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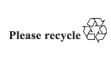
## **Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East Fifty-third session**

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## Report on the world situation with regard to drug trafficking

## Note by the Secretariat

Pursuant to article 18 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 and article 16 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971, the Secretariat prepared for 2018 a report on the world situation with regard to drug trafficking, contained in document E/CN.7/2018/5, which is being made available to the fifty-third session of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East. The report presents major findings on global and regional trends in illicit drug trafficking and seizures, utilizing the statistical information available to the Secretariat.







<sup>\*</sup> Available only in Arabic, English and Russian, which are the working languages of the subsidiary body.

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