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**CND Measures to implement the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic substances<sup>\*/</sup>  
Res.3(XXVII).**

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Bearing in mind the role of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances in the control of the marketing and use of certain medicaments,

Recognizing the need on the one hand to ensure the availability of effective therapeutic substances and on the other to protect public health against their undesirable effects,

Having regard, in particular to article 2, 3, 10 and 20 of the Convention, which expressly or implicitly concern the World Health Organization and entrust it with a number of responsibilities,

Having regard to resolution 31/125, adopted at the 102nd meeting of the United Nations General Assembly at its thirty-first session, relation to the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances and inviting the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the World Health Organization to take into consideration their respective responsibilities under the Convention,

Recommends:

(a) That the World Health Organization should as a matter of extreme urgency make all the necessary arrangements to enable it to discharge as rapidly as possible the functions assigned to it under the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances;

(b) That Governments which have not yet done so should be urged to ratify, or to accede to, the 1971 Convention.

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<sup>\*/</sup> See E/5933; E/CN.7/605, chap. IX [and XVI].

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