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Review of the implementation of the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime:

- (a) **Consideration of the basic adaptation of national legislation in accordance with the Trafficking in Persons Protocol;**
- (b) **Commencement of the examination of criminalization legislation and difficulties encountered in the implementation of article 5 of the Trafficking in Persons Protocol;**
- (c) **Enhancing international cooperation and developing technical assistance to overcome difficulties identified in the implementation of the Trafficking in Persons Protocol;**
- (d) **Exchange of views and experience regarding the protection of victims and preventive measures, gained primarily in the implementation of articles 6 and 9 of the Trafficking in Persons Protocol, including awareness-raising.**

Draft decision submitted by the President

Implementation of the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime

The Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime:

- (a) Reiterates its decision 1/5, by which it requested States parties to respond promptly to the questionnaire circulated by the Secretariat on the issues identified in

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that decision and invited signatories to provide the information requested by the Secretariat on those issues;

(b) Notes with concern that the analytical report prepared by the Secretariat¹ was based on the responses of only 43 per cent of States parties to the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime;²

(c) Urges those States parties which have not yet done so to submit their responses to the questionnaire to the Secretariat not later than 31 March 2006;

(d) Invites signatories that have not yet done so also to provide the information requested by the Secretariat;

(e) Calls upon States parties and signatories to review the analytical report prepared by the Secretariat for the second session of the Conference of the Parties and to be guided by it in preparing their responses;

(f) Notes with concern that a number of States parties have not complied with their obligations under the Protocol;

(g) Urges those States parties which have not complied with their obligations under the Protocol to rectify that situation as soon as possible and to provide information on the measures taken to do so to the Secretariat for submission to the Conference of the Parties at its third session;

(h) Calls upon States parties and signatories that encounter difficulties in providing the information requested by the Secretariat in accordance with decision 1/5 and the present decision or in complying with their obligations under the Protocol to seek the assistance of the Secretariat in that regard;

(i) Requests the Secretariat to provide such assistance subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources;

(j) Requests States parties that have already responded to the questionnaire circulated by the Secretariat in accordance with decision 1/5 to update such information or legislation as appropriate;

(k) Requests the Secretariat to submit an analytical report to include information received pursuant to the present decision, ensuring that it contains sufficient detail to permit the Conference of the Parties to review the implementation of the Protocol and the present decision, to the Conference of the Parties at its third session;

(l) Also requests the Secretariat to submit to the Conference of the Parties at its third session new or updated information received pursuant to subparagraphs (g) and (j) above;

(m) Decides that the programme of work under this item for its third session will be as follows:

¹ CTOC/COP/2005/3.

² General Assembly resolution 55/25, annex II.

- (i) Consideration of matters related to assistance to and protection of victims of trafficking in persons (article 6) and status of such victims in receiving States (article 7);
 - (ii) Consideration of matters related to repatriation of victims of trafficking in persons (article 8);
 - (iii) Consideration of matters related to prevention of trafficking in persons (article 9);
 - (iv) Consideration of matters related to information exchange and training (article 10);
 - (v) Consideration of matters related to border measures (article 11), security and control of documents (article 12) and legitimacy and validity of documents (article 13);
 - (n) Requests the Secretariat to collect information from States parties and signatories to the Protocol, in the context of the above programme of work, using for that purpose a questionnaire to be developed in accordance with guidance provided by the Conference of the Parties at its second session;
 - (o) Requests States parties to respond promptly to the questionnaire circulated by the Secretariat;
 - (p) Invites signatories to provide the information requested by the Secretariat;
 - (q) Requests the Secretariat to submit an analytical report based on the responses to the questionnaire to the Conference of the Parties at its third session.
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