Resolution 5 (XXXV)

Control of illicit drug supply

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling that in the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, 1/ that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol 2/ and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971, 3/ the parties to those Conventions expressed their great concern about the scourge of drugs (in its individual and social consequences) and their determination to combat it;

Recalling also that in the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988, 4/ the parties to that Convention stressed the magnitude of and rising trend in illicit drug production, demand and trafficking and expressed their desire to eliminate the root causes of the problem;

Also recalling that, according to the 1961 Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol, in particular, articles 12 and 14, States are invited to furnish to the International Narcotics Control Board the estimates necessary to facilitate the application of that Convention and the Board should assist States in fulfilling their obligations;

Further recalling that the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session 5/ and the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control 6/ recommend better control of illicit drug production,

Taking note of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 1991, 7/ which shows that the situation has worsened with regard both to illicit drug production and to illicit consumption and trafficking,

1. Requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to consider the possibility of assisting, on request from the States concerned:

   (a) In the establishment, in States and areas producing both natural narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, of systems for the evaluation and control of production that take better account of observed growth in illicit cultivation and production;

   (b) In applying, in the States and areas concerned, appropriate modern technology to evaluate and control illicit cultivation and production with a view to eradicating them, and to assess the possibility of crop substitution or development alternatives, bearing in mind the availability of funds;

2. Invites the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, on the suggestion of the States concerned, to identify an existing producing area where such an initiative could be implemented, and to report to the Commission
on Narcotic Drugs at its thirty-seventh session on the progress achieved, including an estimate of the potential financial implications.

* See paragraph 33 above.


2/ Ibid., vol. 976, No. 14512.


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