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Finland, France, Netherlands and Norway: draft decision

International cooperation on technical assistance related to the follow-up of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

The Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, recalling the close link between assistance in the field of governance and the implementation of the Convention and recognizing the need to mobilize support from the international community to that end:

- (a) Recognizes that the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption and the fight against corruption are key to development and therefore should be mainstreamed into ongoing development cooperation;
- (b) Calls on donors to provide additional resources for the provision of technical assistance to facilitate the effective implementation of the Convention;
- (c) Reminds all donors involved in technical assistance of the need to coordinate efforts and align them with needs and priorities of partner countries, in accordance with the principles set out in the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness;
- (d) Decides that a workshop of practitioners shall be held within the next six months, bringing together development and legal expertise related to anti-corruption policies and that the outcome of the workshop should be to the benefit of the [intergovernmental/interim working group on technical assistance];
 - (e) Also decides that the workshop shall address the following issues:
 - (i) The importance of the Convention as a framework for governance and anti-corruption efforts;
 - (ii) The coordination of targeted technical assistance related to anticorruption and the broader governance agenda, making full use of the work of the International Group for Anti-Corruption Coordination;

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- (iii) The need to identify geographical or thematic challenges, including gaps in existing efforts;
- (iv) Appropriate mechanisms to ensure coordination between donors;

(f) Requests the Secretariat, in close collaboration with interested parties and within available resources, to facilitate the organization of the workshop.