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Extending international assistance to States adversely affected by the transit of illicit drugs

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 the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session, in paragraph 5 of which Member States agreed to increase their efforts and resources in order to intensify international cooperation and concerted action, based upon the principle of shared responsibility, including the necessary cooperation and assistance to affected States, when requested, in the economic, health, social, judicial and law enforcement sectors in order to strengthen the capabilities of States to deal with the problem in all its aspects,

Recalling also its resolution 2001/16 of 24 July 2001, regarding international assistance to the States most affected by the transit of drugs,

Recalling further the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session,² according to paragraph 38 (e) of which States were to consider, inter alia, extending the scope of economic and technical cooperation in support of crop substitution and integrated rural development programmes and other economic and technical programmes aimed at reducing illicit production and processing of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

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¹ General Assembly resolution S-17/2, annex.

² General Assembly resolution S-17/2, annex.

Realizing that the large volume of drugs, especially heroin and cocaine, flowing into the Arab States has dangerous repercussions for security and development in the region,

- 1. Calls upon donor States and regional and international organizations and other entities to extend technical and financial support to the Arab States so that they may implement their drug control plans and programmes;
- 2. Requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to provide the necessary support to the Arab States so that they may continue to implement their various drug control plans and programmes, and also requests the Office to support their national drug law enforcement agencies.