



## Economic and Social Council

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### Commission on Narcotic Drugs

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**Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly: general overview and progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the Assembly at its twentieth special session, including guidelines and the consideration of the establishment of indicators for reporting on the progress achieved and on the implementation of the Global Programme of Action**

### Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolution:

#### **Inclusion of international drug control as a topic for the Millennium Assembly and the Millennium Summit of the United Nations**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* that the General Assembly, at its twentieth special session, devoted to countering the world drug problem together, reaffirmed the unwavering determination and commitment of Member States to overcoming the world drug problem through domestic and international strategies to reduce both the illicit supply of and the demand for drugs, and recognized that action against the world drug problem is a common and shared responsibility requiring an integrated and balanced approach,

*Recalling also* that the General Assembly, in its resolution 53/202 of 17 December 1998, decided to designate its fifty-fifth session as “The Millennium Assembly of the United Nations” and to convene a Millennium Summit of the United Nations,

*Further noting* that the Secretary-General, in response to the need to address persistent problems efficiently and effectively and to deal with the emerging trends and challenges of the future, identified drug control as one of the eight major priority areas of work for the United Nations in its medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001,<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 (A/53/6/Rev.1).

*Noting with grave concern* that the drug problem is a global challenge involving tens of millions of victims abusing drugs worldwide and causing massive social and health difficulties, as well as undermining economies,

*Aware* that drug trafficking and abuse have an impact on many key areas of United Nations activities,

*Recognizing* the need for Governments to implement comprehensive measures to follow up the work of the General Assembly at its twentieth special session and to monitor their implementation,

*Emphasizing* the important role of the international community in mobilizing efforts to give effect to its commitment to drug control as an integral part of the United Nations overall programme for the new millennium,

1. *Invites* the General Assembly to include the world drug problem as an item on the agenda of the Millennium Assembly of the United Nations and the Millennium Summit of the United Nations to be held on 5 and 6 September 2000;

2. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to inform the Secretary-General of the contents of the present resolution in light of the preparations being undertaken for the Millennium Assembly and the Millennium Summit of the United Nations.

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