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**CND Dec. B3-B18(V). CND Decisions**

The Commission decided

CND Dec. B3(V) That in the work of the Division of Narcotic Drugs the following matters should be given the priority indicated:

- (1) Performance of functions directly related to the implementation of the international treaties on narcotic drugs
- (2) Proposed interim agreement to limit the production of opium to medical and scientific needs
- (3) Single convention on narcotic drugs
- (4) Work consequent upon the report of the United Nations Commission of Enquiry on the Coca Leaf to the Economic and Social Council
- (5) Methods for determining the origin of opium by chemical and physical means.

CND Dec. B4(V) To request the Secretary-General:

- (1) To obtain from the competent authorities of Kuwait, from whom annual reports had never been received, more detailed information on the alleged offer for sale in that territory of seven and a half tons of morphine;
- (2) To obtain from the Government of the Union of South Africa an account of the work of a commission set up in that country, according to its annual report for 1948, to inquire into the misuse of dagga; and
- (3) To obtain from the Government of Argentina, if information on the subject were not included in the annual report for 1949, particulars of the cultivation of the opium poppy announced in that country's annual report for 1948.

CND Dec. B5(V) To ask the Secretary-General:

- (1) To draw the attention of the Government of Haiti to the need for amending that country's legislation on narcotic drugs, which dates from 1922, to apply the provisions of international treaties concluded after that year; and
- (2) To draw the attention of the Government of Australia to the export by that country of diacetylmorphine in apparent breach of the provisions of the 1931 Convention.

CND Dec. B6(V) To ask the Secretary-General to draw the attention of the Government of Finland specially to the provisions of article 10 of the 1931 Convention regulating the international trade in diacetylmorphine.

CND Dec. B7(V) To request the Secretary-General to obtain immediately from the Governments of Syria and Lebanon information relating to the situation in their respective countries in so far as the cultivation

of Indian hemp and the production of hashish were concerned, and also, from the Government of Syria, information concerning the export of opium mentioned by the representative of Turkey.

CND Dec. B8(V) To take note of the statement of the representative of Thailand on the situation of the illicit traffic in that country and thank him for it.

CND Dec. B9(V) To request the Secretary-General to inform the Government of Italy of the substance of the discussion on heroin diversion in that country and to ask for its comments.

CND Dec. B10(V) To include the United States draft resolution on illicit trafficking by **the** crews of merchant ships in its report, and to request the Secretary-General to ask governments for their comments on the possibilities of giving effect to the resolution and to communicate these comments to the Commission as soon as possible.

CND Dec. B11(V) To record its appreciation of the offer of co-operation extended by the International Criminal Police Commission which, considering the relations already established between that Organization and the Economic and Social Council, it will be happy to accept as likely to contribute to the achievement of its aim to suppress the illicit traffic in dangerous drugs.

CND Dec. B12(V) To request the Secretary-General to obtain from the governments represented on the Commission their views on the proposal for the establishment of an International Monopoly of Alkaloids and to communicate these views to the Commission during its sixth session.

CND Dec. B13(V) To endorse the decisions of its Joint Committee of the Principal Opium-producing Countries and of the Principal Drug-manufacturing Countries relating to a study of methods of assaying, packing, sampling and weighing opium, as given in paragraph 31 of document E/CN.7/214: E/CN.7/AC.4/3.

CND Dec. B14(V) To invite the Governments of Belgium, Italy and Switzerland to be represented on the Commission by observers during that part of its sixth session which it would devote to the proposed interim agreement to limit the production of opium to **medical** and scientific needs.

CND Dec. B15(V) To request the Secretary-General to communicate with the Republic of Indonesia to ascertain how the opium dens in that country obtained their supplies of opium since there was no longer any official source of supply.

CND Dec. B16(V) To request the Secretary-General to continue research on methods for determining the morphine and codeine content of opium within the scope of Economic and Social Council resolution 246F(IX), and to explore the possibilities of research into the methods of determining the origin of opium by scientific means other than those referred to in that resolution.

CND Dec. B17(V) To take note, with appreciation, of the work done on drug addiction at its request by the Expert Committee of the World Health Organization on Drugs Liable to Produce Addiction.

CND Dec. B18(V) To request the Secretary-General to refer the French notification on morpholyethylmorphine back to the World Health Organization with the request for its re-examination in the light of fresh information which the Government of France would make available.

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