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### Commission on Narcotic Drugs

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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

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  - (b) Strengthening systems for the control of precursor chemicals and to prevent diversion of and trafficking in such chemicals.
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  - (b) Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction;
  - (c) World situation with regard to drug abuse.



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  - (a) World situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by the subsidiary bodies of the Commission;
  - (b) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly:
    - (i) Measures to promote judicial cooperation (extradition, mutual legal assistance, controlled delivery, trafficking by sea and law enforcement cooperation, including training);
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7. Implementation of the international drug control treaties:
  - (a) Changes in the scope of control of substances;
  - (b) International Narcotics Control Board;
  - (c) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly:
    - (i) Measures to prevent the illicit manufacture, import, export, trafficking, distribution and diversion of precursors used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
    - (ii) Action Plan against Illicit Manufacture, Trafficking and Abuse of Amphetamine-type Stimulants and Their Precursors;
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8. Policy directives to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.
9. Strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as its governing body.
10. Administrative and budgetary questions.  

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11. Provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session of the Commission.
12. Other business.
13. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-seventh session.

## Annotations

### 1. Election of officers

In section I of its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council decided that, with effect from the year 2000, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs should, at the end of its session, elect its bureau for the subsequent session and encourage it to play an active role in the preparations of the regular as well as the intersessional meetings of the Commission, so as to enable the Commission to provide continuous and effective policy guidance to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

In accordance with section I of Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/30 and rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions, the Commission, at the end of its reconvened forty-sixth session, on 28 November 2003, held the first meeting of its forty-seventh session and elected a Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur for its forty-seventh session. In view of the rotation of offices based on regional distribution, the officers elected by the Commission for its forty-seventh session were from the following regional groups:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Regional group</i>	<i>Elected officer</i>
Chairman	Group of African States	Alfred T. Moleah (South Africa)
First Vice-Chairman	Group of Asian States	T. P. Sreenivasan (India)
Second Vice-Chairman	Group of Eastern European States	István Horváth (Hungary)
Third Vice-Chairman	Group of Western European and Other States	Aydin Sahinbas (Turkey)
Rapporteur	Group of Latin American and Caribbean States	Silvia Wohlers de Meie (Guatemala)

A group composed of the five chairmen of the regional groups will be established to assist the Chairman in dealing with organizational matters. That group, together with the elected officers, will constitute the extended bureau foreseen in Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39.

### 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

In section I of its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council decided that the normative functions of the Commission should be made distinct from its role as the governing body of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and that, to that end, the agenda of the Commission should be structured in two distinct segments as follows:

(a) A normative segment, during which the Commission would discharge its treaty-based and normative functions, including mandates received from the General Assembly and the Council, and deal with emerging drug control issues;

(b) An operational segment, during which the Commission would exercise its role as the governing body of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and consider issues related to the provision of policy guidance to the Programme.

The provisional agenda has been structured to comply with Council resolution 1999/30.

Rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council provides that the Commission shall, at the beginning of each session, adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda.

In its decision 2003/235, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session and approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-seventh session of the Commission, on the understanding that intersessional meetings would be held at Vienna, at no additional cost, to finalize the items to be included in the provisional agenda and the documentation requirements for the forty-seventh session. The present document contains the provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the forty-seventh session, as finalized during intersessional meetings and the reconvened forty-sixth session of the Commission.

#### **Documentation**

Provisional agenda, annotations and proposed organization of work (E/CN.7/2004/1)

#### **Normative segment**

### **3. Thematic debate: synthetic drugs and control of precursors:**

- (a) Production of trafficking in and abuse of synthetic drugs, including methaqualone (Mandrax)**
- (b) Strengthening systems for the control of precursor chemicals and to prevent diversion of and trafficking in such chemicals**

The Commission at its forty-sixth session decided to hold a thematic debate at its forty-seventh session and agreed that the themes and subthemes of thematic debate would be identified at the intersessional meetings of the Commission.

