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At its 874th meeting on 22 February 1979, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs took the following decision:

(a) The report of the Fifth Meeting of Operational Heads of National Narcotics Law Enforcement Agencies, Far East Region, is noted with gratitude and the Meeting is commended on its work;

(b) The timely recommendations of the Meeting on the possible implications and risks of any decriminalization or legalization of the non-medical use of cannabis plant preparations should be taken into account by all Governments concerned:

(c) All Governments concerned are invited, in the absence of any existing arrangement, to take measures through their respective embassies or consulates to assist each other in dealing rapidly with questions affecting the illicit drug traffic and its ramifications, possibly by appointing drug control liaison officers, and the Secretary-General is requested to draw the attention of Governments to such a possible course of action;

(d) The Secretary-General is requested to draw the attention of all Governments to the increased prevalence of the use of false or forged passports by illicit drug traffickers and couriers, and to invite Governments to take counter-measures in this respect;

(e) The Secretary-General is authorized to invite France (New Caledonia), Maldives, New Zealand (Cook Islands), Samoa and Tonga to attend future meetings of Operational Heads of National Narcotics Law Enforcement Agencies, Far East Region, and to request the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control to provide, if necessary, additional financial resources to facilitate the participation of the above-mentioned countries.

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