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Addendum

Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Subcommission at its fiftieth session

- 1. At its 1st meeting, on 13 November 2017, the Subcommission considered item 4 of its agenda, entitled "Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Subcommission at its fiftieth session". For its consideration of the item, the Subcommission had before it a note by the Secretariat on the implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Subcommission at its fiftieth session (UNODC/SUBCOM/52/4) on the basis of information provided by Governments in response to a questionnaire sent to all States participating in the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East. As of 6 September 2017, replies had been received from the Governments of Egypt, Jordan, Pakistan, Qatar, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. Since that date, completed questionnaires had been submitted by Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Tajikistan.
- 2. The Secretary of the Subcommission introduced the agenda item. Statements were made by the representatives of Lebanon and Saudi Arabia. The Central Asian Regional Information and Coordination Centre for Combating the Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances and Their Precursors (CARICC) also made a statement.
- 3. The representatives of Lebanon and Saudi Arabia referred to new dynamics of and current trends in the region's illicit drug markets, including trafficking in cocaine from South America, the manufacture of captagon in some countries of the region and its smuggling through new routes. The observer of CARICC referred to the increase in new psychoactive substances in the region.

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