Following consultations held during intersessional meetings, the Commission, at its reconvened forty-sixth session, held from 26 to 28 November 2003, decided on the following theme and subthemes for the thematic debate:

Synthetic drugs and control of precursors:

- (a) Production of, trafficking in and abuse of synthetic drugs, including methaqualone (Mandrax);
- (b) Strengthening systems for the control of precursor chemicals and to prevent diversion of and trafficking in such chemicals.

**4. Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly: general overview and progress achieved by Governments in meeting the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the Assembly at its twentieth special session**

In paragraph 20 of the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session (Assembly resolution S-20/2, annex), the Assembly requested all States to report biennially to the Commission on their efforts to meet the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 agreed upon by the Assembly at its twentieth special session. The Assembly also requested the Commission to analyse those reports in order to enhance the cooperative effort to combat the world drug problem.

Pursuant to Commission resolution 45/7, the ministerial segment of the forty-sixth session of the Commission considered the second biennial report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly (E/CN.7/2003/2 and Add.1-6). The report, which had been prepared on the basis of 117 replies to a questionnaire that States had submitted to the Secretariat, provided the most recent information on national efforts to implement the outcome of the twentieth special session of the Assembly.

Ministers and other government representatives participating at the ministerial segment of the forty-sixth session of the Commission adopted the Joint Ministerial Statement and further measures to implement the action plans emanating from the twentieth special session of the General Assembly. Pursuant to Commission resolutions 42/11 and 45/7 and Assembly resolutions 55/65 and 56/124, the Commission transmitted the Joint Ministerial Statement to the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session in the document entitled "Progress achieved in meeting the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session" (A/58/124).

In addition, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/174, the Secretary-General submitted to the Assembly at its fifty-eighth session a report on the quinquennial evaluation of the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the Assembly (A/58/253).

In its resolution 42/11, the Commission requested the Executive Director to prepare, on the basis of questionnaires provided by Member States, a biennial report, to be submitted to it in 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2008, on the implementation of the objectives and targets agreed upon at the twentieth special session. Pursuant to that request, the Secretariat forwarded to Member States the biennial report questionnaire for the preparation of the third biennial report of the Executive Director. The third biennial report will be considered by the Commission at its forty-eighth session, in 2005.

In section II of its resolution 58/141, the General Assembly reaffirmed the Joint Ministerial Statement and further measures to implement the action plans emanating from the twentieth special session of the Assembly, adopted during the ministerial segment of the forty-sixth session of the Commission; and called upon all relevant actors to continue their close cooperation with Governments in promoting and implementing the outcome of the twentieth special session and of the ministerial segment of the forty-sixth session of the Commission.

Under item 4 of the provisional agenda, Member States are invited to inform the Commission of action taken to implement the outcome and goals of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly.

**5. Drug demand reduction**

- (a) HIV/AIDS and other blood-borne diseases in the context of drug abuse prevention**
- (b) Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction**
- (c) World situation with regard to drug abuse**

At its reconvened forty-sixth session, the Commission decided to include a special item on its agenda to reflect the urgency of dealing with HIV/AIDS.

In its resolution 46/2, entitled “Strengthening strategies regarding the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in the context of drug abuse”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to submit to it, at its forty-seventh session, a report on the progress made in the implementation of that resolution. The report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/3.

At the forty-sixth session, the Executive Director, in his consolidated second biennial report on the follow-up on the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly (E/CN.7/2003/2 and Add.1), reported on the follow-up to the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction. In section II of its resolution 58/141, the Assembly urged all Member States to implement the Action Plan and to strengthen their national efforts to counter the abuse of illicit drugs among their populations.

