

BUREAU EXÉCUTIF PERMANENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

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EMBLEMS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
POLICE ASSOCIATION.



As the Founder of The International Police Association, I wish to put on official record the fact that, after the foundation of the Association on 1st January, 1950, it was decided by pioneer members of the I.P.A. in Great Britain that we should have an emblem and motto to identify the Association. A number of ideas were put forward, but it was left to me to design the actual emblem.

I had to include a central globe, to show the worldwide scope of the I.P.A. I double-circled this with the title, "*International Police Association*", within. Then I used the eight-pointed star, which is the background to most British Police Force helmet badges. To complete the effect, laurel leaves were added either side of the star motif, with a scroll at the base of the design, which would bear the motto of the Association, "*Servo Per Amikeco*", which derives from the International language Esperanto. This translated into English is "*Service Through Friendship*". Stationery was produced with this emblem from 1950 onwards, and I had lapel and blazer badges produced. These items were used by the pioneer member countries of Great Britain, Holland, Belgium, Norway, France, Germany, Switzerland and Ireland.

At the 1st International Congress of the Association in Paris in 1955, the original seven National Sections came together to approve International Statutes, to elect International officers, and to decide on matters relevant to the Association. It was decided here that the emblem that I had designed would be adopted as the official emblem of the Association. A second design would consist only of the roundel with the letters "I.P.A." at the top, with the motto "*Servo Per Amikeco*" at the base, and the globe in the centre. The colours used were red for the land mass, yellow for the words, roundel and star with light blue for the sea on the globe and dark blue in the circle and scroll.

After possible abuse of our emblem, it was decided to copyright the design. This was done by the British Section in 1974, and other countries have done the same.

The crest, or emblem, shown on this notepaper and on the attached document is used throughout the world for all publications, letter headings, badges, plaques and other items sold solely by, or presented on behalf of, The International Police Association.

In correspondence with organisations such as The United Nations, The Council of Europe and other bodies, the emblem as previously described in fine and precise detail is well known and recognised. This should not be copied or used by other companies or organisations, anywhere in the world. They are breaching copyright laws directly if they use OUR emblem or designs and need to be firmly warned of this fact.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Arthur Troop".

ARTHUR TROOP (Founder, I.P.A.)