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V. Conclusions and recommendations

1. The Working Group acknowledged the progress that had been made in the implementation of Conference resolution 6/6 and underlined the need to maintain those efforts.

2. The Working Group recommended that the Conference of the States Parties, at its seventh session, should consider deciding that the Working Group should continue its work and hold two meetings before the eighth session of the Conference.

3. The Working Group recommended to the Conference of the States Parties to adopt a multi-year work plan for the Working Group, while recognizing that there will be room within the Group's agenda to add topics of discussion or to amend those being suggested. Such flexibility should take into account the goal of maximizing the cross-fertilization of the discussions held by the Working Group on Prevention and the Implementation Review Group.

4. The Working Group welcomed the work of the Secretariat in performing the functions of an international observatory gathering information on good practices in preventing corruption and making it available online on the thematic web page of the Working Group and requested it to continue its efforts to gather information on good practices by States on anti-corruption initiatives.

5. The Working Group also urged States parties to continue using the information available online on the thematic web page of the Working Group on policies, practices and measures implemented to prevent corruption, including how they strengthen the integrity of criminal justice institutions and anti-corruption education. Moreover, the Working Group encouraged States parties to continue sharing information on their efforts to prevent corruption with the Secretariat, to be published on the thematic web pages of the Working Group.

6. The Working Group acknowledged the progress that had been made by States parties in strengthening integrity and addressing risks of corruption in criminal justice institutions and underlined the need to maintain these efforts and to assist States parties in overcoming related difficulties.

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7. The Working Group recommended that States parties should consider taking appropriate legislative, administrative and capacity-building measures to promote cooperation, coordination and the exchange of information among relevant criminal justice institutions, in order to prevent corruption more efficiently and effectively.

8. The Working Group acknowledged the progress that has been made by the States parties in promoting awareness-raising measures and education throughout all sectors of society, and underlined the importance of paying special attention to working with young people and children as part of a strategy to prevent corruption.

9. The Working group recognized the demonstrated success and engagement of States parties in the ACAD and E4J initiatives and underlined the importance of the continuous engagement of UNODC in these projects, including by hosting dedicated websites and facilitating exchanges between academics and teachers on anti-corruption education in universities and schools.

10. The Working Group recognized the efforts of the Secretariat in supporting States parties to implement the Convention and requested UNODC to continue providing technical assistance, upon request, in coordination with bilateral and multilateral technical assistance providers, particularly in developing countries.

11. The Working Group underlined the urgency of providing sufficient extrabudgetary resources to UNODC to provide such technical assistance, and called upon States parties and other donors to reconfirm their commitment to the prevention of corruption, for example, through the provision of soft-earmarked and multi-year financial contributions.

VI. Adoption of the report

12. On 23 August 2017, the Working Group adopted the report on its eighth meeting.