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug abuse (E/CN.7/2004/2)

Report of the Executive Director on strengthening strategies regarding the prevention of HIV/AIDS in the context of drug abuse (E/CN.7/2004/3)

**6. Illicit drug traffic and supply**

- (a) World situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by the subsidiary bodies of the Commission**
- (b) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly**
  - (i) Measures to promote judicial cooperation (extradition, mutual legal assistance, controlled delivery, trafficking by sea and law enforcement cooperation, including training)**
  - (ii) Countering money-laundering**

**(iii) Action Plan on International Cooperation on the Eradication of Illicit Drug Crops and on Alternative Development**

In section III of its resolution 58/141, the General Assembly requested the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to continue to take into account the outcome of the twentieth special session of the Assembly, to include in its report on the illicit traffic in drugs an updated, objective and comprehensive assessment of worldwide trends in illicit traffic and transit in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including methods and routes used, and to recommend ways and means of improving the capacity of States along those routes to address all aspects of the drug problem. The report of the Secretariat on trends in illicit drug trafficking worldwide, including methods and routes used by drug traffickers, is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/4.

In addition, in section III of its resolution 58/141, the General Assembly encouraged the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies and the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East of the Commission to continue to contribute to the strengthening of regional and international cooperation, taking into account the outcome of the twentieth special session of the Assembly.

Under item 6, the Commission will be informed of recent trends in illicit drug trafficking worldwide, including methods and routes used, and of the results of the meetings of its subsidiary bodies (the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies and the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East) that have been held since its forty-sixth session. The Commission is invited to consider the recommendations of the thirty-eighth session of the Subcommission; the Thirteenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Africa; the Thirteenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and the Caribbean; and the Twenty-seventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and the Pacific. The report of the Secretariat on the results of the meetings of those subsidiary bodies of the Commission is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/5.

In its resolution 45/9, entitled “Connections between organized criminal groups trafficking in drugs and those involved in other types of illicit trafficking: special investigative techniques to counteract such criminality”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to submit to it at its forty-seventh session a report on the progress made in the implementation of that resolution. The report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/6.

In its resolution 2003/34, entitled “International assistance to the States affected by the transit of illicit drugs”, the Economic and Social Council requested the Executive Director to report to the Commission at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of that resolution. The report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/7.

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug trafficking (E/CN.7/2004/4)

Report of the Secretariat on action taken by subsidiary bodies of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (E/CN.7/2004/5)

Report of the Executive Director on connections between organized criminal groups trafficking in drugs and those involved in other types of illicit trafficking: special investigative techniques to counteract such criminality (E/CN.7/2004/6)

Report of the Executive Director on international assistance to the States affected by the transit of illicit drugs (E/CN.7/2004/7)

## **7. Implementation of the international drug control treaties**

Under item 7 of its provisional agenda, the Commission is called upon to carry out its treaty functions under the provisions of various articles of the international drug control treaties.

### **(a) Changes in the scope of control of substances**

No recommendation has been received pursuant to article 12, paragraph 2, of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988; pursuant to article 12, paragraph 13, of the 1988 Convention, the Commission should review periodically the adequacy and propriety of Table I and Table II of that convention.

Moreover, the World Health Organization has not submitted any notification concerning recommendations to place narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances under international control pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 or the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971.

### **(b) International Narcotics Control Board**

The annual report of the International Narcotics Control Board is submitted to the Economic and Social Council through the Commission, in accordance with the provisions of the international drug control treaties. The Commission may make such comments on the report as it sees fit. In addition, article 8 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, article 8 of that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol, article 17 of the 1971 Convention and article 21 of the 1988 Convention authorize the Commission to call the attention of the Board to any matters that may be relevant to the functions of the Board. The report of the Board for 2003 (E/INCB/2003/1) will be before the Commission.

Article 12, paragraph 13, of the 1988 Convention requires the Board to report annually to the Commission on the implementation of that article. It is suggested that the 2003 report of the Board on the implementation of article 12 of the 1988 Convention (E/INCB/2003/4) should be considered at the same time as the report of the Board for 2003 (E/INCB/2003/1), in line with the recent practice of the Commission.



