Commission: Drugs and Crime

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QUESTION OF: REDUCING THE GLOBAL SALE OF ILLICIT DRUGS

The General Assembly,

<u>Alarmed</u> that the number of people using drugs is rising despite the ratification of the 1988 United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances,

<u>Grieved</u> by the significant impact of illicit drug trade on public health, with some consequences being chronic diseases and an exacerbation of mental disorders, and an estimated statistic of 500,000 drug-related deaths globally, according to the UNODC World Drug Report 2020,

<u>Deeply concerned</u> by the fact that global security and stability is disarrayed through transnational crime, narco-related gangs and violence,

<u>Noting with concern</u> that corruption is deeply rooted in various branches across multiple nations, punitive measures are taken whilst overlooking root causes, thus the War on Drugs is failing considerably,

<u>Expressing deep concern</u> that the juvenile population from lower classes are being recruited in narco-terrorist organisations, thus affecting the social and economic stability of several countries,

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- 1. <u>Requests</u> that border patrols be further enforced and strengthened through the aid of the police force, legal authorities and other relevant personnel;
- 2. <u>Encourages</u> Member States to establish and implement an adequate mechanism for the identification, detection, confiscation, safe handling and disposal of illicit drugs through technological devices;
- 3. <u>Recommends</u> the introduction of awareness programmes such as the "Say No to Drugs" campaign targeted towards youngsters and implementing drug education programs;
- 4. <u>Urges</u> licensing systems that focus on tackling illicit trade which can help in regulating the population's drug consumption;
- 5. <u>Calls upon</u> Member States to implement laws to criminalise the illicit trade of drugs, which should be backed up with adequate enforcement and meaningful penalties;
- 6. <u>Encourages</u> all Member States to set up rehabilitation programs to support victims rather than use punitive measures which violates human rights;
- 7. <u>Appeals</u> to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to help to strengthen the judicial and regulatory institutions to effectively combat drug trafficking and related crimes.