

to continue its work as envisaged in paragraph 1 of Council resolution 1273 (XLIII);

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene the Group early in 1970 and to make appropriate financial allocation to enable the Group to continue its work;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to report to the Council on the results of the next meeting of the Group.

*1602nd plenary meeting,
6 June 1969.*

1398 (XLVI). Reports of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and of the International Narcotics Control Board

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its twenty-third session³ and of the first report of the International Narcotics Control Board.⁴

*1600th plenary meeting,
5 June 1969.*

1399 (XLVI). Need for the adoption of urgent measures for ratification of or accession to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 833 B (XXXII) of 3 August 1961 and 914 C (XXXIV) of 3 August 1962 as well as General Assembly resolution 1774 (XVII) of 7 December 1962,

Considering that effective measures against abuse of narcotic drugs require co-ordinated and universal action,

Recognizing the importance of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961⁵ in limiting narcotic drugs to medical and scientific use and in promoting international co-operation and control for the achievement of such aims and objectives,

Taking note with satisfaction that, as of 12 May 1969, seventy States had ratified or acceded to the 1961 Convention,

Desiring to accelerate the unification and improvement of the existing system of treaty control of narcotic drugs in accordance with the purposes and principles of the 1961 Convention,

Urges Governments not yet Parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, to take such steps as may be necessary for ratification of, or accession to, this Convention.

*1600th plenary meeting,
5 June 1969.*

1400 (XLVI). International co-operation for the replacement of cannabis cultivation in Lebanon

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1292 (XLIV) of 23 May

1968, noting the report of the Secretary-General on progress in replacing cannabis cultivation in Lebanon⁶ submitted pursuant thereto, and further noting that the General Assembly in its resolution 2434 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 had stressed the necessity of putting an end to the illegal or uncontrolled production of narcotic raw materials,

Being advised that the Government of Lebanon continues to pursue successfully its cannabis replacement programme and intends to supplement the sunflower project with other substitute crops, such as fruit trees, grapes and Mexican wheat, which call for particular efforts in the field of irrigation, industrialization, transport and storage,

1. *Extends* once again its congratulations to the Government of Lebanon for its untiring efforts which involve substantial financial sacrifices in taking measures essentially designed to protect victim countries from the scourge caused by the abuse of cannabis;

2. *Invites* the organizations of the United Nations system and, in particular, the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to examine as sympathetically as possible, within the framework of their approved budgets, requests for technical assistance in this field that may be addressed to them by the Government of Lebanon;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to explore the sources of public and private aid of a national or regional character capable of furnishing assistance in funds and equipment to the Government of Lebanon, in its effort to complete its cannabis substitution programme;

4. *Expresses the hope* that the countries which are particular victims of cannabis in this region, and in the world generally, will actively co-operate with the Government of Lebanon in its altruistic efforts and sacrifices.

*1600th plenary meeting,
5 June 1969.*

1401 (XLVI). The application of urgent control measures to certain stimulant drugs

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2433 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968, World Health Assembly resolutions WHA 20.43 of 25 May 1967 and WHA 21.42 of 23 May 1968, its own resolutions 1293 (XLIV) and 1294 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968 and the recommendations adopted by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its twenty-first and twenty-second sessions as to control measures in respect of psychotropic substances,⁷

Having received disquieting information that in some countries there is increasing misuse, especially by young people, of central nervous system stimulants notably of the amphetamine type,

Deeply concerned that such increasing abuse of these stimulants constitutes a grave danger for the health of the individual and for society and foreseeing the

³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session*, document E/4606/Rev.1.

⁴ E/INCB/1 (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.69.XI.4).

⁵ United Nations publication, Sales No.: 62.XI.1.

⁶ See E/CN.7/514, paras. 84-93.

⁷ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4294)*, chap. VI; and *ibid.*, *Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4455)*, chap. VI.