

## SEARCH Resolution 98-20

Of the Membership Group of SEARCH, The National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics

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### **National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact**

**WHEREAS**, the Criminal Justice Information Services Advisory Policy Board to the Federal Bureau of Investigation has developed the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact (Compact);

**WHEREAS**, on October 23, 1997, the United States Justice Department, with the support of the Clinton Administration, sent the Compact to the Congress seeking congressional approval and adoption;

**WHEREAS**, the SEARCH Membership Group and SEARCH staff have participated closely in the development of the Compact, and the SEARCH Membership Group has consistently supported the Compact because the Compact will permit the full implementation of the Interstate Identification Index as a decentralized, cost-effective and efficient system for the exchange of criminal history records for non-criminal justice purposes among the states and the federal government;

**WHEREAS**, it is critical for the Congress and for state legislatures to adopt the Compact in the exact form sent to the Congress on October 23, 1997, and to do so as soon as practicable;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Membership Group of SEARCH, The National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics, that: "The Membership Group endorses and approves that version of the Compact entitled, "The National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact", which was submitted to Congress by letter of October 23, 1997 from the Department of Justice. The Membership Group urges the Congress and every state legislature to enact and adopt the Compact in the form submitted to the Congress on October 23, 1997 without change and to take such other steps as may be necessary to participate fully in the III in accordance with the provisions of the Compact."