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## **High-level Signing Conference for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 51/120 of 12 December 1996, in which it took note of the proposed draft United Nations framework convention against organized crime introduced by Poland, and requested the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to consider, as a matter of priority, the question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime, taking into account the views of all States on the matter, with a view to finalizing its work on the question as soon as possible,

Recalling also its resolution 52/85 of 12 December 1997, in which it decided to establish an inter-sessional open-ended intergovernmental group of experts for the purpose of elaborating a preliminary draft of a possible comprehensive international convention against organized transnational crime,

Recalling further its resolution 53/111 of 9 December 1998, in which it welcomed with appreciation the report of the meeting of the intergovernmental group of experts, held in Warsaw from 2 to 6 February 1998,<sup>2</sup> and decided to establish an open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc committee for the purpose of elaborating a comprehensive international convention against transnational organized crime and discussing the elaboration, as appropriate, of international instruments addressing trafficking in women and children, combating the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, and illegal trafficking in and transporting of migrants, including by sea,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/C.3/51/7, annex.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> E/CN.15/1998/5.

Expressing appreciation to the Ad Hoc Committee for the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime for the progress made in the development of the convention,

*Taking note* of its resolution 54/\_\_, in which it requested the Ad Hoc Committee to intensify its work in order to complete it in the year 2000,

*Recognizing* the initiating role and the contribution of Poland to the development of a draft convention against transnational organized crime,

Welcoming with appreciation the offer of Poland to host a high-level signing conference for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime,

- 1. Decides that the negotiations on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the additional protocols thereto shall be concluded in Vienna;
- 2. Also decides that the High-level Signing Conference for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Additional Protocols shall be held in Warsaw;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraph 17 of its resolution 47/202 A of 22 December 1992, to schedule the holding of the High-level Signing Conference before the end of the Millennium Assembly, in the year 2000;
- 4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to prepare the programme of the Highlevel Signing Conference in Warsaw in consultation with the Government of Poland.