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#### Implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem

##### Colombia and Peru: draft resolution

#### Revitalization of the principle of joint and shared responsibility in countering the world drug problem

*The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,*

*Recalling* the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol,<sup>1</sup> the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971,<sup>2</sup> the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988<sup>3</sup> and the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime,<sup>4</sup>

*Taking into account* General Assembly resolution S-20/2 of 10 June 1998 adopted at the twentieth special session of the General Assembly, and the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem,<sup>5</sup>

*Recalling* that in the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, Member States stressed the need to strengthen and intensify joint efforts at the national, regional and international levels to tackle the world drug problem in a more comprehensive manner, in accordance with the principle of common and shared responsibility, including by means of enhanced and better-coordinated technical and financial assistance,

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 520, No. 7515.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid., vol. 1019, No. 14956.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., vol. 1582, No. 27627.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid., vol. 2225, No. 39574.

<sup>5</sup> A/64/92-E/2009/98, sect. II.A.



*Recalling also* its resolution 53/8, on strengthening international cooperation in countering the world drug problem focusing on drug trafficking and related offences, in which the Commission reaffirmed that the world drug problem remained a common and shared responsibility,

*Taking into account* that the principle of common and shared responsibility is one of the pillars on which the international drug control system is built and that the only way to achieve progress in countering the world drug problem is to strengthen joint and concerted action by Governments,

*Bearing in mind* that strategies to reduce the supply of, trafficking in and demand for illicit drugs are fundamental and interdependent components of the global approach to countering all aspects of the world drug problem, including, among others, illicit drug crops, drug production, control of chemical precursors, illicit trafficking in drugs, drug abuse, money-laundering and related offences, and require unwavering commitment to the implementation of each of those strategies,

*Reaffirming* the commitments made by Member States aimed at promoting regional, interregional and international cooperation to counter the world drug problem and related offences,

*Recognizing* that the global nature of the fight against the world drug problem requires that national efforts be supplemented by technical and financial resources from the international community,

*Aware* that the world drug problem undermines the economy, rule of law, political stability, democratic institutions and legality and is a threat to the security of the States affected by any manifestation of this phenomenon,

*Recognizing* that international cooperation has been instrumental in reducing the supply of, trafficking in and demand for illicit drugs at the national level,

*Recognizing also* that any weakening of international cooperation in the fight against the world drug problem could affect the sustainability of the results achieved at the national level in reducing the supply of, trafficking in and demand for illicit drugs,

*Welcoming* the efforts of countries that have worked over decades to counter the world drug problem and have acquired knowledge, experience and institutional capacities that they may share with other countries,

1. *Reaffirms* its unwavering commitment to ensuring that all aspects of demand reduction, supply reduction and international cooperation are addressed in full conformity with international law, especially the purposes and the principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

2. *Resolves* to call upon the international community to engage in effective cooperation and practical action aimed at addressing the world drug problem on the basis of the principle of common and shared responsibility;

3. *Confirms* that the world drug problem requires an integrated, multidisciplinary and balanced approach under which the strategies of supply reduction and demand reduction are mutually reinforcing;

4. *Reaffirms* that Member States should strengthen their mechanisms for cooperation and coordination in order to achieve results in countering the world drug problem more effectively;

5. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to develop mechanisms to facilitate the exchange of experiences and good practices among Member States with respect to strategies to reduce the supply of, trafficking in and demand for illicit drugs and with respect to the necessary international cooperation to promote technical assistance projects aimed at tackling the world drug problem effectively;

6. *Requests* Member States and international organizations, including financial institutions, to increase assistance to States to counter the world drug problem;

7. *Invites* Member States to provide the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime with information on their past and current cooperation activities to counter the world drug problem, with a view to identifying priority areas in which such cooperation may be strengthened;

8. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to submit to the Commission, at its [...] session, a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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