

ECOSOC Decision 2008/247

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-first session and provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-second session of the Commission

At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 24 July 2008, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-first session¹ and approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-second session of the Commission set out below:

Provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

Documentation

Provisional agenda, annotations and provisional programme of work

Normative segment

3. Thematic debate (*theme and sub-themes to be identified*).
4. Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly: general overview and progress achieved by Governments in meeting the goals and targets for the years 2003 and 2008 set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the Assembly at its twentieth special session.

Documentation

Reports of the Secretariat (*as necessary*)

5. Drug demand reduction:
 - (a) Action Plan for the Implementation of the Declaration on the Guiding Principles of Drug Demand Reduction;
 - (b) World situation with regard to drug abuse.

Documentation

Report of the Secretariat

6. Illicit drug traffic and supply:
 - (a) World situation with regard to drug trafficking and action taken by subsidiary bodies of the Commission;
 - (b) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly:

¹ Ibid., *Supplement No. 8* (E/2008/28).

- (i) Measures to promote judicial cooperation (extradition, mutual legal assistance, controlled delivery, trafficking by sea and law enforcement cooperation, including training);
- (ii) Countering money-laundering;
- (iii) Action Plan on International Cooperation on the Eradication of Illicit Drug Crops and on Alternative Development.

Documentation

Reports of the Secretariat

- 7. Implementation of the international drug control treaties:
 - (a) Changes in the scope of control of substances;
 - (b) International Narcotics Control Board;
 - (c) International cooperation to ensure the availability of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for medical and scientific purposes;
 - (d) Follow-up to the twentieth special session of the General Assembly:
 - (i) Measures to prevent the illicit manufacture, import, export, trafficking, distribution and diversion of precursors used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
 - (ii) Action Plan against Illicit Manufacture, Trafficking and Abuse of Amphetamine-type Stimulants and Their Precursors;
 - (e) Other matters arising from the international drug control treaties.

Documentation

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2008

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2008 on the implementation of article 12 of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988

Notes by the Secretariat (*as necessary*)

Operational segment

- 8. Policy directives to the drug programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director

- 9. Strengthening the United Nations machinery for drug control.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director

10. Administrative and budgetary questions.

Documentation

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High-level segment

11. Opening of the high-level segment.
12. General debate of the high-level segment: review of the progress achieved and the difficulties encountered by Member States in meeting the goals and targets set out in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session; challenges for the future.
13. Round-table discussions of the high-level segment:
 - (a) Current and emerging challenges, new trends and patterns of the world drug problem and possible improvements to the evaluation system;
 - (b) Strengthening international cooperation in countering the world drug problem using shared responsibility as a basis for an integrated, comprehensive, balanced and sustainable approach in the fight against drugs through domestic and international policies;
 - (c) Demand reduction, treatment and preventive policies and practices;
 - (d) Countering illicit drug traffic and supply, and alternative development.
14. Outcome of the high-level segment.
15. Closure of the high-level segment.
16. Provisional agenda for the fifty-third session of the Commission.
17. Other business.
18. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-second session.