## Documentation

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2003 (E/INCB/2003/1)

Precursors and Chemicals Frequently Used in the Illicit Manufacture of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances: Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2003 on the Implementation of Article 12 of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988 (E/INCB/2003/4)

### (c) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly

#### (i) Measures to prevent the illicit manufacture, import, export, trafficking, distribution and diversion of precursors used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

#### (ii) Action Plan against Illicit Manufacture, Trafficking and Abuse of Amphetamine-type Stimulants and Their Precursors

Two interrelated issues—synthetic drugs and the control of precursors—will also be considered during the consideration of item 3 (thematic debate). The issue of precursors is the focus of the 2003 report of the Board on the implementation of article 12 of the 1988 Convention (E/INCB/2003/4).

Governments are invited to inform the Commission of action taken at the national level to put into effect the measures with regard to control of precursors recommended by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session (Assembly resolution S-20/4 B), as well as international initiatives taken with regard to the Action Plan against Illicit Manufacture, Trafficking and Abuse of Amphetamine-type Stimulants and Their Precursors (Assembly resolution S-20/4 A), such as Project Prism.

### (d) Other matters arising from the international drug control treaties

In its resolution 45/8, entitled “Control of cannabis in Africa”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to submit to it at its forty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the resolution. The report is reflected in document E/CN.7/2004/2.

In its resolution 2003/40, entitled “Demand for and supply of opiates for medical and scientific purposes”, the Economic and Social Council requested the Secretary-General to report to the Commission at its forty-seventh session on progress made in the implementation of that resolution. The report is reflected in document E/INCB/2003/1.

In its resolution 2003/41, entitled “Efforts to counter trends towards the legalization of drugs for non-medical use”, the Economic and Social Council requested the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in collaboration with the World Health Organization, to report on new trends with regard to cannabis. The report is reflected in document E/CN.7/2004/2.

In its resolution 46/6, entitled “Provisions regarding travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to report to

it at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of that resolution. The report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/8.

In its resolution 46/7, entitled “Measures to promote the exchange of information on new patterns of drug use and on psychoactive substances consumed”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to report to it at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of that resolution. The report is reflected in document E/CN.7/2004/2.

The Commission will have before it, for its information, the latest issue of the publication entitled *Competent National Authorities under the International Drug Control Treaties* (ST/NAR.3/2003/1).

The Commission will also have before it, for its information, the index for 2003 of national laws and regulations promulgated by States parties to give effect to the provisions of the international drug control treaties.

#### **Documentation**

Report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug abuse (E/CN.7/2004/2)

Report of the Executive Director on provisions regarding travellers under medical treatment with drugs containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances under international control (E/CN.7/2004/8)

#### **Operational segment**

### **8. Policy directives to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme**

In section I of its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council decided that the agenda of the Commission should be structured in two distinct segments, including an operational segment during which the Commission would exercise its role as the governing body of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and consider issues related to the provision of policy guidance to the Programme.

For its consideration of item 8, the Commission will have before it the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime for 2003 (E/CN.7/2004/9).

#### **Documentation**

Report of the Executive Director on development, security and justice for all (E/CN.7/2004/9)

### **9. Strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as its governing body**

In its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council called for strengthening the United Nations machinery for international drug control in five main areas: (a) enhancing the functioning of the Commission; (b) enhancing the functioning of the International Narcotics Control Board; (c) strengthening the financing of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme; (d) framework for

inter-agency cooperation and coordination; and (e) operations of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

In its resolution 46/8, entitled “Strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as its governing body”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to report to it at its forty-seventh session on progress made in the implementation of that resolution. That report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/10.

In its resolution 46/9, entitled “Securing assured and predictable funding for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme”, the Commission requested the Executive Director to report to it at its forty-seventh session on progress made in the implementation of the resolution. That report is contained in document E/CN.7/2004/11.

