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**Illicit drug traffic and supply: world situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by the subsidiary bodies of the Commission**

#### **Draft resolution submitted by the Sixth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe\***

The Sixth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, recommends to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs the approval of the following draft resolution for adoption by the Economic and Social Council:

#### **Frequency of meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe**

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

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 53/115 of 9 December 1998, 54/132 of 17 December 1999, 55/65 of 4 December 2000, 56/124 of 19 December 2001, 57/174 of 18 December 2002, 58/141 of 22 December 2003 and 59/163 of 20 December 2004, in which the Assembly stressed the importance of the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, in all regions of the world, and of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, and encouraged them to continue to contribute to the strengthening of regional and international cooperation, taking into account the outcome of the twentieth special session of the Assembly,

*Recalling also* that, in its resolution 1990/30 of 24 May 1990, entitled "Establishment of a Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement

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\* The Sixth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, was held in Vienna from 7 to 11 February 2005. The draft resolution appeared in document E.CN.7/2005/5/Add.1, para. 1.



Agencies, European Region”, it decided to establish a Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, with the status of a subsidiary organ of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

*Recalling further* its resolution 1992/28 of 30 July 1992, entitled “Improvement of the functioning of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs”, in which it requested the Commission to examine further, on a regular basis, the functioning of its subsidiary bodies,

*Recalling* its resolution 1993/36 of 27 July 1993, entitled “Frequency of and arrangements for meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe”, in which it invited the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to convene the Third Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, in 1995, and thereafter to convene such meetings every three years,

*Alarmed* at the serious and growing threat posed by organized criminal groups involved in drug trafficking, money-laundering and various other forms of organized crime and their potential and, in some cases, actual links with terrorist groups,

*Convinced* that further action is required to strengthen cooperation and coordination between the members of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, to effectively tackle drug trafficking within the region,

*Also convinced* that it is essential for the heads of all national drug law enforcement agencies in Europe to meet regularly to discuss trends in the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and the action taken to combat it,

*Invites* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to convene the Seventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, in 2007 and thereafter to convene such meetings every two years under the auspices of the Office.