

**1989/17. Special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2001 (LX) of 12 May 1976,

*Recognizing* that the complex health, legal, social and human problems associated with drug abuse require the continuous attention of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

*Aware* of the need for the Commission to consider urgently further measures that may be required to facilitate the entry into force of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances<sup>29</sup> or, if the Convention has entered into force in the interim, the measures required to ensure implementation of its provisions; to consider any urgent questions relating to the possible scheduling of substances under the provisions of the international drug control treaties, following receipt of recommendations to that effect from the World Health Organization; and to consider appropriate action to improve regional co-operation in drug law enforcement.

*Decides* that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs shall hold a special session of five working days in 1990 at a time when it will not overlap with other meetings and within existing United Nations resources, for the following purposes:

(a) To consider urgently further measures that may be required to facilitate the entry into force of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances or, if the Convention has entered into force in the interim, the measures required to ensure implementation of its provisions;

(b) To consider any urgent questions relating to the possible scheduling of substances under the provisions of the international drug control treaties, following receipt of recommendations to that effect from the World Health Organization;

(c) To consider appropriate action to improve regional co-operation in drug law enforcement;

(d) To consider the report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 1989, an interim report from the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, and other relevant matters requiring urgent attention.

*12th plenary meeting  
22 May 1989*