### **Documentation**

Report of the Executive Director on strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as its governing body (E/CN.7/2004/10)

Report of the Executive Director on securing assured and predictable funding for the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (E/CN.7/2004/11)

## **10. Administrative and budgetary questions**

In its resolution 13 (XXXVI), the Commission established a budget cycle for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and a methodology that it would follow in its consideration of budgetary matters. That methodology was revised by the Commission in its resolutions 7 (XL) and 8 (XL), in which it adopted budget proposals in line with the harmonized budget model followed also by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children’s Fund and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (now called the United Nations Population Fund). According to the budget cycle and revised methodology, the Commission approves the final budget for the current biennium and the initial budget for the next biennium for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme at its reconvened session, held in December of odd-numbered years. At its session held in the first half of odd-numbered years, the Commission reviews and approves the revised biennial programme and support budget for the current biennium and the proposed outline for the budget of the Fund for the next biennium.

At its reconvened forty-sixth session, the Commission, in its resolution 46/11, reviewed and approved the final budget for the biennium 2002-2003 and the initial budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme. The resolution was adopted on the understanding that the Commission would continuously assess its implementation and the budget of the Fund would be reviewed at each meeting of the Commission, with periodic reporting at intersessional meetings of the Commission.

For its consideration of item 10, the Commission will have before it a note by the Secretariat on administrative and budgetary questions (E/CN.7/2004/12).

## **Documentation**

Note by the Secretariat on administrative and budgetary questions (E/CN.7/2004/12)

### **11. Provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session of the Commission**

In its decision 2001/243, the Economic and Social Council decided that the Commission should meet for a period not exceeding five working days at its forty-fifth session with a view to reviewing the duration of subsequent sessions. The forty-fifth session was held for a duration of five days. In its resolution 45/7, the Commission decided that the ministerial segment of its forty-sixth session should be held for a period of two days, which, as an exception, should be added to the six days scheduled for its regular session. The Commission is invited to consider the duration of its subsequent sessions, taking into consideration its experiences in organizing sessions of five days' duration (its forty-fifth session), six days' duration (its forty-sixth session) and eight days' duration (sessions held prior to its forty-fifth session).

### **12. Other business**

No issues that need to be raised under item 12 have come to the attention of the Secretariat and no documentation on the item is currently foreseen.

### **13. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-seventh session**

It is expected that the Commission will adopt the report on its forty-seventh session as of the afternoon of Friday, 19 March, the last day of the session.

In accordance with rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, officers of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs will hold office until their successors are elected and will be eligible for re-election.

As regards the arrangements for the election of the bureau of the Commission, in section I of its resolution 1999/30, the Economic and Social Council decided that, with effect from the year 2000, the Commission should, at the end of its session, elect its bureau for the subsequent session and encourage it to play an active role in the preparations of the regular as well as the intersessional meetings of the Commission, so as to enable the Commission to provide continuous and effective policy guidance to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

In accordance with section I of Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/30 and rule 16 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions, the Commission, at the end of its forty-seventh session, is invited to hold the first meeting of its forty-eighth session to elect a Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur for its forty-eighth session. In view of the rotation of offices based on regional distribution, the officers to be elected by the Commission will be from the following regional groups:

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<i>Office</i>	<i>Regional group</i>
Chairman	Group of Asian States
First Vice-Chairman	Group of Eastern European States
Second Vice-Chairman	Group of Western European and Other States
Third Vice-Chairman	Group of Latin American and Caribbean States
Rapporteur	Group of African States

A group composed of the five chairmen of the regional groups will be established to assist the Chairman in dealing with organizational matters. That group, together with the elected officers, will constitute the extended bureau foreseen in Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/39.

