

1989/19. Provisional application of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Final Act of the United Nations Conference for the Adoption of a Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, adopted at Vienna on 19 December 1988,³¹

Recalling also resolution 2 of the Conference contained in the Final Act, the purpose of which was to seek early ratification of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, so that its implementation by States parties might begin at the earliest possible time,

Taking into account the urgency for States to employ all legal means available to them in the effort to curb drug trafficking, including the measures defined in the new Convention,

1. *Urges* States, to the extent that they are able to do so, to accelerate steps to ratify the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances so that it may enter into force as soon as possible;

2. *Invites* States, to the extent that they are able to do so, to apply provisionally the measures set out in the Convention pending its entry into force for each of them;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to all Governments.

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