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Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Lok Bahadur Thapa (Nepal), on the basis of informal consultations

United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that nearly six decades have passed since the Economic and Social Council adopted resolution 1086 B (XXXIX) on 30 July 1965, through which it called for an expansion of United Nations efforts in crime prevention and criminal justice,

Recognizing also that this subsequently led to the establishment of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute in 1968, which has since played a valued and integral role within the United Nations system, carrying out research and training in the domain of crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law,

Recalling its resolution [2023/8](#) of 7 June 2023 on the work on the Institute,

Acknowledging the increasingly transnational, organized and complex nature of crime, the continued scourge of terrorism and their combined far-reaching impact in terms of justice, the rule of law and sustainable development,

Recalling its resolution [2023/8](#) of 7 June 2023,

Mindful of the growing significance of the digital space in this regard, as well as the opportunities and risks presented by rapid technological advancements, including their potential for misuse,

1. *Recognizes* the alignment of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development¹ and the vision and approach of the Pact for the Future,² particularly in promoting evidence-based policymaking, strengthening the rule of law and leveraging data-driven strategies to address transnational organized crime and terrorism;

¹ General Assembly resolution [70/1](#).

² General Assembly resolution [79/1](#).



2. *Encourages* the Institute to continue to integrate its evidence-based and data-driven approach into its research, training and policy initiatives in support of Member States;

3. *Notes* the efforts of the Institute to address the priorities set out in its Strategic Programme Framework for 2023–2026, and encourages the Institute to continue to implement its objectives while also initiating preparations for the development of its next Strategic Programme Framework for 2027–2030, ensuring its continued alignment with evolving global challenges, the priorities of the Pact for the Future and the needs of Member States;

4. *Reiterates its deep appreciation* to Italy for hosting the Institute and facilitating its work in pursuit of its mandate and mission for nearly six decades;

5. *Expresses further its appreciation* to those Member States and strategic partners that have supported or provided voluntary contributions to the Institute in furtherance of its mission;

6. *Encourages* all organizations of the United Nations system to make full and effective use of the services provided by the Institute;

7. *Appeals* to all Member States to consider providing voluntary support to enable the Institute to continue and expand its work, through research and training, to address the challenges identified in its Strategic Programme Framework for 2023–2026, noting the extrabudgetary nature of the funding of the Institute.
