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Strategy and policies for drug controlNote by the Secretary-General

1. In paragraphs 3 and 4 of resolution 36/168 of 16 December 1981 entitled "International Drug Abuse Control Strategy", the General Assembly requested the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to establish a task force to review, monitor and co-ordinate the implementation of the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy and the programme of action, to review the report of its task force and to report thereon, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session and annually thereafter. In its resolution 38/98 of 16 December 1983 entitled "Strategy and policies for drug control", the Assembly decided that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, meeting in plenary during its sessions and in the presence of all interested observers, would constitute the task force envisaged in resolution 36/168. The present note is submitted to the General Assembly in compliance with the request to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to report on the implementation of the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy and programme of action.
2. By resolution 40/129 of 13 December 1985 entitled "Strategy and policies for drug control", the General Assembly approved the 1986 Programme of Action, the fifth year of the basic five-year programme of the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy.
3. The Programme of Action would be undertaken both within regular United Nations budget resources and from extrabudgetary financing. However, the possibility was not excluded of recourse to extrabudgetary, voluntarily provided resources, to the extent that such resources might become available for those activities that had originally been suggested for implementation within available regular budget resources.

4. The 1986 Programme of Action was reviewed by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its thirty-first session, in February 1985. 1/ The presentation of the projects in the Programme of Action for 1986 which was before the Commission, 2/ was done in such a way as to facilitate comparison with the Division's proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 which was also before the Commission in a note by the Secretary-General. 3/ Excerpts from draft section 20 (International drug control) of the proposed programme budget 1986-1987 was presented in that note pursuant to the view that had been expressed at the Commission's eighth special session, 4/ during the discussion of the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy and the 1984-1985 programme of action, that the overall schedule of work for the biennium should be presented to the thirty-first session, incorporating and identifying proposals to be included in the programme of action.

5. Following its discussions on the International Drug Abuse Control Strategy, the Commission adopted resolution 1 (XXXI) entitled "International Drug Abuse Control Strategy and future priorities". In paragraph 1 of the resolution, the Commission recommended that future programmes for international action to combat drug abuse should be formulated within the framework of the United Nations medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989, and subsequent medium-term plans, and of the biennial budgets established in accordance with those plans.

6. Information on the implementation of the projects carried out under the 1986 Programme of Action will be included in the section on the activities of the Division of Narcotic Drugs in the report of the Secretary-General on international co-operation in drug abuse control.

#### Notes

1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 3 (E/1985/23).

2/ E/CN.7/1985/17.

3/ E/CN.7/1985/18, paras. 8-11 and annex.

4/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1984, Supplement No. 3 (E/1984/13), para. 105.

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