

Resolution 58/10

Promoting the use of the international electronic import and export authorization system for licit international trade in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling article 31 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol⁵⁷ and article 12 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971,⁵⁸ which require the issuance of import and export authorizations for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

Recalling also its resolution 55/6 of 16 March 2012, in which the Commission encouraged Member States to provide financial and political support for the development, maintenance and administration of an international electronic import and export authorization system for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control, requested the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to undertake the development and maintenance of the system and invited the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board to administer the system during the development phase in that biennium,

Recalling further its resolution 56/7 of 15 March 2013, in which it urged Member States to promote and facilitate the use of the system for the exchange of import and export authorizations and requested the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the International Narcotics Control Board to provide training to competent national authorities on the use of the system,

Reaffirming that the system will facilitate the real-time exchange of import and export authorizations between importing and exporting countries in a safe and secure environment and assist competent national authorities in managing the increasing workload of processing import and export authorizations,

Aware of the fact that the further development of such an authorization system would rely on voluntary contributions from Member States,

Acknowledging the political, financial and technical support provided by some Member States for the development and pilot testing of the system,

1. *Welcomes* the launch of the international electronic import and export authorization system for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control during the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;
2. *Invites* Member States to continue to provide voluntary financial contributions to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime for the maintenance of the international electronic import and export authorization system;
3. *Invites* the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board to continue administering and monitoring the system, in line with its mandate, and

⁵⁷ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 976, No. 14152.

⁵⁸ *Ibid.*, vol. 1019, No. 14956.

encourages Member States to provide the fullest possible financial support to enable it to do so;

4. *Urges* Member States to promote and facilitate the fullest possible use of the system as a basis for the further strengthening of the international drug control system, including through the International Narcotics Control Board;

5. *Also urges* Member States to communicate to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the International Narcotics Control Board any feedback or suggestions they may have with regard to the further enhancement of the system;

6. *Invites* the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board, in full and close cooperation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, to provide training to competent national authorities on the operation of the system and on the relevant provisions of the international drug control conventions and the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Narcotic Drugs relating to the international electronic import and export authorization system for licit international trade in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

7. *Invites* Member States and other donors to provide extrabudgetary resources for these purposes, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations.