DECISION

FCTC/COP5(2) Applications for the status of observer to the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties (COP), in accordance with Rule 30 of its Rules of Procedure,

Having considered the applications for observer status submitted by two intergovernmental organizations contained in document FCTC/COP/5/3,

DECIDES:

(1) to grant to the South Centre the status of observer to the COP;

(2) to defer consideration of the application for observer status submitted by the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL); and to mandate the Bureau of the COP to liaise with INTERPOL to seek clarification on considerations relating to its application for observer status, taking account Rule 30 of the Rules of Procedure of the COP, in particular in relation to Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC; and to submit a report to the next regular session of COP.

(First plenary meeting, 12 November 2012)