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strengthening of central authorities**

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Note by the Secretariat

**Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on Trafficking in Persons held in
Vienna on 12 and 13 October 2021 and on 29 and 30 June 2022**

1. Pursuant to Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto decision 4/4, on trafficking in persons, an open-ended interim working group was established to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate with regard to the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
2. In its resolution 7/1, on strengthening the implementation of the Convention and the Protocols thereto, the Conference decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on Trafficking in Persons would be a constant element of the Conference, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference.
3. The Working Group on Trafficking in Persons held its eleventh meeting on 12 and 13 October 2021 and its twelfth meeting on 29 and 30 June 2022. In accordance with Conference resolution 7/1, the reports on those meetings

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([CTOC/COP/WG.4/2021/6](#) and [CTOC/COP/WG.4/2022/4](#), respectively) will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.

Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants held in Vienna on 14 and 15 October 2021 and on 27 and 28 June 2022

4. Pursuant to Conference of the Parties resolution 5/3, on the implementation of the Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, an open-ended intergovernmental interim working group on the smuggling of migrants was established to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate with regard to the Smuggling of Migrants Protocol.

5. In its resolution 7/1, the Conference decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants would be a constant element of the Conference, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference.

6. The Working Group on the Smuggling of Migrants held its eighth meeting on 14 and 15 October 2021 and its ninth meeting on 27 and 28 June 2022. In accordance with Conference resolution 7/1, the reports on those meetings ([CTOC/COP/WG.7/2021/5](#) and [CTOC/COP/WG.7/2022/4](#), respectively) will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.

Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on Firearms held in Vienna from 10 to 12 May 2021 and on 4 and 5 May 2022

7. Pursuant to Conference of the Parties resolution 5/4, on the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, an open-ended intergovernmental working group on firearms was established to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate with regard to the Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

8. In its resolution 7/1, the Conference decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on Firearms would be a constant element of the Conference, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference.

9. The Working Group on Firearms held its eighth meeting from 10 to 12 May 2021 and its ninth meeting on 4 and 5 May 2022. In accordance with Conference resolution 7/1, the reports on those meetings ([CTOC/COP/WG.6/2021/4](#) and [CTOC/COP/WG.6/2022/4](#), respectively) will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.

Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on International Cooperation held in Vienna on 25 and 26 March 2021 and from 23 to 27 May 2022

10. Pursuant to Conference of the Parties decision 3/2, on the implementation of the provisions on international cooperation in the Convention, an open-ended working group on international cooperation was established as a constant element of the Conference. This decision was reaffirmed consistently in subsequent resolutions of the Conference.

11. In its resolution [7/1](#), the Conference, inter alia, encouraged the Working Group on International Cooperation and the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance to consider meeting on an annual basis, as needed, and to hold their meetings consecutively, in order to ensure the effective use of resources.

12. In its resolution 10/6, on preventing and combating crimes that affect the environment falling within the scope of the Organized Crime Convention, the Conference requested the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance and the Working Group on International Cooperation to hold a joint thematic discussion on the application of the Convention for preventing and

combating transnational organized crimes that affect the environment and to make recommendations for consideration by the Conference at its eleventh session, within their mandates, in order to promote the practical application of the Convention.

13. The Working Group on International Cooperation held its twelfth meeting on 25 and 26 March 2021 and its thirteenth meeting from 23 to 27 May 2022, back to back with the thirteenth meeting of the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance, with a joint thematic discussion in accordance with Conference resolution 10/6. The reports on those meetings ([CTOC/COP/WG.3/2021/3](#) and [CTOC/COP/WG.2/2022/4-CTOC/COP/WG.3/2022/4](#), respectively) will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.

Report on the meeting of the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance held in Vienna from 23 to 27 May 2022

14. In its decision 2/6, on technical assistance activities, the Conference of the Parties established an open-ended interim working group of government experts on technical assistance.

15. In its resolution 7/1, the Conference, inter alia, encouraged the Working Group on International Cooperation and the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance to consider meeting on an annual basis, as needed, and to hold their meetings consecutively, in order to ensure the effective use of resources.

16. In its resolution 10/6, the Conference requested the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance and the Working Group on International Cooperation to hold a joint thematic discussion on the application of the Convention for preventing and combating transnational organized crimes that affect the environment and to make recommendations for consideration by the Conference at its eleventh session, within their mandates, in order to promote the practical application of the Convention.

17. The thirteenth meeting of the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance was held from 23 to 27 May 2022, back to back with the thirteenth meeting of the Working Group on International Cooperation, with a joint thematic discussion in accordance with Conference resolution 10/6. The report on the meeting ([CTOC/COP/WG.2/2022/4-CTOC/COP/WG.3/2022/4](#)) will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.

Report on the sixty-fifth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, held in Vienna from 14 to 18 March 2022

18. The Commission on Narcotic Drugs held its sixty-fifth session from 14 to 18 March 2022. In its resolution 65/2, on strengthening international cooperation to address the links between illicit drug trafficking and illicit firearms trafficking, the Commission requested the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to make the resolution available to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and to the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. The report on the sixty-fifth session ([E/2022/28-E/CN.7/2022/14](#)), which contains the resolution, will be made available to the Conference at its eleventh session.