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Welcoming Letter:

Dear delegates,

Welcome to the Interpol Committee, and welcome to the 14th edition of the Marymount School Model of United Nations. We would like to express our gratitude to contribute your energy, time, and involvement towards MMUN XIV and the Interpol Committee. We believe that our commission will be filled with knowledge and a lot of great experiences. Hopefully this committee will open your eyes to new perspectives, new ideas and critical thinking skills, so you can develop as a person and be able to look onto the world with new viewpoints.

Throughout our committee we encourage open communication, thoughtful discussions, willingness to explore new ideas and perspectives but most importantly be respectful and create a vibrant community of growth. Hopefully you can leave MMUN XIV as an improved person and with new friendships made along the way. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions, suggestions, or doubts.

Kind Regards,

Paolo Thomas and Juanita Gómez

Introduction to the commission:

INTERPOL, the International Criminal Police Cooperation, is an intergovernmental organization that collaborates with law enforcers and police forces to cooperate in particular crimes resolution.

INTERPOL was declared in 1923 in Vienna, Austria, after the president of the Vienna police, Dr. Johannes Schober, re-emerged with the idea of International Crime Police Cooperation. However, the initiative that Schober revived derived from the first International Crime Police Congress, in which police and a political representative member from 24 different countries gathered in Monaco, in April 1914. Furthermore, the congress addressed cooperation on solving crimes, identification techniques, and extradition.

Thirty-three years later, the organization became known as INTERPOL, due to the implementation of modern techniques and technologies.

To date, the general secretariat is the one that coordinates the daily to-do tasks to manage a range of crimes. Run by the Secretary-General, it is staffed by both police and civilians and comprises a headquarters in Lyon, a global complex for innovation in Singapore, and multiple satellite offices in different regions. Additionally, in each country member of INTERPOL, there is a National Center Bureau (NCB) which is administered by national police bodies and that provides the main point of communication and contact with the general secretariat and other NCBs.

It is important to recall that INTERPOL, as an organization itself, is not a police force, and prohibits any kind of police and military intervention from any employee. INTERPOL aims to coordinate, cooperate and communicate with law enforcement and police force to protect the sovereignty of each member nation, also takes into account the law limitations implicated and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).

Topic Summary:

Antonio Anglés, born in Sao Paulo, Brazil, is one of the most wanted criminals by the Interpol. He was one of the responsible for one of the worst crimes in Spain: the kidnapping, abuse, torture and murder of three teenagers in Alcácer, Spain. This criminal went on the run in 1993, when he was last seen in Ireland after committing the heinous crime. For this reason, Antonio Anglés is one of the most important escape cases in the world. Antonio has been believed to be dead. However, the Interpol stands on the fact that this criminal is still alive, so the organization has updated his mugshot for the last time in 2022. For this issue, delegates will have to resolve all the unknowns in the case. First of all, they will have to find out if Antonio is alive. In case Antonio is alive, their mission will be to catch him with the help of capturing his accomplices in the crime, and learning about the past mistakes of the police authorities. In case crisis reports that Antonio is dead, the delegates will have to catch Antonio's accomplices in Alácer's crime.

Topic: Capture of Antonio Angles

Introduction to the topic:

Antonio Anglés Martins, is a Spanish-Brazilian criminal born on July 25, 1966, responsible for the Alcàsser Case, which was the kidnapping, rape, torture and murder of Míriam, Toñi and Desirée, three young girls of 14 and 15 years of age, committed on November 13, 1992. This crime was committed by Antonio Angles together with Miguel Ricart, who was sentenced to 170 years of prison in 1997.



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Has Miguel Ricart testified about Antonio Angles escape? This question can be useful to know the bases that the Interpol will have for the capture.

However, Antonio Angles managed to escape from the authorities, and in the last 30 years little has been heard from him and his whereabouts are unknown, being last seen in Irish waters in 1993. Although it is theorized that Antonio Angles died, as no traces of him have been found, the search for him has not yet been closed, and the Spanish authorities continue to search hard for him, as finding him would be a key to solving the Alcàsser case, which is one of the biggest mysteries of Spanish justice. Additionally, there have been small clues and testimonies that could prove that Angles is still alive. For this reason, several questions have arisen about this case, about the escape, the accomplices and the life of Angles.

Why is the Alcàsser Case so relevant in Spanish justice? Use this question to know more about the crime committed by Antonio.

Policial data of Antonio Anglés:



Mucientes, E. (2023, February 14th). *ELMUNDO*. Retrieved from:

<https://www.elmundo.es/television/2023/02/14/63e9e9dcfc6c83f6448b459a.html>

Key Concepts:

- False identity: Identity fraud is the unauthorized use of a person's personal information by another person to commit a crime or deceive or defraud that person or a third party in order to take advantage of the pleasures that come with that synthetic identity (Finextra, 2022).

