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CND Res.8(S-V). Necessary resources for international drug control from the United Nations regular budget^{*/}

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling its resolution 7(XXVI) of 27 February 1975, resolutions 3445(XXX) of 9 December 1975 and 31/125 of 16 December 1976 of the General Assembly and resolution 2081(LXII) of 13 May 1977 of the Economic and Social Council,

Re-emphasizing that the workload involved in the regular and statutory obligations to be carried out in international drug control by the relevant secretariats of the United Nations has considerably increased, in particular through the entry into force and the implementation of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances, which has added a new and complex sector to international drug control,

Mindful that the resources needed to carry out this additional and increased workload should be included in, and met by, appropriate allocations for international drug control under the regular budget of the United Nations and should not, as a matter of principle, be taken from extrabudgetary funds (United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control) designed to finance other complementary activities, programmes and projects related to international drug control,

Concerned that the necessary resources for the performance of those increased regular and statutory obligations in international drug control have not yet been allocated under the regular budget of the United Nations,

Welcoming, however, the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its seventeenth session in May/June 1977, which recognized this increased workload in international drug control and agreed to give serious consideration to the absorption of this work within the regular budget from 1980 onwards, when examining in 1978 the medium-term plan for 1980-1983,

1. Appeals to the Member States, as well as to the competent organs and bodies, of the United Nations to ensure that the necessary resources be allocated under the regular budget of the United Nations for international drug control, so that the relevant secretariats may be enabled to carry out efficiently their increased workload in this important field of activities;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures in this respect in the preparation and presentation of the relevant parts of the medium-term plan and the draft programme-budget, and to bring the present resolution to the attention of the competent organs and bodies as well as to the Member States of the United Nations.

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^{*/} See E/1978/35-E/CN.7/621, para. 225.
