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**CND Dec.42/2. Clarification of the scope of control of the Convention on  
Psychotropic Substances of 1971**

At its 1163rd meeting, on 16 March 1999, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs decided that:

(a) The scope of control of Schedule I of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 should be clarified by the addition of the following phrase:

"The stereoisomers, unless specifically excepted, of substances in this Schedule, whenever the existence of such stereoisomers is possible within the specific chemical designation";

(b) With regard to stereoisomers of substances in Schedules II, III and IV of the 1971 Convention, interpretation guidelines should be developed by the World Health Organization, in collaboration with the International Narcotics Control Board, in order to eliminate the confusion arising from the inconsistencies in the present nomenclature of those Schedules.

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