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#### **Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly: general overview and progress achieved by Governments in meeting the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the Assembly at its twentieth special session**

#### **Algeria, Pakistan and Turkey: draft resolution**

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolution:

#### **International assistance to the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2002/21 of 24 July 2002 and the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session, devoted to countering the world drug problem together,<sup>1</sup> the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction<sup>2</sup> and the measures to enhance international cooperation to counter the world drug problem,<sup>3</sup>

*Taking note* of the second biennial report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly,<sup>4</sup> his report on international assistance to the States most affected by the transit of drugs<sup>5</sup> and other relevant reports submitted to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its forty-sixth session,

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

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

<sup>3</sup> General Assembly resolution S-20/4 A to E.

<sup>4</sup> E/CN.7/2003/2 and Add.1-6.

<sup>5</sup> E/CN.7/2003/11.



*Acknowledging* efforts by national authorities and the international community, including the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, to combat trafficking in illicit drugs through transit States,

*Taking note* of the fact that the transit States continue to face grave and multifaceted challenges, on account of both the problems related to drug trafficking and illicit drug supply and the prevalence of high levels of drug abuse resulting from the increasing local consumption of illicit drugs passing through their territories,

*Bearing in mind* the need to strengthen law enforcement capacities at the national, subregional and regional levels, in order to counter illicit drug trafficking and prevent drug abuse,

*Recognizing* the need to provide, for that purpose, international assistance to the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs,

1. *Encourages* the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs to continue to implement and strengthen national, subregional and regional law enforcement initiatives and cross-border cooperation with a view to promoting coordinated drug control activities and unified responses to drug trafficking;

2. *Emphasizes* the importance of greater inter-agency coordination for the achievement of effective drug control strategies at all levels;

3. *Calls upon* the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and Member States to facilitate such initiatives by providing assistance and technical support to the drug control authorities of the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs, in particular developing countries in need of such assistance and support;

4. *Requests* the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and Member States, in providing assistance to the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs, to integrate projects for the reduction of illicit drug demand and the strengthening of treatment and rehabilitation services for drug abusers;

5. *Exhorts* the international financial institutions and other potential donors to provide financial assistance to the States most affected by the transit of illicit drugs so that those States may intensify their efforts to combat drug trafficking and deal with its consequences, in particular increased drug addiction;

6. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to submit to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its forty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.