

Resolution

2010/20

**Support for the development and implementation
of an integrated approach to programme development
at the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime**

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 63/197 of 18 December 2008, entitled “International cooperation against the world drug problem”, and Assembly resolution 64/179 of 18 December 2009, entitled “Strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity”,

Recalling also the strategy for the period 2008–2011 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime,¹ which provides a clear framework for the work of the Office,

Recalling further its resolution 2009/23 of 30 July 2009, entitled “Support for the development and implementation of the regional programmes of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime”,

1. *Welcomes* the report on regional programmes and the progress made in developing an integrated programme approach, comprising thematic and regional programmes for the delivery of the normative and technical assistance mandates of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* for the increased national ownership and participation that the regional programmes have garnered, and encourages Member States in other subregions to engage with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in the preparation of similar, subregional programmes;

3. *Encourages* Member States to support the regional and thematic programmes of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime through unearmarked voluntary contributions, whenever possible, and thereby to support national ownership and regional prioritization;

4. *Welcomes* the advances in the implementation of the Santo Domingo Pact and Managua Mechanism interregional initiative;

¹ Resolution 2007/12, annex.

5. *Looks forward* to the results of the implementation of the regional programmes for East Asia and the Pacific, South-Eastern Europe, Central America and the Caribbean, and Eastern Africa;

6. *Welcomes* the holding in Cairo, from 27 to 29 April 2010, of the regional expert meeting organized by the League of Arab States in partnership with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, and with the support of the Government of Egypt, on drug control, crime prevention and criminal justice reform in the Arab States, in order to prepare a regional programme for the period 2011–2015;

7. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue with the development of regional programmes in 2010;

8. *Notes* the increased coherence of the regional and thematic programmes, with a view to achieving the simplification of implementation modalities;

9. *Supports* the work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in leading the development of the integrated programme approach;

10. *Encourages* Member States, where appropriate, to draw on the technical assistance activities outlined in the regional programmes of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and to use the regional programmes as a vehicle to increase regional cooperation for thematic strategies;

11. *Encourages* bilateral and multilateral aid agencies and financial institutions to continue to support the implementation of regional programmes of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime;

12. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue giving high priority and support to the implementation of the integrated programme approach through the promotion of the regional and thematic programmes, and to report on progress made in such implementation to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its twentieth session, in the first half of 2011, and to share the report with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its fifty-fourth session.

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22 July 2010*