## **Annex**

### **Proposed organization of work**

1. In its resolution 1991/39, the Economic and Social Council decided, inter alia, that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs should establish a committee, the membership of which should be open to all States members of the Commission, to perform such functions as requested by the Commission in order to assist it in dealing with its agenda and to facilitate its work.
2. The Committee of the Whole is invited to consider items 5 and 6 prior to their consideration in the plenary. In particular, it will consider: under item 5, entitled “Drug demand reduction”, the report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug abuse (E/CN.7/2004/2); and under item 6, entitled “Illicit drug traffic and supply”, the report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug trafficking (E/CN.7/2004/4) and the report of the Secretariat on action taken by subsidiary bodies of the Commission (E/CN.7/2004/5).
3. In accordance with established practice, the Commission will first consider draft resolutions in the Committee of the Whole before they are brought to the plenary.
4. The Committee of the Whole is scheduled to meet from Monday, 15 March, to Thursday, 18 March 2004, to consider the items referred to in paragraph 2 above and to review draft resolutions.
5. The proposed organization of work is subject to approval by the Commission. As soon as discussion on an item or sub-item has been finished, the following one will be taken up, time permitting. Suggested meeting times are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

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<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Plenary</i>	<i>Committee of the Whole</i>
<b>Monday, 15 March</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<p>Opening</p> <p><i>Item 2.</i> Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters</p> <p><i>Item 7 (b).</i> Implementation of the international drug control treaties: International Narcotics Control Board</p>	<p><i>Item 3.</i> Thematic debate: synthetic drugs and control of precursors: production of, trafficking in and abuse of synthetic drugs, including methaqualone (Mandrax); strengthening systems for the control of precursor chemicals and to prevent diversion of and trafficking in such chemicals (organizational matters only)</p> <p><i>Item 5.</i> Drug demand reduction: HIV/AIDS and other blood-borne diseases in the context of drug abuse prevention; Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction; world situation with regard to drug abuse (and related draft resolutions)</p>
3-6 p.m.	<p><i>Item 7 (c).</i> Implementation of the international drug control treaties: follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly</p> <p><i>Item 7 (d).</i> Implementation of the international drug control treaties: other matters arising from the international drug control treaties</p> <p><i>Item 4.</i> Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly: general overview and progress achieved by Governments in meeting the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the Assembly at its twentieth special session</p>	<p><i>Item 5.</i> Drug demand reduction (<i>continued</i>)</p> <p><i>Item 6.</i> Illicit drug traffic and supply: world situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by subsidiary bodies of the Commission; follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly (and related draft resolutions)</p> <p><i>Item 8.</i> Policy directives to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme</p> <p><i>Item 9.</i> Strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission as its governing body</p> <p><i>Item 10.</i> Administrative and budgetary questions</p>

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Plenary</i>	<i>Committee of the Whole</i>
<b>Tuesday, 16 March</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<i>Item 3 (a).</i> Thematic debate: synthetic drugs and control of precursors: production of, trafficking in and abuse of synthetic drugs, including methaqualone (Mandrax)	Consideration of draft resolutions
3-6 p.m.	<i>Item 3 (b).</i> Thematic debate: synthetic drugs and control of precursors: strengthening systems for the control of precursor chemicals and to prevent diversion of and trafficking in those chemicals	Consideration of draft resolutions
<b>Wednesday, 17 March</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<i>Item 5.</i> Drug demand reduction: HIV/AIDS and other blood-borne diseases in the context of drug abuse prevention; Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction; world situation with regard to drug abuse	Consideration of draft resolutions
3-6 p.m.	<i>Item 6.</i> Illicit drug traffic and supply: world situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by subsidiary bodies of the Commission; follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly	Consideration of draft resolutions
<b>Thursday, 18 March</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<i>Item 8.</i> Policy directives to the United Nations International Drug Control Programme	Consideration of draft resolutions
3-6 p.m.	<i>Item 8.</i> Policy directives ( <i>continued</i> )  <i>Item 9.</i> Strengthening the United Nations International Drug Control Programme and the role of the Commission as its governing body  <i>Item 10.</i> Administrative and budgetary questions	Consideration of draft resolutions



<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Plenary</i>	<i>Committee of the Whole</i>
<b>Friday, 19 March</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<i>Item 10.</i> Administrative and budgetary questions (concluded)	
	<i>Item 11.</i> Provisional agenda for the forty-eighth session of the Commission	
	<i>Item 12.</i> Other business	
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