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Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East

Forty-eighth session

Vienna, 25-28 November 2013

Item 7 of the provisional agenda**

Organization of the forty-ninth session of the Subcommission

Draft provisional agenda for the forty-ninth session of the Subcommission

Note by the Secretariat

1. Representatives whose Governments wish to host the forty-ninth or subsequent sessions of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East are invited to inform the Subcommission. That information will be brought to the attention of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its fifty-seventh session, in 2014.
2. The draft provisional agenda for the forty-ninth session of the Subcommission¹ is annexed to the present note.
3. Item 4 of the provisional agenda for the forty-ninth session of the Subcommission will be devoted to the examination of the status of implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Subcommission at its forty-seventh session. In order to facilitate reporting, a questionnaire concerning action taken by Governments to implement those recommendations will be transmitted prior to the forty-ninth session.
4. At the fortieth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the view was expressed that the recommendations adopted by the meetings of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission would remain meaningless if Governments did not take action, including, where necessary, the enactment of domestic legislation, to implement those recommendations.

* Arabic, English and Russian are the working languages of the Subcommission.

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¹ To be issued subsequently as UNODC/SUBCOM/49/1.



5. States members of the Subcommittee are urged to conscientiously and promptly implement those recommendations so that an effective evaluation of their progress can be made.
6. It would be highly desirable for the Subcommittee at its forty-eighth session to identify the topics that would be most appropriate for consideration by working groups at its forty-ninth session. Alternatively, the Subcommittee may decide to request the Secretariat to informally consult Member States of the region with a view to identifying topics for consideration by working groups.

Annex

Draft provisional agenda for the forty-ninth session of the Subcommittee

1. Election of officers.
 2. Adoption of the agenda.
 3. Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation.
 4. Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Subcommittee at its forty-seventh session.
 5. Consideration of topics by working groups: [*to be determined*].
 6. 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.
 7. Organization of the fiftieth session of the Subcommittee.
 8. Other business.
 9. Adoption of the report of the Subcommittee on its forty-ninth session.
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