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The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Reiterating that action against the world drug problem is a common and shared responsibility requiring an integrated and balanced approach, Reaffirming the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session, devoted to countering the world drug problem together, ¹⁶

Recalling its decision to submit a report to the General Assembly in the years 2003 and 2008 on the progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration,

Bearing in mind the follow-up mechanism, adopted by its resolution 42/11, for examining and sustaining progress by Member States in meeting the objectives for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration,

Also bearing in mind its decision to assess the reporting guidelines and questionnaires at regular intervals in order to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of Member States,

Recalling its request to the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in its resolution 42/11, to prepare a single biennial report to be examined by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its regular session in 2001,

1. Takes note of the first biennial report of the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme on the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly, devoted to countering the world drug problem together; ¹⁷
2. Welcomes the efforts of Governments to meet the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session; ¹⁶
3. Urges Member States to continue making every effort to meet the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration;
4. Decides to use the information contained in the first biennial report relating to the action plans and measures adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session as a basis for examining the implementation of the measures contained in the Political Declaration;
5. Requests the Executive Director, in subsequent biennial reports, to:
 - (a) Provide a balanced and integrated approach to the world drug problem in each section of the report;
 - (b) Refer to the difficulties encountered and deficiencies perceived by Governments in their efforts to meet the goals and targets agreed upon at the twentieth special session,

proposing to the Commission the necessary adjustments to the biennial questionnaire in accordance with the terms of paragraph 7 of the present resolution;

(c) Give greater guidance based on the successful experiences reported by Governments in the biennial questionnaires;

(d) Arrange the information in an instructive fashion, for example, by presenting charts or tables giving a percentage breakdown of the replies to the biennial questionnaire in order to illustrate the results achieved in meeting each of the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration;

(e) Identify specific forms of cooperation as a guide to Member States in their national efforts to meet the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration;

(f) Include in the section relating to the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction ¹⁸ and the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction ¹⁹ a section dealing with initiatives for international cooperation to prevent drug abuse among children;

(g) Include information concerning initiatives by regional and subregional mechanisms involved in fighting the world drug problem;

6. Calls upon the Executive Director to pay particular attention, in the biennial report to be submitted to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its regular session in 2003, to the progress achieved and setbacks encountered in meeting the targets for that year set out in the Political Declaration, without prejudice to continued examination of the implementation of the entire set of measures adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session;

7. Requests the Executive Director to identify elements of the biennial questionnaire that may need adjustment, taking into account the difficulties encountered and deficiencies perceived in completing the first biennial questionnaire, and to submit proposals for amendments to the Commission for adoption at its reconvened forty-fourth session, including an improved layout and supporting notes for guidance;

8. Also requests the Executive Director to ensure that, where appropriate and possible, Member States are provided with support and guidance, within the budgetary framework of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in accurately completing and submitting the biennial questionnaire;

9. Further requests the Executive Director to prepare an addendum to the first biennial report, updating section V thereof with the replies to the biennial questionnaire submitted after 8 November 2000, and providing the information to the Commission at its reconvened forty-fourth session;

10. Urges Member States to transmit to the Executive Director of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, by 30 June 2002, their replies to the second biennial questionnaire.

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

¹⁶ Resolution S-20/2, annex.

¹⁷ E/CN.7/2001/2.

¹⁸ Resolution S-20/3, annex.

¹⁹ Resolution 54/132, annex.
