vene an International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking in 1987,

Aware of the intensive preparations being made for that Conference, within the United Nations system and by Governments and non-governmental organizations,

Bearing in mind that the implementation of the results of the Conference will require the best use of existing resources through the redeployment of available United Nations resources from lower priority activities or the use of voluntary contributions, and increased efforts by the United Nations, Governments, international organizations and other parties concerned to implement the recommendations of the Conference,

Taking fully into account the recommendations of the Group of High-Level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations, 35

Bearing in mind the recommendations contained in General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986,

Reaffirming its conviction of the importance of the activities of the United Nations in the field of drug abuse control

- 1. Notes with appreciation the valuable work of the United Nations drug control bodies located at Vienna;
- 2. Stresses the importance of close co-ordination between the drug control units of the United Nations;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 41/213, to continue his efforts to further improve the efficiency of the United Nations drug control bodies in order to strengthen their effectiveness in dealing with the drug problem;
- 4. Also requests the Secretary-General to provide adequate financial information about current and future drug control activities so that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs can make recommendations on priorities on the basis of all relevant information;
- 5. Further requests the Secretary-General, in order to strengthen the activities and existing mechanisms of the United Nations in the area of international control of drug abuse and illicit trafficking, and with a view to the implementation of the follow-up activities of the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, to give this sector priority, as a matter of urgency, in the allocation of available United Nations resources;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, at its next session, an analysis of practical ways and means of implementing the results of the Conference, through the United Nations system, bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 41/213.

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## 1987/30. Improvement of the control of international trade in psychotropic substances listed in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1985/15 of 28 May 1985 and 1986/8 of 21 May 1986,

Having considered the report of the International Control Board for 1986, 36 especially that part concerned with

trade in psychotropic substances,

Recognizing with concern that the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances<sup>37</sup> does not require import and export authorizations for international trade in substances listed in Schedules III and IV, thus facilitating the diversion of some of those substances into illicit channels,

Concerned that this lack of a treaty obligation makes it difficult for the competent authorities of both exporting and importing countries to prevent shipments of substances prohibited under article 13 of the Convention,

Bearing in mind that the International Narcotics Control Board needs relevant information in order to monitor effectively the international trade in substances listed in Schedules III and IV,

- 1. Reiterates its request to all Governments, to the extent possible, voluntarily to extend the system of import and export authorizations provided for in article 12, paragraph 1, of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances to cover international trade in substances listed in Schedules III and IV;
- 2. Requests all Governments to establish, in any event, mechanisms for monitoring exports of substances listed in Schedules III and IV and to take the necessary steps to alert importing countries, in advance, of shipments that may be a cause of concern;
- 3. Also requests all Governments, to the extent possible, voluntarily to furnish information to the International Narcotics Control Board on the countries of origin of imports and the countries of destination of exports of substances listed in Schedules III and IV;
- 4. Further requests all Governments that have decided to prohibit the import of substances listed in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances to notify the Secretary-General of this decision, in accordance with article 13, paragraph 1, of the Convention;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to all Governments for their consideration and implementation.

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## 1987/31. Demand and supply of opiates for medical and scientific needs

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1979/8 of 9 May 1979, 1980/20 of 30 April 1980, 1981/8 of 6 May 1981, 1982/12 of 30 April 1982, 1983/3 of 24 May 1983, 1984/21 of 24 May 1984, 1985/16 of 28 May 1985 and 1986/9 of 21 May 1986,

Bearing in mind the supplement to the report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 1980 on demand and supply of opiates for medical and scientific needs<sup>38</sup> and the recommendations contained therein, as well as the special report on the same subject prepared by the Board in 1985, <sup>59</sup>

Having considered the report of the Board for 1986,<sup>36</sup> in particular paragraphs 38 to 42 on the demand for and supply of opiates for medical and scientific purposes, as well as the report of the Board on statistics on narcotic drugs for 1985,<sup>40</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/41/49).

<sup>36</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. E.86.X1.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1019, No. 14956, p. 175.

<sup>38</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. E.82.X1.4.

<sup>39</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.XI.7.

<sup>40</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. E.86.XI.1