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## Technical assistance to support the effective implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

The Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption,

Recalling its resolutions 6/1 of 6 November 2015 and 3/1 and 3/4 of 13 November 2009,

Acknowledging that the fight against all forms of corruption requires comprehensive anti-corruption regulatory frameworks and strong institutions at all levels.

Recalling its resolution 4/1 of 28 October 2011, in which it recommended that all States parties, where applicable, in their responses to the comprehensive self-assessment checklists on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, <sup>1</sup> identify technical assistance requirements,

Welcoming the promotion of anti-corruption technical assistance as a component of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development<sup>2</sup> and for the purpose of promoting peaceful and inclusive societies, providing access to justice for all and building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels,

Recognizing the pivotal role that technical assistance plays in the effective implementation of the Convention,

Welcoming the update on the technical assistance needs identified by States parties through the review process provided to the Implementation Review Group at its eighth session, held in Vienna from 19 to 23 June 2017,

Acknowledging that a large number of States parties continue to request technical assistance for the implementation of the Convention,

Recognizing the importance of coordination among and between States parties, donors and technical assistance providers and recipient countries, and recognizing also the value of internationally recognized assessment instruments in order to









<sup>\*</sup> CAC/COSP/2017/1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 2349, No. 42146.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> General Assembly resolution 70/1.

leverage resources, increase efficiency, avoid overlap and duplication of effort and meet the needs of recipient countries,

Reaffirming its endorsement of country-led and country-based, integrated and coordinated technical assistance programme delivery as an effective vehicle for furthering the implementation of the Convention, pursuant to its resolution 3/4 of 13 November 2009,

Acknowledging the important role and contributions of non-government stakeholders in the provision of technical assistance,

- 1. Urges States parties and other donors to generate and disseminate knowledge on the substantive aspects related to the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption<sup>1</sup> and to continue providing technical assistance to requesting States parties;
- 2. Also urges States parties and other donors to exchange expertise, experiences and lessons learned with respect to providing technical assistance in the areas of combating and preventing corruption in relation to the implementation of the Convention;
- 3. Reaffirms the importance of addressing the technical assistance priorities identified in the country reviews, and invites technical assistance providers to consider those priorities either for new technical assistance programmes or for incorporation into ongoing programmes;
- 4. Encourages States parties, donors and technical assistance providers to use the Convention and, as appropriate, other internationally recognized regional assessment instruments, as a framework to facilitate technical assistance programme design and delivery through country-level dialogue;
- 5. Encourages the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to enhance dialogue with bilateral and multilateral assistance providers and donors to share good practices and needs identified through the review process;
- 6. Requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue, in close cooperation with multilateral and bilateral assistance providers, to provide technical assistance to States parties, in particular developing countries, upon request and subject to extrabudgetary resources, with a view to advancing the implementation of the Convention:
- 7. *Invites* States parties, in completing the self-assessment checklist, to clearly identify technical assistance needs required for the implementation of the articles of the Convention and the nature of any technical assistance already being provided;
- 8. Urges States parties to publish their country review reports on the relevant section of either their own official website or that of the Convention, accompanied by the review reports of other anti-corruption review mechanisms that the State party is subject to, if any, in order to facilitate dissemination of information about potential technical assistance needs;
- 9. Encourages States parties under review and the Secretariat, upon request, to consider coordinating the official in-country publication and launch of final country review reports in an effort to inform both local representatives of international, bilateral and multilateral technical assistance providers and donors, and individuals and groups outside the public sector, such as civil society, non-governmental organizations and community-based organizations, about the technical assistance needs identified in the country reviews;
- 10. Encourages States parties to incorporate the recommendations contained in the review reports into their national anti-corruption strategies and accompanying implementation plans, including identification of priority technical assistance needs for donors;

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- 11. Urges States parties and other donors to continue to provide resources for the assistance efforts of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in order to further the implementation of the Convention, and to continue to provide coordinated assistance through other existing channels, including relevant international and regional organizations and bilateral assistance programmes;
- 12. Encourages States parties and other national, regional and international donors to accord high priority to anti-corruption technical assistance in order to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention in a sustainable and coordinated manner that ensures complementarity of programmes and avoids duplication of effort;
- 13. Requests States parties to provide the Implementation Review Group with detailed information on the current, anticipated and unmet technical assistance needs identified on a country-by-country basis through the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption in order to inform the provision of technical assistance at the in-country level;
- 14. Requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to take into account the priority areas for technical assistance identified throughout the course of the Implementation Review Mechanism in the development and revisions of its thematic, regional and country programmes;
- 15. Encourages States parties to include non-governmental stakeholders, including the private sector, in the identification of technical assistance needs and the development of technical assistance programmes and activities, as appropriate;
- 16. *Invites* States parties and other donors to provide extrabudgetary resources for the purposes identified in the present resolution, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations.

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