

Resolution 10 (XXXVIII)

Coordination and cooperation between the United Nations
International Drug Control Programme and the
Economic Cooperation Organization*

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling that the United Nations International Drug Control Programme has the responsibility for coordinating and providing effective leadership in the field of drug control and related matters,

Noting the programmes of cooperation undertaken by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme in various regions pursuant to its mandate under General Assembly resolution 45/179 of 21 December 1990 to serve as the main focus for concerted international action for drug abuse control,

Considering the recognition by the Economic Cooperation Organization of the importance of cooperative fully and participating, within its field of competence, in regional drug control efforts,

Recognizing the need to strengthen regional cooperation to combat the illicit production, sale, demand, traffic and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and related activities,

Acknowledging the need to enhance efforts to coordinate international action against illicit drug-related activities and to minimize their harmful impact on society,

Welcoming the steps undertaken by member States of the Economic Cooperation Organization with a view to maximizing their contribution to international drug control efforts and to promoting the implementation of the international drug control treaties,

Noting with appreciation that the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the Economic Cooperation Organization signed a memorandum of understanding on 15 March 1995,

1. Recommends the exchange of information, technical cooperation, programmes to meet the training needs of law enforcement agencies and mutual consultations on matters relating to drug abuse control in the member States of the Economic Cooperation Organization;

2. Calls on the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to devote greater attention to the region of the

Economic Cooperation Organization, which is one of the areas most affected by the drug problem, and to assist the Organization and its member States in drawing up the necessary projects and programmes for that region;

3. Requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to draw up, in consultation with member States of the Economic Cooperation Organization, mutually beneficial memoranda of understanding on both a bilateral and a multilateral basis;

4. Also requests the Programme to promote both the implementation of the project already underway to strengthen law enforcement capabilities in the border areas in the region and its extension to other member States of the Economic Cooperation Organization.