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OF A PROTOCOL ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCESProposal by Swedento theWorking Party of the Technical Committee

Delete from the first sentence in Article 2, paragraph 4, the following words:

"all is readily convertible into such a substance".

Add a new paragraph 9:

"If a Party or the World Health Organization finds that a substance is readily convertible into a psychotropic substance and as such constitutes a risk for public health by being used for illicit manufacture of psychotropic substances, the World Health Organization shall communicate its findings to the Commission. The Commission shall take account of these findings and communicate them to the Parties with the recommendation that the manufacture, distribution and possession of such substances shall not be permitted except under legal authority".

Proposal by the Algerian delegationto use the following definition in article 2, paragraph 4

Any substance

mineral or organic,

natural, partly synthetic or synthetic,

whether chemically defined or not,

any preparation, whether pharmaceutical or not, and in whatever form and any process of whatever kind, the purpose or which, between (and implicitly including) the initial stage and the end-result, is the obtaining of any substance which has, directly or indirectly, an immediate or long-term psychotropic effect.

Proposal by the Chilean delegation for a
definition of the term "precursors"

"Precursors" are natural or synthetic substances which are not pharmacologically active but which are readily convertible, by various processes, into psychotropic substances liable to abuse in a manner dangerous to public health.

Proposal by the delegations of France
and the United States

Amendment to Article 2

In paragraph 4, line 5, deletion of words "or is readily convertible into such a substance".

Add a paragraph 5(bis):

"If the World Health Organization finds that a product (precursor) can be converted into a psychotropic substance included in Schedule I or II and that the control of the product (precursor) is necessary to limit the illicit manufacture of the psychotropic substance, it shall communicate its findings (and recommendations) concerning the control or scheduling of the product (precursor) to the Commission, on the basis of (a) chemical considerations, (b) the therapeutic or scientific usefulness of the product (precursor), (c) the industrial importance of the product (precursor) and (d) the relative danger of the psychotropic substance. The Commission shall take into consideration the findings (and recommendations) of the World Health Organization and considering factors enumerated in paragraph 5 decide whether the product (precursor) shall be added to any of the Schedules, or in the alternative decide that its manufacture and distribution be prohibited except for authorized purposes under legal authority."