member countries since July 2011, via I-24/7 communication network.

- Created in 1992 by the Dutch National Police
- More than 4,200 documents available
- From more than 200 countries & organizations
- Available in 6 languages (including the 4 INTERPOL’s official languages)
- Designed to assist law enforcement agencies and forensic labs by checking the authenticity of travel documents.
- Five countries are contributing to the upload of EDISON TD on a daily basis; Australia, Canada, The Netherlands, United Arab Emirates, and USA.

DISCS
Document Identification System for Civil Services

Breeder Document Database

Fake Birth Certificate
Access to Social Security
Driver’s license

International Travel

Fraudulent Birth Certificate + Social Security Card = FOG Passport

Terrorism
Money laundering
Child trafficking
Financial Crimes
Fugitives
Drugs

...and, in the pipeline...

A New Approach for Travel Document Control

“ACCESSIBILITY DURING PASSENGER SCREENINGS”

Through

Standardization of the information
Interoperable solution
Counterfeit Currency & Security Documents

- Providing support to the competent authorities from our member countries and partnering entities to combat the counterfeiting of currency and security documents.

- Receiving and analyzing documents and banknotes, counterfeit as well as genuine; and sharing the relevant information & alerts with INTERPOL member countries.

- Providing specialist train-the-train courses on security document examination.

- Developing & supporting effective preventative anti-counterfeiting initiatives.
INTERPOL's initiative to prevent proliferation of counterfeit currency and other security documents.

In practice, the project S-Print involves the tracking of new and second hand intaglio machines as well as the verification of entities making suspicious enquiries to companies within security printing and associated industries.

For more information please contact Counterfeit and Security Documents Branch at S-Print@interpol.int

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