Resolution 25/3

Strengthening crime prevention in support of sustainable development, including sustainable tourism

The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice,

Recalling the declarations adopted by the Twelfth and Thirteenth United Nations Congresses on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, in particular their recognition of the importance of effective, fair, humane and accountable crime prevention and criminal justice systems and institutions comprising them as a central component of the rule of law, and their acknowledgement that sustainable development and the rule of law are strongly interrelated and mutually reinforcing,

Mindful of the provisions contained in the Guidelines for the Prevention of Crime,

Recalling the importance of integrating crime prevention considerations into all relevant social and economic policies and programmes that place particular emphasis on communities, families, children and youth,

Noting that the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015 includes sustainable tourism,

Noting with appreciation the initiatives of States in the sphere of tourism, development and public security, such as the “First regional congress on tourism, development and security for all: a forum for facilitating citizen and tourist security in Central America and the Dominican Republic”, held in San Salvador from 15 to 17 November 2015,

Expressing concern that public spaces, places drawing crowds and tourist settings have been targeted by terrorists,

Taking into account the memorandum of understanding between the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the World Tourism Organization signed in 2012,

Recalling its resolution 22/4 of 26 April 2013, entitled “Enhancing the effectiveness of countering criminal threats to the tourism sector, including terrorist threats, in particular, by means of international cooperation and public-private partnerships”.

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2 Doha Declaration on Integrating Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice into the Wider United Nations Agenda to Address Social and Economic Challenges and to Promote the Rule of Law at the National and International Levels, and Public Participation (General Assembly resolution 70/174, annex).

3 Economic and Social Council resolution 2002/13, annex.
Recognizing the impact that organized crime and terrorism have on sustainable development, including sustainable tourism,

Stressing the need for responsible tourism and its beneficial socioeconomic impact on local communities, the economic empowerment of women through tourism, fair tourism, the protection of children against all forms of exploitation in tourism, the prevention of trafficking in human beings and in cultural artefacts, respect for intangible cultural heritage, the protection of tourists as consumers and the provision of unbiased information to tourists,

1. Encourages Member States to integrate crime prevention measures into all relevant social and economic policies and programmes, including policies and programmes addressing employment, education and poverty, and into policies to promote sustainable tourism, and to exchange successful experiences and best practices in this regard;

2. Also encourages Member States to strengthen their crime prevention strategies in order to contribute to sustainable development, including sustainable tourism, and to adequately respond to criminal and terrorist threats to the tourism sector;

3. Requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, in collaboration with the World Tourism Organization, within their respective mandates to support, upon request, the efforts of States and subregional, regional and international organizations in the implementation of their strategies and activities to strengthen crime prevention and sustainable development, including sustainable tourism;

4. Also requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to report to the Commission at its twenty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution;

5. Invites Member States and other donors to provide extrabudgetary resources for the purposes described above, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations.