1980/118. International drug control strategy and policies

At its 18th plenary meeting, on 30 April 1980, the Council decided to bring Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 5 (S-VI) of 20 February 1980, entitled “International drug control strategy and policies”, the text of which is annexed to the present decision, together with the comments made thereon by the Council at its first regular session of 1980, to the attention of the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session for appropriate action.

ANNEX

Resolution adopted by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its 893rd meeting on 20 February 1980

5(S-VI). International drug control strategy and policies

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Pursuant to the request by the General Assembly in paragraph 2 of its resolution 34/177 of 17 December 1979 to finalize at the sixth special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs a meaningful drug control strategy and policies,

Recalling paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 32/124 of 16 December 1977 and Assembly resolution 33/168 of 20 December 1978,

Further recalling Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 8 (XXVIII) of 23 February 1979 and draft resolution III, entitled “Greater United Nations participation in drug abuse control”, recommended by the Commission at its sixth special session to the Economic and Social Council for adoption,

Recognizing the progress already achieved through international efforts in this field,

Mindful of the deteriorating situation in many parts of the world with respect to the availability, abuse and misuse of both narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

Noting with satisfaction the preparatory work done by the Division of Narcotic Drugs,

Considering that, in the limited time available, the Commission has been unable to complete the complex task assigned to it by the General Assembly,

1. Requests the Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs to continue the preparation of a document on international drug control for submission to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its twenty-ninth session, comprising:

(a) A long-term strategy;

(b) A five-year programme of action with cost estimates, defining activities that the Secretary-General would pursue through the Division or other branches of the United Nations, within the framework of the United Nations regular budget, and having as a basis the principles annexed to Commission resolution 8 (XXVIII);

2. Further requests the Director, in the preparation of the document, to take into account opinions expressed by Governments and to consult closely with the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, the specialized agencies and other international organizations, with a view to identifying:

(a) Activities that the Fund might support;

(b) The participation of other specialized agencies and international organizations, including the international
financial institutions;

(c) Supplementary activities that could be available for national, bilateral or regional execution:

3. Invites the Director to carry out this task by appropriate means;

4. Recommends that the Fund should allocate funds to the Division of Narcotic Drugs to the extent that these are not available from the regular budget for this purpose;

5. Requests the Director to ensure that the preliminary draft document is sent to States members of the Commission, as well as to observers, not later than 15 November 1980;

6. Invites the Economic and Social Council to bring the present resolution to the attention of the General Assembly, together with any comments the Council may wish to make, for appropriate action by the Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.