**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED BY THE FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE SUBCOMMISSION ON ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC AND RELATED MATTERS IN THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST HELD IN VIENNA, 25 TO 28 NOVEMBER 2013**

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**Guidance Note for completing the questionnaire on**

**implementation of recommendations**

The Secretariat kindly invites Governments to consider the following points when replying to the questionnaire:

* **Summarize** **action taken** on the implementation of each recommendation in no more than 200 words;
* Provide **complete references** to legislation or to any other document if they are relevant for the implementation of each recommendation;
* Where it is possible and applicable, please provide **quantified data** in addition to description of action taken;
* If it is applicable, provide information on the **main obstacles to the implementation** of a recommendation.

**Issue I**

**Opiate flows from Afghanistan and regional countermeasures**

**Recommendation (a)**

States are encouraged to support cross-border and interregional cooperation along heroin trafficking routes through regular communication between their competent authorities and the convening of regular meetings between counterparts so as to strengthen operational responses to combat illicit trafficking.

Any action taken?

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**Recommendation (b)**

States are encouraged to support regional coordination centres such as the Central Asian Regional Information and Coordination Centre for Combating the Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances and Their Precursors (CARICC), the Southeast European Law Enforcement Center (SELEC), the Gulf Criminal Intelligence Centre to Combat Drugs, the Joint Planning Cell (JPC) and the Triangular Initiative, which have been established to facilitate operational cooperation to combat organized crime and illicit drug trafficking.

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**Recommendation (c)**

States are encouraged to consider, if they have not already done so, posting liaison officers in other Member States and regional coordination centres to enhance communication and speed up the exchange of operational information. Such liaison officers can act as focal points for the exchange of information.

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**Recommendation (d)**

States are encouraged to consider taking steps to accurately assess the domestic demand for illicit opiates through undertaking research, conducting surveys and commissioning studies in order to better understand the demand dynamic and so contribute to the development and implementation of effective supply reduction and demand reduction strategies.

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**Issue II**

**Maintaining control over precursor chemicals, pharmaceutical products and the challenge of new psychoactive substances**

**Recommendation (a)**

States are encouraged, upon request, to be proactive in contributing information to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Early Warning Advisory on New Psychoactive Substances (www.unodc.org/nps) so as to benefit from timely warning of new and emerging psychoactive substances, analysis of developing trends in trafficking, current modi operandi and legislation developed to curb the abuse of such substances.

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**Recommendation (b)**

It is recommended that States implement information and education campaigns among the general public to alert them to the dangers of the use of new psychoactive substances and so reduce demand for their availability.

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**Recommendation (c)**

In working to apply effective controls, States are encouraged to consider, as appropriate, introducing legislation that provides for the regulation of generic groups of substances that lend themselves to the manufacture of new psychoactive substances.

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**Recommendation (d)**

States are encouraged to adopt, as appropriate, measures aimed at preventing and reducing the non-medical use and abuse and illicit supply of tramadol, in accordance with their legislation.

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**Issue III**

**Meeting the challenges of technology and tactics used by traffickers**

**Recommendation (a)**

States of the region are encouraged to consider reviewing, as appropriate, their existing substantive and procedural criminal legislation to ensure that it supports the investigation of, evidence gathering concerning and the prosecution of cases of drug trafficking and related offences that involve an element of modern information and communication technology.

Any action taken?

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**Recommendation (b)**

Where they have not already done so, States are encouraged to take steps to ensure that their law enforcement agencies, prosecution services and judiciary are aware of and adequately trained in handling electronic evidence, and are supported and funded to undertake all necessary measures with regard to the prevention, investigation and prosecution of technology-facilitated illicit drug trafficking and money-laundering.

Any action taken?

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**Recommendation (c)**

To meet the challenges of Internet-based transactions on websites that promote and offer illicit or controlled drugs and pharmaceutical preparations, and to identify those involved in placing the orders, States are encouraged to take steps to ensure that there is close cooperation and coordination between national drug law enforcement agencies and all other actors concerned, such as regulatory authorities, customs, courier and postal services, and Internet service providers.

 Any action taken?

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