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**International cooperation in combating transnational
crime****Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syrian
Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen: draft resolution**

The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice recommends to the Economic and Social Council the approval of the following draft resolution for adoption by the General Assembly:

Preventing, combating and punishing trafficking in human organs

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 53/111 of 9 December 1998, by which it established an open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc committee for the purpose of elaborating a comprehensive international convention against transnational organized crime and of discussing the elaboration, as appropriate, of international instruments addressing trafficking in women and children, combating illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, and illegal trafficking in and transporting of migrants, including by sea,

Recalling also its resolution 55/25 of 15 November 2000, by which it adopted the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, its Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, and its Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air,

Recalling further its resolution 55/255 of 31 May 2001, by which it adopted the Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts, Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime,



Concerned about the negative economic and social implications of the activities of organized crime and the emergence of new types of crime, such as trafficking in human organs,

Alarmed at the exploitation by organized criminal groups of human needs, poverty and destitution for the purpose of trafficking in human organs, using violence, force, coercion and kidnapping, especially kidnapping of children, with a view to exploiting them in organ transfer and transplant operations,

Noting with concern that illicit trafficking in human organs constitutes a gross violation of the human rights of its victims,

Convinced of the urgent need to strengthen local, regional and international cooperation in effective prevention and combating of such activities,

Determined to prevent the provision of safe haven to those who participate in or earn from transnational organized crime and to prosecute such persons for the crimes they commit, whatever the form of crime or wherever the place of occurrence may be,

Deplores the treatment of the human body as a commercial article for barter and sale by traffickers and deplores any violation of human values,

Aware of the role of organized criminal groups in eroding the dignity of the human body and soul,

1. *Urges* Member States to adopt the necessary measures to prevent, combat and punish trafficking in human organs;
 2. *Encourages* Member States to exchange experience in and information on preventing, combating and punishing trafficking in human organs;
 3. *Requests* the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to pay particular attention to the issue of trafficking in human organs;
 4. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in collaboration with the States and organizations concerned, to prepare a study on the phenomenon of trafficking in human organs and to present it in a report to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its fifteenth session.
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