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CND Res.43/2. Follow-up to the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction*

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling that in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session, devoted to countering the world drug problem together, [11](#) Member States recognized the importance of demand reduction as an indispensable pillar in countering the world drug problem, and committed themselves to the following: introducing into their national programmes and strategies the provisions set out in the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction; [12](#) establishing the year 2003 as a target date for having in place new or enhanced demand reduction strategies and programmes, in close collaboration with public health, social welfare and law enforcement authorities; and achieving significant and measurable results in the field of demand reduction by the year 2008,

Also recalling that in the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction, [13](#) all Member States were urged to implement the Action Plan in their national, regional and international actions, and to strengthen their national efforts to control the abuse of illicit drugs among their population, particularly among children and youth,

Reaffirming the importance of basing the development of demand reduction programmes on a regular assessment of the nature and magnitude of drug use and abuse and drug-related problems in the population, using similar definitions, indicators and procedures, as detailed in the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction,

Underlining that demand reduction strategies should also build on knowledge acquired from research, as well as on lessons derived from past programmes, known as best strategies,

Recognizing the role of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme in developing action-oriented strategies to assist Member States in the implementation of the Declaration,

Recognizing the tasks entrusted to the Programme under the Action Plan with respect to the provision of advice and technical assistance for the establishment of national systems for monitoring the drug abuse problem and for the development of demand reduction strategies and programmes in close collaboration with public health, education, social welfare and law enforcement authorities,

Further recognizing that the Action Plan entrusts the Programme with the identification and dissemination of best strategies for drug abuse prevention, treatment and rehabilitation,

Welcoming the efforts already made and the activities initiated by the Programme to support the implementation of the Declaration and the Action Plan,

Recognizing that the Programme needs sufficient resources to carry out the new mandates resulting from the Action Plan, in particular with regard to the identification and sharing of best practice, taking into account national policies and the cultural conditions of countries,

1. *Requests* the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to provide guidance and assistance, to those requesting it, for the development of demand reduction strategies and programmes

in line with the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction; [12](#)

2. *Also requests* the Programme to facilitate the sharing of information on best practices in a number of areas;

3. *Calls upon* the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, when preparing the regular budget proposals for the biennium 2002-2003, to allocate, while keeping the balance between supply and demand reduction programmes, adequate resources to allow it to fulfil its role in the implementation of the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction; [13](#)

4. *Calls upon* all Member States to commit themselves to the implementation of the Action Plan, notably by providing appropriate voluntary contributions to the Programme.

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**/* For the discussion, see chap. III, para. 69.

[11/](#) Resolution S-20/2, annex.

[12/](#) Resolution S-20/3, annex.

[13/](#) Resolution 54/132, annex.
