



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

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## Technical assistance

### Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance

### Implementation of the provisions on technical assistance of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime

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

*Noting* that technical assistance is a fundamental part of the work carried out  
by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to assist Member States in the  
effective implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational  
Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto,<sup>1</sup>

*Welcoming* the work of the Working Group of Government Experts on  
Technical Assistance,

1. *Endorses* the recommendations adopted by the Working Group of  
Government Experts on Technical Assistance at its meeting held on 17 October  
2012, during the sixth session of the Conference, which are annexed to the present  
resolution;

2. *Reaffirms* its decision 4/3 of 17 October 2008, in which it decided that  
the Working Group should be a constant element of the Conference.

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vols. 2225, 2237, 2241 and 2326, No. 39574.



## Annex

### **Recommendations adopted by the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance at its meeting held on 17 October 2012**

The Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance:

(a) Encourages States to develop “whole of government” strategies to combat transnational organized crime in order to:

- (i) Promote intragovernmental coordination;
- (ii) Respond to the constantly evolving nature of groups engaged in transnational organized crime;
- (iii) Raise public awareness about the negative consequences of the activities of organized criminal groups;

(b) Requests the Secretariat, for the next meeting of the Working Group, to organize discussions, including panel discussions, on the following topics:

- (i) Inter-agency task forces to combat organized crime;
- (ii) Assistance, good practices and the comparison of national legislation in the area of identifying and protecting victims and witnesses of organized crime;
- (iii) Establishing capacity-building programmes for prosecutors and members of the judiciary and law enforcement agencies, including to enhance inter-agency cooperation and coordination;
- (iv) Criminal threat assessment tools;
- (v) Assistance in harmonizing domestic legislation with the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto;<sup>2</sup>

(c) Invites States and other donors:

- (i) To continue to provide resources for the assistance efforts of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in order to further the implementation of the Convention and the Protocols thereto;
- (ii) To continue to provide coordinated assistance through existing channels, including relevant international and regional organizations and bilateral assistance programmes;

(d) Invites States and international organizations to evaluate, measure and assess technical assistance efforts and their results, with a view to maximizing the coordination and effectiveness of those efforts and the impact of those efforts on combating organized criminal groups and related criminal networks, and encourages States and international organizations to share good practices in that area.

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<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vols. 2225, 2237, 2241 and 2326, No. 39574.