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**Tenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug  
Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe**  
Vienna, 2-5 July 2013

**Provisional agenda and annotations**

**I. Provisional agenda**

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3. Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation.
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5. Follow-up to the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem.
6. Consideration of topics by working groups:
  - (a) Demand reduction and related measures;
  - (b) Responding to changing trends in drug use, including new psychoactive substances;
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7. Organization of the Eleventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe.
8. Other business.
9. Adoption of the report of the Tenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe.

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\* English, French, Russian and Spanish are the working languages of the subsidiary body.



## **II. Annotations**

### **1. Election of officers**

Elections are held in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council. Past practice has been for the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Europe, to elect a Chair, two Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur.

### **2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**

The draft provisional agenda for the Tenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, was approved at the Ninth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, held in Vienna from 28 June to 1 July 2011.

Following the adoption of the agenda, the Tenth Meeting may wish to establish a timetable and agree on its organization of work. A proposed organization of work for the consideration of the Meeting is contained in the annex to the present document.

#### **Documentation**

Provisional agenda and annotations (UNODC/HONEURO/10/1)

### **3. Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation**

Participants are invited to inform the Tenth Meeting of their States' efforts with respect to regional and subregional cooperation in areas such as joint investigations, law enforcement training and the sharing of information and experiences in drug trafficking countermeasures.

Participants are requested to inform the Tenth Meeting of any practical problems impeding subregional cooperation and to suggest measures to overcome them.

At its thirty-eighth session, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs recommended that general statements concerning national trends and statistics should not be read out but should be circulated in written form. Participants are invited to submit to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, prior to the holding of the Tenth Meeting, a two-page country report informing the meeting about trends in drug trafficking, focusing on the period following the holding of the Ninth Meeting. Only those country reports received by the date indicated in the invitation to the Tenth Meeting will be translated into the working languages of the Meeting.

A conference room paper prepared by the Secretariat on the current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation in South-Eastern and Eastern Europe (UNODC/HONEURO/10/CRP.1) will be made available to the Tenth Meeting.

#### **Documentation**

Report of the Secretariat on statistical analysis of drug trafficking trends in Europe and worldwide (UNODC/HONEURO/10/2)

#### **4. Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Ninth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe**

Participants are invited to inform the Tenth Meeting of action taken by their Governments to implement the recommendations adopted by the Ninth Meeting. The Tenth Meeting will have before it a note by the Secretariat based on replies received to a questionnaire concerning action taken by Governments.

##### **Documentation**

Note by the Secretariat on the review of implementation, by States of the region, of the recommendations adopted by the Ninth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe (UNODC/HONEURO/10/3)

#### **5. Follow-up to the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem**

In its resolution 64/182, the General Assembly, welcoming the outcome of the high-level segment of the fifty-second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, adopted the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem (A/64/92-E/2009/98, sect. II.A), as adopted at that high-level segment, and called upon States to take the measures necessary to fully implement the actions set out therein, with a view to attaining in a timely manner their goals and targets. In paragraph 40 of the Political Declaration, Member States decided that the Commission, at its fifty-seventh session, in 2014, should conduct a high-level review of the implementation by Member States of the Political Declaration and its Plan of Action, recommended that the Economic and Social Council devote a high-level segment to a theme related to the world drug problem and also recommended that the General Assembly hold a special session to address the world drug problem.

In its resolution 67/193, entitled “International cooperation against the world drug problem”, the General Assembly encouraged the meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies and of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to continue to contribute to the strengthening of regional and international cooperation. In that resolution, the Assembly also decided to convene, early in 2016, a special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem, following the high-level review of the progress made in the implementation by Member States of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, which would be conducted by the Commission at its fifty-seventh session, in March 2014, and decided that the special session of the General Assembly would review the progress made in the implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, including an assessment of the achievements and challenges in countering the world drug problem, within the framework of the three international drug control conventions and other relevant United Nations instruments.

In its resolution 56/10, entitled “Tools to improve data collection to monitor and evaluate the implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter

the World Drug Problem”, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs encouraged Member States to provide to the meetings of the subsidiary bodies more detailed information on progress made in the implementation by Member States of the Plan of Action, based on the annual report questionnaire; encouraged Member States, in consultation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, to devote the topic of at least one of the working groups at the meetings of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission to the follow-up to the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, on the basis of the reports submitted by States to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime; and requested the meetings of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission, on the basis of their deliberations, to submit regional recommendations aimed at positively moving forward in the implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action.

In its resolution 56/12, entitled “Preparations for the high-level review of the implementation by Member States of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem”, the Commission called upon the participants in the high-level review to take account of the work of the regional meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, in particular initiatives that could further cooperation with regard to drug law enforcement.

At the Tenth Meeting, participants will be invited to consider the challenges posed to the States of the region with regard to the implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, as well as the implications with regard to follow-up and the contribution that the meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Europe, could make to the Commission in that regard.

