
The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1775 (LIV) of 18 May 1973, by which it authorized the establishment of the Sub-Commission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East,

Taking note of the report of the Sub-Commission on its twenty-third session,29/ particularly paragraph 8 thereof,

Noting the interest expressed at the tenth special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs by three States from the geographic area of the Sub-Commission in participating actively in the deliberations of the Sub-Commission,

Welcoming all forms of international co-operation at the regional level that tend to reinforce co-ordination of the fight against the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

1. Decides that the Sub-Commission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East shall continue to meet annually at a capital in the region, whenever possible, and at the United Nations Office at Vienna prior to regular or special sessions of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;

2. Welcomes and authorizes the enlargement of the Sub-Commission;

3. Endorses the membership of Egypt, India and Jordan in the Sub-Commission;

4. Requests the Secretary-General, at his discretion, to invite States outside the region that request observer status and that are actively involved in countering the illicit drug traffic in, through or from the region to send observers to the meetings of the Sub-Commission, on the understanding that the expenses would be borne by the States concerned.

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