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**Drug demand reduction: Action Plan for the
Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding
Principles of Drug Demand Reduction****United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution****Reduction of illicit drug demand**

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling that, in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session,¹ Member States recognized that action against the world drug problem was a common and shared responsibility requiring an integrated and balanced approach,

Reaffirming the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session,

Recalling the commitment by Member States to introduce into their national programmes and strategies the provisions set out in the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction,²

Recalling also that the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction³ is offered as guidance to Member States in implementing their commitments and that the role of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, as outlined in the Action Plan, is to provide guidance and assistance and set up a database on national drug control strategies, to provide assistance on the establishment of national information systems for monitoring the drug abuse problem, including regionally and

* E/CN.7/2002/1.

¹ General Assembly resolution S-20/2, annex.

² General Assembly resolution S-20/3, annex.

³ General Assembly resolution 54/132, annex.



internationally recognized core indicators, and to facilitate the sharing of information on best strategies,

Taking note of the framework developed by the Secretariat for ensuring that programmes and projects for the reduction of illicit drug demand fully address the challenges detailed in the Action Plan,

Recalling its resolution 42/11, in which it decided to submit a report to the General Assembly in the year 2003 on the progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration,

Bearing in mind the follow-up mechanism, established in its resolution 42/11, for examining progress made in implementing the action plans and measures adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session,

Taking note of the consolidated first biennial report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly,⁴

Stressing the need for reliable and comparable data enabling an objective assessment of the nature and magnitude of the drug abuse problem, as a basis both for the development of countermeasures and for the evaluation of the progress made and the role played by the annual reports questionnaire and the biennial reports questionnaire in implementing the action plans and measures adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session,

Recalling its resolution 44/3, in which it called upon States to review the mechanism by which data for part II of the annual reports questionnaire were being collated and submitted and to consider designating a technical focal point for assisting in the collation of the data,

1. *Calls upon* Member States to redouble their efforts in 2002 so as to provide timely and comprehensive replies to the annual reports questionnaire and the biennial reports questionnaire so that a careful and meaningful analysis can be made in the review of the progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets for 2003 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session, and encourages Member States to ensure that they fully report the available data and involve their appropriate technical agencies and governmental departments in the preparation of their replies to the questionnaires;

2. *Calls upon* the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to summarize for Member States, in the context of the review of the progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets for 2003 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session, the current state of implementation of activities for the reduction of illicit drug demand throughout the world and evidence of the effectiveness of those activities;

3. *Also calls upon* the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to prepare, for consideration by Member States at the forty-sixth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, a programme of work for the period 2003-2007, based on the strategic framework for the

⁴ E/CN.7/2001/16.

implementation of the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction, with the aim of:

(a) Improving national and global information systems for reporting on activities for the reduction of illicit drug demand;

(b) Facilitating the sharing of information on good practice in activities for the reduction of illicit drug demand;

(c) Supporting Member States seeking expertise in developing their own strategies and activities for the reduction of illicit drug demand;

4. *Calls upon* Member States to cooperate with the United Nations International Drug Control Programme in taking the action described in the present resolution;

5. *Urges* Member States to further invest in projects for the reduction of illicit drug demand and to consider the areas identified as priorities in the framework developed by the Secretariat for ensuring that programmes and projects for the reduction of illicit drug demand fully address the challenges detailed in the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction.