## **6. Consideration of topics by working groups**

Ad hoc working groups will be established for the purpose of reviewing issues of regional importance and facilitating informal discussions and frank exchanges of views on those issues. For each of the working group topics, the Meeting is expected to submit regional recommendations aimed at positively moving forward in the implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action, as requested by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs in its resolution 56/10. Working groups will be invited to present their findings, conclusions and recommendations to the plenary for endorsement and inclusion in the report of the Tenth Meeting.

### **(a) Demand reduction and related measures**

Participants in the working group on demand reduction and related measures are encouraged to share information on their agency’s contribution to their respective national drug demand reduction strategies, with concrete examples of what has worked and what has proven to be challenging. Participants are invited to share lessons learned on their role in the development of demand reduction strategies and their contributions to the development of recommendations that support a comprehensive approach to reducing the demand and use of illicit drugs. The discussion is expected to cover various models aimed at reducing illicit drug demand that reflect the diversity of approaches to demand reduction, in which prevention is a common goal. Participants might, among other things, wish to discuss how law enforcement measures, resulting in reduced availability of drugs,

can be most effectively and efficiently combined with treatment and rehabilitation measures, thus resulting in healthier communities.

Participants might wish to address the following issues: Which demand reduction initiatives have you recently been involved in? What action did they entail? Have there been initiatives targeting particularly children and young people, or other vulnerable groups? Can you share experiences and good practices in strengthening cooperation and coordination with other relevant services, including health services?

**(b) Responding to changing trends in drug use, including new psychoactive substances**

Participants in the working group on responding to changing trends in drug use, including new psychoactive substances are encouraged to examine the challenges faced by the changes in illicit drug markets in response to consumers' demands. Participants are invited to share information on responses developed to changing trends in cannabis cultivation, trafficking and the impact of public attitudes to cannabis use. Participants are also invited to discuss the impact of the growth in new psychoactive substances that are not covered by the international drug conventions, and to discuss trends in trafficking, the current key data and groups responsible for the manufacture, trafficking and supply of those substances and the problems associated with identifying and dismantling sites of illicit manufacture.

Participants might wish to address the following issues: Which new trends in drug use have you come across? How have these emerging issues been addressed? Which are the major challenges? What experiences, lessons learned and good practices, including legislative response, can be shared?

**(c) Developing an effective response to illicit drug trafficking using sea containers**

Participants in the working group on developing an effective response to illicit drug trafficking using sea containers are encouraged to give priority attention to measures addressing illicit trafficking within the international trade supply chain, which requires balancing the objectives of law enforcement and the facilitation of trade. Participants will look at current trafficking trends by which sea freight containers are used to transport heroin, cocaine and precursor chemicals. Participants are invited to discuss trends in trade and transport routes used by traffickers and to discuss the functioning of existing mechanisms of the exchange of information between authorities involved. Participants are asked to present examples of investigations arising from interceptions of drugs smuggled in sea containers. Those cases will be used as a basis to discuss challenges encountered and experiences acquired and to look into opportunities for further enhancing cooperation.

Participants might wish to address the following issues: Which concrete cases on illicit drug trafficking using sea containers have you come across? Which law enforcement and investigative measures have been used? How has information been shared among the different stakeholders involved? What have been the major challenges faced? What experiences, lessons learned and good practices can be shared?

**7. Organization of the Eleventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe**

The Tenth Meeting is invited to review a draft provisional agenda for the Eleventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe, including the topics to be discussed in working groups.

Participants are also invited to discuss any other matter related to the organization of the deliberations, with a view to improving their substantive content and follow-up.

**Documentation**

Note by the Secretariat on the organization of the Eleventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe (UNODC/HONEURO/10/4)

**8. Other business**

Under the item entitled “Other business”, the Tenth Meeting may wish to address any other important issues, such as urgent matters reflected in the country reports.

**9. Adoption of the report of the Tenth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Europe**

The Tenth Meeting will adopt its report, including the conclusions and recommendations of the working groups, at its final meeting.

## Annex

### Proposed organization of work

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
<b>Tuesday, 2 July</b>		
8-10 a.m.		Registration
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		Opening
	1	Election of officers
	2	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	3	Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation
3-6 p.m.	3	Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation ( <i>continued</i> )
	4	Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Ninth Meeting
	5	Follow-up to the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem
<b>Wednesday, 3 July</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	6	Consideration of topics by working group 1
3-6 p.m.	6	Consideration of topics by working group 2
<b>Thursday, 4 July</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	6	Consideration of topics by working group 3
3-6 p.m.	6	Consideration of topics by working group 3 ( <i>continued</i> )
<b>Friday, 5 July</b>		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	7	Organization of the Eleventh Meeting
	8	Other business
	9	Adoption of the report of the Tenth Meeting
3-6 p.m.	9	Adoption of the report of the Tenth Meeting ( <i>continued</i> )