

Resolution 3 (XXXIV)

United Nations International Drug Control Programme\*

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling the conviction expressed in the Political Declaration 1/ adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session that action against drug abuse and illicit production and trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances should be accorded higher priority by the international community and that the United Nations should be the main focus for concerted action and should play an enhanced role in that field,

Further recalling that the General Assembly, in the Political Declaration and the Global Programme of Action 1/ adopted by the Assembly at its seventeenth special session, recognized the need for additional financial and human resources to be made available for United Nations activities in the area of drug abuse control, bearing in mind the additional responsibilities of the United Nations in that regard,

Noting that the General Assembly, in its resolution 45/253 of 21 December 1990, adopted the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 2/ as the principal policy direction of the United Nations, including international drug control as one of the five overall priorities of the plan,

Noting the establishment, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990 on the enhancement of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control, of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme as the single drug control programme into which the structures and the functions of the Division of Narcotic Drugs of the Secretariat, the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board and the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control are to be fully integrated with the objective of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of the United Nations structure for drug abuse control in keeping with the functions and mandates of the United Nations in this field,

Noting that the General Assembly, in its resolution 45/179, invited the Secretary-General to structure the United Nations International Drug Control Programme along the following lines:

"(a) Treaty implementation, which would integrate, with due consideration to treaty arrangements, the functions of the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board and the treaty implementation functions of the Division of Narcotic Drugs, taking into account the independent role of the Board;

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\* See paragraph 47 above.



"(b) Policy implementation and research, with responsibility for implementing policy decisions of the relevant legislative bodies and conducting analytical work;

"(c) Operational activities, with responsibility for coordinating and carrying out the technical cooperation projects currently being executed mainly by the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, the Division of Narcotic Drugs and the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board",

Further noting the appointment by the Secretary-General of the Executive Director as head of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, who assumed office on 1 March 1991,

1. Takes note of the statement made by the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme on the steps undertaken so far to integrate, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990, the structures and functions of the Division of Narcotic Drugs of the Secretariat, the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board and the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control and to make the necessary organizational and managerial arrangements for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;

2. Urges all Governments to provide the fullest possible support, in particular, financial and political support, to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme in order to fulfil the commitments expressed in the Political Declaration and Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session, particularly by increasing general purpose extrabudgetary contributions to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, with a view to expanding and strengthening contributions for technical cooperation with developing countries;

3. Urges the Secretary-General to ensure that, within the resources of the regular budget, the United Nations International Drug Control Programme is provided with the appropriate financial and human resources and with all the facilities it requires to perform its functions effectively;

4. Requests the Executive Director to pursue as a matter of priority the integration process in the implementation of his exclusive responsibility of coordinating and providing effective leadership for all United Nations drug control activities, with due consideration to treaty provisions;

5. Requests the Executive Director to submit to the Commission at its 1992 session an update on the report of the Secretary-General to be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, pursuant to resolution 45/179, paragraph 14, on the organization of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

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1/ General Assembly resolution S-17/2, annex, of 23 February 1990.

2/ A/45/6; to be issued subsequently as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/45/6).