- Furlough: a period of time that a soldier, worker, or prisoner is allowed to be absent, especially to return temporarily to their own home (Cambridge, 2023).

Historical Context:

Antonio Angles has a criminal record, having committed crimes against public health, crime of reception, robbery, assault and drug trafficking. On April 13, 1985 and January 13, 1987 he was convicted for crime of reception, then on July 25, 1987 for drug trafficking, on June 18, 1988 for robbery with intimidation.

In 1990, Angles was sent to prison for kidnapping, chaining and beating Nuria Pera Mateu, a 20-year-old woman who Angles accused of stealing several grams of heroin. These are some testimonies of Nuria, published in an article of "El País" on February 2 of 1993: "Antonio hit me on all of my body, he threatened me with stabbing me with a knife and making a mark on my face. He told me that he was going to throw me into a well that was in the house and he would

throw things in so that I could hear how deep it was.". Angles took Nuria to a house on Catarroja, where he left her chained for two days. Antonio Angle's family was in the house, however they didn't release Nuria, until they called the Civil Guard. This was the first time he used another identity, as he affirmed that his real name was Enrique.

What other identities could Angles have supplanted since his escape? Take this into account for the investigation so you can understand his movements nowadays.

He was sentenced to six years and four months for this crime. However, after spending two years in prison, he received an opportunity for social reintegration. On March 5, 1992, he received a six-day prison furlough, which he used to escape from prison. Six months later, on September 10, 1992, a search warrant was issued and since then he has been wanted. *It is recommended to search for news about this crime*



After this, on Friday November 13 of 1992, Antonio Angles and Miguel Ricart committed the crime that marked Spain, the Alcásser case. This day, Míriam, Toñi and Desirée, three girls of 14 and 15 years of age from Alcáser were going to the disco of Picassent, but on the way they disappeared. The authorities started looking for them, but they didn't find anything until January 27 1993, when two beekeepers found the dead bodies in a pit. The girls were abducted, raped, tortured and murdered, and then were buried on a place of difficult access called La Romana. After this, the bodies were taken to the "Instituto anatómico forense de Valencia" where they found a medical recipe with the name of Enrique Angles; the authorities knew that the responsible of the crime was Antonio due to his criminal past. Miguel Ricart was accused too. When the Civil Guard went to Antonio's house on Catarroja, he was able to escape through his sister's window. This is the testimony from Antonio's sister of the escape: "He bars the door with a stick and tells us not to open it, that they are looking for him and that they want him to go back to jail. In split seconds it occurred to him to use sheets."

Until this moment, Angles passed over different places escaping from the authorities. First, he went to a hair salon in Valencia to change his aspect. Then on February 23 of 1993, a farmer affirms to have seen Angles close to Elvás, a city in Portugal. Then, his presence in Portugal was confirmed with the testimony of the brother of a drug addict, who helped Angles.

How making this man collaborate with justice can help find Angles? What is known about this man? What is known about his brother?

Antonio Angles definitely dodged authorities on March 23 of 1993, when he was discovered on a ship that was going from Lisbon to Dublín, and he escaped on a lifeboat. When the ship "City of Plymouth " arrived in Ireland, Angles wasn't there.

What is known about the moment in which Angles was discovered? Who saw him?

On the other hand, the other responsible of the Alcásser case, **Miguel Ricart** was captured and was charged on the crimes of rape and murder. During the trial, he accepted his participation in the crime, but he didn't recognize any of the charges. He affirmed that he helped hide the girls, and that he saw the murder of one of them. However, as it was during nighttime, he wasn't able to identify who it was. In addition, he affirmed that Angles was responsible for the crime. However,

the most important part of his declaration was about the participation of Mauricio Anglés (also known as “Nano”), Antonio’s brother, in the crime.

What things from the declaration of Miguel can help capturing Antonio? What is known about the participation of Mauricio on the crime?

Image of **Mauricio Anglés**:



De Todos, E. B. (2023, March 1). El hermano de Antonio Anglés podría entrar en prisión: se le acusa de pertenencia a grupo criminal - En boca de *Cuatro*. Retrieved from:

https://www.cuatro.com/en-boca-de-todos/20230301/detenido-alcasser-secuestrar-torturar-valencia_18_08869084.html

Current Situation:

Antonio Angeles is still wanted by the Spanish authorities. Even though there is not any information about his whereabouts, the police have searched Antonio Angles in countries such as Uruguay, Brasil, Mexico, Argentina, and Dominican Republic. However, they have not found any clue. Because of this, there’s the theory that Antonio Anglés is dead, which is really probable. Supporting this, his brother **Roberto Angles** gave this declaration supporting that Antonio is dead: “He is dead, I saw him, the Civil Guard shot him 3 times in the head with a 'cetme' and buried him up there”.

