
Economic and Social Council

Distr.
GENERAL

April/May 1957

CND Dec. 2, 3, 6, 7, 9-38(XII). CND Decisions

The Commission decided:

CND Dec. 2(XII) To postpone consideration of the proposed United Nations Middle East Anti-Narcotics Bureau or Agency until the thirteenth session.

CND Dec. 3(XII) To authorize its Rapporteur to draw up an account of the procedure adopted to discharge item 5 on its agenda (the draft Single Convention), to annex the draft text of part of the Convention prepared by the Drafting Committee, as amended and approved by the Commission, and to transmit this account on its behalf to the Council as an additional part of its report.

CND Dec. 6(XII) To indicate its intention of inviting observers from States not members of the Commission to participate in its deliberations on certain items for discussion during its thirteenth session, as set forth in paragraph 28.

CND Dec. 7(XII) To appeal to all Governments to pay special attention to the need for strict application of the provisions of the international narcotics treaties.

CND Dec. 9(XII) To request the Secretariat to study, in co-operation with the World Health Organization, the possibility of applying a procedure such as that outlined in document E/CN.7/331/Rev.1 regarding the adoption of international non-proprietary names for narcotic drugs under international control, and to draft suitable provisions for consideration for inclusion in the Single Convention.

CND Dec. 10(XII) That in accordance with article 2 of the 1948 Protocol, the measures applicable to drugs specified in article 1, paragraph 2, group I of the 1931 Convention should provisionally apply to the substance d-2, 2-di-phenyl-3-methyl-4-morpholino-butyryl-pyrrolidine, also known by the symbol R.875, pending receipt of the decision or findings of WHO.

CND Dec. 11(XII) To urge Governments to co-operate with PCOB in supplying data promptly.

CND Dec. 12(XII) To remind Governments which had not yet complied therewith, of the recommendation in Economic and Social Council resolution 548 FI(XVIII) regarding the discontinuance of the medical use of cannabis.

CND Dec. 13(XII) To express its appreciation of the presence of Mr. Safwat, representative of the Permanent Anti-Narcotics Bureau of the League of Arab States, and Mr. J. Nepote of ICPO and the hope that representatives of both organizations would continue to attend future sessions of the Committee on Illicit Traffic and the Commission.

CND Dec. 14(XII) (a) To express its gratitude for the assistance and information made available to the Committee on Illicit Traffic and the Commission by the observers of countries who were present during the meetings; and to express the hope that in future better co-operation would be forthcoming from Governments who had been invited to send observers to its meetings but who had been unable to attend, despite repeated invitations.

(b) To approve the continuation of the practice of the Committee on Illicit Traffic meeting three working days in advance of the regular session of the Commission; and to nominate the following countries to be

represented on the Committee in 1958: Canada, Egypt, France, India, Iran, Mexico, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

(c) To take note of the suggestions made by a working group of the Committee on Illicit Traffic regarding means of facilitating the consideration of documents presented to the Committee.

CND Dec. 15(XII) That attention of Governments should be drawn to the increasing traffic in cannabis in the world, and the significance of the point that it is sometimes used as an introduction to the "white" drugs.

CND Dec. 16(XII) As regards the reporting of origins of drugs seized in the illicit traffic, to recommend Governments to give careful attention to the two related aspects of this question, viz., to increase reports on origin and, at the same time, to increase their consultations with other Governments about them; and to draw attention to the facilities offered by ICPO for the prompt dissemination of information on traffickers at the disposal of Governments.

CND Dec. 17(XII) (a) To draw the attention of the Government of Burma to the relevant discussions on illicit traffic, and to urge the Government to submit promptly and regularly information relating to the illicit traffic in accordance with the international narcotic treaties to which it is a party.

(b) To request the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the Burmese authorities the information made available to it indicating the existence of clandestine manufacture of crude morphine in or around the Shan States.

CND Dec. 18(XII) To commend the Turkish authorities upon the strict measures they had adopted against illicit traffickers.

