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CND Res.46/6. Provisions regarding travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling its resolution 43/11, in which it invited the International Narcotics Control Board, with the participation of Member States, to examine provisions that might facilitate and enhance security in cases involving travellers who carried medical preparations containing narcotic drugs and who maintained the continuity of their treatment in their host countries,

Recalling also its resolution 44/15, in which it invited the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in cooperation with the International Narcotics Control Board and the World Health Organization, to convene a meeting of experts to develop guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs,

Noting that a meeting of experts was convened, pursuant to its resolution 44/15, by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, the International Narcotics Control Board and the World Health Organization in Vienna from 12 to 14 February 2002 to develop guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs,

Taking note of the publication by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme of the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs, prepared pursuant to Commission resolution 44/15,

Recalling its resolution 45/5, in which it encouraged States to implement the recommendations contained in the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs,

Mindful of the need for travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control to be kept informed of different national requirements and limitations concerning such drugs,

Acknowledging the importance of making secure the transport of drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control by travellers under medical treatment with such drugs,

1. *Reaffirms its satisfaction* that international bodies and States parties to the international drug control treaties have taken into account the problems involved in continuing the medical treatment of travelling patients with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control while ensuring security conditions that limit the risk of diverted use of such drugs;
2. *Again welcomes* the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs prepared by the group of experts convened pursuant to Commission resolution 44/15, which include recommendations on national regulations concerning the transport by patients, for personal use, of medical preparations containing narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances;
3. *Urges* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to communicate the guidelines to States parties to

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]

4. *Strongly encourages* States parties to the 1961 Convention, that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol and the 1971 Convention to notify the International Narcotics Control Board of restrictions currently applicable to travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control;

5. *Requests* the International Narcotics Control Board to publish the above-mentioned information in a unified form, in particular in its list of narcotic drugs under international control (the "Yellow List") or in its list of psychotropic substances under international control (the "Green List") and electronically, on the web site of the Board, in order to ensure its wide dissemination and facilitate the task of government agencies;

6. *Urges* States to consider implementing the recommendations on national regulations concerning travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control, taking into account national legal requirements and practical considerations;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to report to it at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.

[1] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 520, No. 7515.

[2] *Ibid.*, vol. 976, No. 14152.

[3] *Ibid.*, vol. 1019, No. 14956.