However, the Civil Guard doesn't support this. Another theory is that Angles died on the Bahia in Ireland, however the body has not been found. In the year 2000, the scientific police analyzed a cranium that could belong to Angles, but the result was negative. Additionally, there are alleged testimonies from people who were on the ship that said that Angles was in Dublin. Because of this, there's also the theory that Angles is living with a false identity. However, there is not any approach of where he can be.

On the other hand, Antonio Anglés is connected to a family with a history involving criminal activities. Among them is Joaquin Martins, originally known as Mauricio Anglés, but he altered his identity following the commission of the crime. He was arrested and sent to provisional prison because he allegedly kidnapped and beat a man in 2021. Also, there is the possibility of a connection between Mauricio and the Alcasser case, suspected since the beginning of the investigation. However, he had never been condemned or investigated deeply, so doubts remain. Another doubt that remains until nowadays, is about a possible third murderer, which is not identified.

How can the identification of this murderer help to the capture of Antonio?

Also, nowadays there's a theory that states that all the passengers of the ship "City of Plymouth " saw Antonio Anglés, but then someone helped him to escape.

How can delegates find testimonies about this day?

On the other hand, it was also said that Anglés was able to get to Dublin.

How can this be proved?

After 30 years of the crime, and Antonio Anglés' escape, the police gave one last due date to find answers. The case was extended until December 14, 2029, if before this date there's no new finding of Anglés or the investigation about the Alcásser crime, then the case will be closed and archived with Miguel Ricart as the only responsible.

Relevant approaches:

The chair suggests delegates to approach the topic in two ways. First of all, it is really important to find out if Anglés is dead or alive, which must be done through investigation directives. Remember that the Interpol has one of the best political technological intelligence, delegates can take advantage of it. If the Interpol is able to prove that Antonio Anglés is alive, then the next step will be to find him. Here the delegates must do investigation but also operative detectives. There are a lot of persons that had a relationship with Anglés, and some of them are in prison, delegates can take advantage of it. Also, take into account the testimonies that could work to find Anglés, possible communication canals that he can have and how he can move over countries. Remember that being the Interpol, delegates have access to localization technology, and that delegates can collaborate with other police institutions, with operative actions or information.

Block Positions:

In this topic, all the delegations have the same position because all of them want to capture one of the most wanted criminals in the world. However, it is extremely important to take into account the strengths in operations and/or investigation of each delegation in order to divide appropriately the tasks to capture Anglés.

QARMAS:

1. What testimonies can be useful to get information about Antonio Anglés? How can delegations find these persons?
2. What Interpol's technologies can be used in order to find Antonio Anglés? Does your delegation hold technology or other relevant tools to be provided to the international community?
3. What protocols does your delegation use when someone escapes from justice? Which of these protocols can be applied on the capture of Anglés?
4. What operations can the Interpol use in order to discover a possible Anglés false identity? How can delegates do this while protecting citizens' privacy?

5. How can your delegation support an operation of the capture of Antonio Anglés?

Useful links:

1. Complete declaration of Miguel Ricart: <https://elcrimendalcasser.wordpress.com/quinta-declaracion-de-miguel-ricart-tarrega/>
2. “The Alcasser Muders”: This is a netflix documentary of 5 episodes that can be really useful to reconstruct the night of the crime, and find clues that can help with the capture of Antonio Angles.
3. Documentary: “Angles, Historia de una Fuga” this documentary is really useful to know in detail all the clues about Antonio Angles: <https://www.tokyvideo.com/es/video/angles-historia-de-una-fuga-completo>
4. Testimony of the woman that attended Antonio on the hair salon: https://www.lasexta.com/programas/equipo-investigacion/noticias/aranazos-brazos-antonio-angles-asesino-ninas-alcasser-misterioso-encuentro-hombre-peluqueria_2022020662001a9c334ddc000121df6c.html
5. Testimony of the captain of the ship in wich Antonio was last seen: https://www.lasexta.com/programas/equipo-investigacion/noticias/habla-por-primera-vez-el-capitan-del-barco-en-el-que-se-vio-por-ultima-vez-a-antonio-angles-alguien-tuvo-que-dejarle-salir-no-pudo-escapar-de-ese-camarote-sin-ayuda_201801275a6bb73f0cf2717a3c2aad6d.html
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