CND Dec. 19(XII) To commend the Government of Thailand on the steps it had already taken, and to express the hope that it would vigorously continue and complete its action so as to suppress completely the non-medical consumption of opium.

CND Dec. 20(XII) To note with approval the great efforts of the authorities in Hong Kong to curb the illicit traffic, and to commend the Government in this regard.

CND Dec. 21(XII) To note with approval the heavy penalties imposed by the Governments of Canada, China and the United States on convicted traffickers.

CND Dec. 22(XII) To request the Secretary-General to ask the Syrian Government for detailed information regarding the large confiscations of morphine reported in 1955 and to urge that Government to communicate promptly and regularly reports on seizures in accordance with article 23 of the 1931 Convention.

CND Dec. 23(XII) To request the Secretary-General to draw the attention of the Colombian Government to the discussion on the question of the detection of a clandestine laboratory for the manufacture of diacetylmorphine in that country, so that a report might be forthcoming.

CND Dec. 24(XII) To request the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the Cuban Government the discussions relating to the growing illicit traffic in Cuba and also to request that Government to communicate a report on the seizure of cocaine mentioned during the discussion.

CND Dec. 25(XII) To bring to the attention of Governments the need for continual vigilance regarding diversions from licit channels.

CND Dec. 26(XII) To draw the attention of Governments to the widespread international ramifications of the illicit traffic, the great difficulties encountered by enforcement officers, and the need for continuous mutual exchange of current information regarding illicit trafficking; and to express the hope that Governments would pay greater heed to its appeals for better and closer international co-operation and, in particular, carry out fully the obligations of article 23 of the 1931 Convention.

CND Dec. 27(XII) To express the hope that Governments would make a special effort to communicate advance chapters of their annual reports on illicit traffic, in as complete form as possible, and by the

desired date.

CND Dec. 28(XII) To request the Secretariat to obtain additional information on drug addiction from the following countries, if possible in time for the next session: Cuba, Liberia, Philippines and Viet-Nam.

CND Dec. 29(XII) To request the Secretariat to prepare annually a supplementary return, following generally the form used in 1956, on the implementation of the recommendations of the Council and of the Commission concerning the prohibition of diacetylmorphine.

CND Dec. 30(XII) To congratulate the Government of India on the great efforts which it was making to deal with the problem of cannabis and cannabis drugs.

CND Dec. 31(XII) To request the Secretariat to undertake further cannabis surveys with regard to Lebanon and Nepal, and any other countries in which the question is of importance, subject to consultation with the Governments concerned.

CND Dec. 32(XII) To ask the Secretary-General to renew his request for information from the Government of Nepal regarding cannabis.

CND Dec. 33(XII) To express its appreciation of the great value of the study by WHO on synthetic drugs received in accordance with Council resolution 505 C(XVI), and to recommend that these studies of synthetic substances with morphine-like effects should be continued and kept up to date by WHO.

CND Dec. 34 (XII) To approve the programme for further studies in the field of synthetic drugs, as set out in document E/CN.7/319/Add.1, latitude being left to the Secretariat regarding priorities among them.

CND Dec. 35(XII) To consider the revision of chapter X (drug addiction) of the Form of Annual Reports at its thirteenth session.

CND Dec. 36(XII) That there was no reason for revising its position on ketobemidone, and that it would not recommend the reconsideration of Council resolution 548 H II(XVIII).

CND Dec. 37(XII) To postpone until its thirteenth session further consideration of the measures to be taken for the control of khat.

CND Dec. 38(XII) To invite the Governments concerned to co-operate closely with each other in dealing with the problem of khat, to study the medical, social and economic effects of the consumption of khat leaves and the possibility of limiting or abolishing the cultivation of the plant in their respective territories, and to report their conclusions to the Secretary-General at an early date to enable him to submit this information to the Commission for use at its thirteenth session.

April/May 1957
