Resolution 6 (XL)


The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Bearing in mind the administrative and financial functions entrusted to it by the General Assembly in its resolution 46/185 C, section XVI, paragraph 2, of 20 December 1991,

Having considered the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme containing the proposed revised budget for the biennium 1996-1997 and proposed outline for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the programme support cost, [1]

Having also considered the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme on the response to requests by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs contained in its resolution 15 (XXXVIII) and related matters, [2]


1. Commends the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme for the improvement in the budget presentation;

2. Approves for headquarters and field operations the revised budget estimates for the biennium 1996-1997, totalling 27,918,200 United States dollars, for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, as follows:

   United States dollars

   Headquarters

   Policy-making organs 81,600
   Executive direction and
   management 3,138,100
   Programme of work 7,662,400
   Programme support 3,269,500
   Field operations 13,766,600

3. Approves also for headquarters and field operations the revised budget estimates for the biennium 1996-1997, totalling 4,204,500 United States dollars, for the programme support cost, as follows:

   United States dollars

   Headquarters
Executive direction and management 195,800
Programme of work 1,838,000
Programme support 1,011,400
Field operations 1,159,300

4. Approves for the biennium 1996-1997 the establishment of one additional post in the Professional category and above assigned to headquarters under the budget for the programme support cost;

5. Takes note with approval of the revised budget estimates for project activities for the biennium 1996-1997, totalling 109,112,400 United States dollars, for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;

6. Takes note of the distribution of resources between objects of expenditure and between regions and sectors as proposed in the revised budget for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the programme support cost;

7. Also takes note of the proposed outline for the biennium 1998-1999, totalling 162,298,000 United States dollars, for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the programme support cost;

8. Considers that the proposed outline provides a basis for the submission of the proposed initial budget for the biennium 1998-1999 by the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;

9. Approves the recommendations made by the Executive Director on the programme support arrangement and budget methodology in paragraphs 63 and 64 of his report on the response to requests by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs contained in its resolution 15(XXXVIII) and related matters, it being understood that the recommendations set out in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed revised budget for the biennium 1996-1997 and the proposed outline for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the programme support cost should be taken into account;

10. Approves the charge of 5 per cent as the provisional rate for nationally executed projects, taking into account the information provided in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and requests the Executive Director to study and recommend an appropriate rate for the programme support cost of nationally executed projects;

11. Requests the Executive Director of the Programme to present the initial budget for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, reflecting the new programme support arrangement and budget methodology, and following, as appropriate, the harmonized model applied by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Population Fund;

12. Takes note with appreciation of the proposal by the Executive Director of the Programme to move from a project to an integrated programming approach, and requests further information about the implications of such a proposal;

13. Supports the revised draft financial rules of the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme submitted by the Executive Director, it being understood that the recommendations set out in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions should be taken into account;

14. Requests the Executive Director of the Programme to elaborate the implications of the new integrated programming approach for budget presentation in the context of the proposed initial budget for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;

15. Requests the Executive Director of the Programme to implement the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on project posts at headquarters in the context of the proposed initial budget for the biennium 1998-1999 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, taking into account the experience of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Population Fund, and ensuring that advisory services provided to Member States will continue to be carried out;
16. Welcomes the new fund-raising initiatives launched by the Executive Director during the biennium 1996-1997 with initially encouraging results, expresses its appreciation to those States which have already responded positively, and urges other States to give an early response;

17. Reaffirms that it is desirable that the Programme should receive an adequate amount of funding in the form of general-purpose contributions.


